The Oregon Reproductive Health Program Newsletter

Important Information—please read & share

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2015 Federal Poverty Level (FPL) Guidelines

Newly revised FPL charts are attached for your agency’s use in assessing clients for CCare eligibility and the Title X sliding fee scale. The new guidelines go into effect March 1, 2015. If you have any questions, please contact Rachel Linz at 971-673-0358 or Rachel.s.linz@state.or.us.

Program Manual Changes

CVR Manual Revision (Section D)

In response to questions regarding how to complete Section 7A: Client Testing Dates for visits in which a Chlamydia or Pap test is being performed, we have clarified the instructions in the CVR Manual. When completing a CVR for a visit in which a Chlamydia or Pap test is being performed, please enter the client’s most recent test dates PRIOR to that day’s visit. If the client does not know when she last received a Pap or Chlamydia test, check box 2-Unknown. The revised CVR Manual can be found here, the revision is on page D3-5. If you have questions about the CVR instructions, please contact Rachel Linz at 971-673-0358 or Rachel.s.linz@state.or.us.

CVR Error Messages Update (Section D, Exhibit 8)

It recently came to our attention that a CVR is rejected if Section 7A: Client Testing Dates is left blank. We have updated the CVR Error Messages cheat sheet (Exhibit D-8) to reflect this information.

Updated Vasectomy Information (Sub-Section A7)

In preparation for the announcement of our new traveling vasectomist (see Page 2!) we have updated the vasectomy information in the Program Manual, and added new forms as exhibits in Section A. Please review the material prior to contacting the new vasectomist.

To download the new/revised pages and exhibits see the Manual Change Log!

Teen Pregnancy in Oregon: The Good News

Oregon’s use of evidence-based recommendations and programs has clearly made an impact. Read this CD summary about Oregon’s success in reducing teen pregnancy.
**Traveling Vasectomist, Dr. Foutz**

The Oregon RH Program is pleased to announce that we (finally) have a contract with a traveling vasectomist - Dr. Steven Foutz, from Grants Pass, Oregon!! Dr. Foutz has been practicing family medicine in Grants Pass for 23 years and performing vasectomies for the Planned Parenthood of Southwestern Oregon for 10 years. He is excited for the opportunity to offer his services throughout Oregon and to start working with you!

OVP related information is located on our webpage under Additional Provider Resources. There, you will find the slides from the webinar we hosted in January, the Services Rendered Form, the Vasectomy Referral Form, the OVP Services Flow, etc. Additionally, there are three sample CVRs with OVP as the Source of Pay, including one for the Vasectomy Referral Fee.

To schedule appointments with Dr. Foutz, please contact his Office Manager, Pam Buschke at (541) 474-2944. And if you have any questions about the program, contact Alison Babich at (971) 673-0227 or Alison.a.babich@state.or.us.

**New CCO Incentive Measure for Effective Contraceptive Use**

This week, the Statewide CCO Learning Collaborative met to discuss the new CCO incentive measure for effective contraceptive use (ECU). We are very excited about this new measure, and hope you will be too, particularly since you are the experts in counseling women on effective contraceptive use. Given that the metric for this CCO incentive is set at 50% for 2015, and CY14 client visit data show that 86% of RH clients statewide are already using an effective contraceptive, local reproductive health programs are well positioned to help CCOs meet or exceed this metric. In fact, you or your agency may be contacted by your regional CCO(s) to talk about ways your entities can collaborate to meet this metric for ECU. Visit the OHA website to learn more about the CCO incentive measure for ECU, including the Guidance Document. To view the presentations from the CCO Learning Collaborative, click here.
Nothing Says You Care Like a CCare Valentine’s Day Card!

These cards are fun, not risqué or sappy, share them with clients and make them happy! These 4.25” x 5.50” colorful cards come in 8.5” x 11” sheets that are perforated for easy separation (see attached). They continue to be popular both for Valentine’s Day and throughout year at community events. Our stock is limited and may not be available much longer. So don’t delay, order yours today! Contact Judy Andreasen to order your cards at Judith.andreasen@state.or.us or (971) 673-0355.

Upcoming Nexplanon Training: Portland

Merck is offering a Nexplanon training for MD/DOs, NPs, PAs or CNMs and Residents authorized to perform the procedures. The training will be held Tuesday, March 10 in Portland. See the attached registration form for more information.

Webinar Series: Putting Quality Family Planning (QFP) Recommendations into Practice

The Family Planning National Training Centers are pleased to announce an online series for clinic managers, administrators, nurses, counselors, educators, medical assistants, and other clinic support staff. This FREE series consists of eight trainings that will help you put the Quality Family Planning (QFP) recommendations into practice. During the next few months, each session of the series will focus on a different aspect of the QFP recommendations. This series will enable staff to:

- Determine a client's need for a range of services and their reproductive life plan.
- Provide counseling on contraception, pregnancy testing, achieving pregnancy and basic infertility, sexually transmitted infections, preconception health, related preventive health and referrals.

Continuing Education credit will be available for these events.
5th Annual Women and Girl’s Health Fair

In celebration of National Women and Girls HIV/AIDS Awareness Day, Cascade AIDS Project, OHA, and other community organizations are co-sponsoring the 5th Annual Women and Girl’s Health Fair from Friday, February 27th to Sunday, March 1st.

Friday will feature two FREE provider workshops, with a complimentary lunch, addressing cultural competence within sexual health care, at the Portland Community College, Cascade campus—705 N. Killingsworth St., Portland 97217. Click here to register.

**Sexual Concurrency, HIV Transmission and HIV Disparities**, Michele Andrasik
Time: 9:30-12:00
Due to structural factors, including highly disproportionate incarceration rates, violence, and social networks, Black populations are more likely to have a higher percentage of overlapping sexual partnerships (concurrency). Mathematical models show that even small changes in sexual concurrency can have a dramatic impact on HIV transmission. This workshop will illustrate the connections between concurrent sexual relationships and HIV transmission, and social and structural factors implicated in existing HIV disparities.

**Reducing Implicit Bias**, John Lenssen
Time: 1:00-4:00
Implicit biases are commonly held and, if unexamined, lead to continuing practices that marginalize and exclude people who are oppressed and targets of negative stereotypes. This workshop will examine implicit bias and how it is learned and perpetuated; and explore ways to unlearn implicit bias (and overt bias), and to mitigate the impact of implicit bias in hiring, partnerships, outreach, and service delivery. We will also examine systems change and personal change.

A full day health fair will be held on Saturday with free public workshops for youth and adults with health screenings and meals provided. To see full details visit the website: [http://www.womenandgirlsconference.org/](http://www.womenandgirlsconference.org/).
Quality Family Planning Recommendation: Resources to Support Implementation

This guide offers a snapshot of resources that support the Title X community in implementing Quality Family Planning Services (QFP). The guide includes both national training center (NTC) resources that are currently available (as of January 12, 2015), and those planned for release in 2015. As new resources are launched, they will become available on the Family Planning NTC website at http://fpntc.org.

Health IT Grants

We are excited to announce that over 20 agencies have been granted HIT funds to support projects related to Electronic Health Record implementation. Approved projects vary from improving hardware like desktops and server space, all the way to implementing a new EHR system! We are glad to have the ability to support the increased utilization of EHR in our provider network. Congratulations to those agencies, and we look forward to hearing your successes in improving your ability to serve clients with quality family planning services!

U.S. Medical Eligibility Criteria for Contraceptive Use

This FREE slide presentation enhances health care provider knowledge about the US MEC, an evidence-based source of clinical guidance for the safe use of contraceptive methods by women and men with various characteristics and medical conditions. The goal of the presentation is to help health care providers apply the US MEC as they counsel women, men, and couples about contraceptive method choice. Continuing Education Credits are available. For more information, click here.
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