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FPEP

Oregon FP Program News

New Family Planning Program Manuals Available!

Our Family Planning Program Manual, which contains detailed policy & procedure information for the whole program, was recently updated and reprinted. The manual covers:

- Overall program administration and policy
- Title X regulations and requirements
- FPEP operations and policy
- The Oregon CVR
- Region X Infertility Prevention Program guidelines

Information that changes frequently (e.g. supply reimbursement maximums, or the annual FPL guidelines) is included as Exhibits after each section so that you can easily replace pages when updates are made.

Family Planning Coordinators who attended last week's statewide meeting picked up a physical copy of the manual for each one of their clinic sites. If your FP Coordinator was unable to attend, you should receive your copy in the mail soon.

Sterilization

During our recent FPEP review, the Federal CMS auditor made us aware of some potential mistakes or omissions on our Consent for Sterilization forms that would result in compliance findings during a sterilization review. Specifically, she emphasized the following three points:

- 1) Fill in all sections and blank lines of the report - don't leave anything blank.
- 2) The sterilization procedure should be scheduled no less than 30 days after the date the consent form was signed (i.e., the date the form is signed is Day 0, the following day is Day 1, etc.).
- 3) The name of the physician or provider who will perform the sterilization procedure (left middle portion of the consent form) must match the signature of the physician or provider on the bottom right portion of the consent form. If a different physician or provider is scheduled to do the procedure after the consent was signed, then the client must consent to the "new provider" by signing a second Consent for Sterilization form with both the "new" provider's name and signature on the form. This second Consent for Sterilization should be attached to the first signed form. The 30-day wait period remains relative to the date of the first original consent form.

A sample completed Consent for Sterilization form is attached for your reference.

Passport Cards Are Acceptable Proof of U.S. Citizenship

In July, the Department of State began producing Passport Cards, wallet-sized cards that are issued using the very same criteria as regular passports but that are valid only for land and sea travel to Canada, Mexico, the Caribbean and Bermuda. (See this website for more information:

http://travel.state.gov/passport/ppt_card/ppt_card_3926.html).

Passport Cards may be used as Tier 1 proof of citizenship and identify for FPEP eligibility. If a client presents a Passport Card as proof of citizenship, record it in the FPEP Eligibility Database just as you would a regular passport. Ahlers is updating the Eligibility Database so that the first option under Tier 1 reads "U.S. Passport or Passport Card," and we have updated the FPEP Citizenship and ID Document Checklist to reflect this change.



Oregon DHS Public Health, Office of Family Health, Reproductive Health Section
Updates and select attachments can be accessed on the Web at <http://oregon.gov/DHS/ph/fp/updates.shtml>

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Training and Education

RH 2009! It's official! - - MARK Your 2009 Calendar!!

WHEN: Wednesday, March 25 – Friday 27, 2009

WHERE: Embassy Suites – Portland Downtown in Portland, Oregon

The RH2009 Planning Committee is in the midst of planning our 38th annual reproductive health conference (RH2009) for clinicians, community educators, counselors, clinic managers and program administrators.

Please MARK your 2009 calendar and forward this newsletter to anyone who might be interested in attending.

This 3-day conference provides high quality continuing education and clinical updates that are evidence-based and focused on best practices. This conference (and pre-conferences on Tuesday, March 24th) will include clinical, educational and clinic/program management sessions.

This annual northwest RH conference is known for its outstanding faculty and important topic updates on contraceptives, STD/HIV assessment and treatment and a broad range of related clinical, psychosocial and program management issues. Clinicians, health care providers, educators and managers find this event an excellent opportunity to update their knowledge and skills, in addition to being able to share and network with colleagues from around our region.

More information about individual session topics and speakers will be posted on the Center for Health Training website in December 2008. Registration will begin January 2009. Visit www.centerforhealthtraining.org.

We look forward to seeing you in Portland, Oregon...March 2009!

SAVE THE DATE!

The Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force is hosting the next Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) Training March 26-20, 2009 at Providence St. Vincent Hospital in Beaverton, Oregon. For more information, please visit <http://www.oregonsatf.org> or contact SANE Program Coordinator, Patti Kenyon, at 503-990-6541 or pattikenyon@oregonsatf.org.

Resources

Family Planning, HIV/AIDS & STIs, and Gender Matrix: A Tool for Youth Reproductive Health Programming

This attached matrix can assist technical experts, program managers, health providers, peer educators and others to determine what topics and interventions best fit into their own respective programs while taking cultural paradigms into consideration. The depth of each topic should be viewed within the context of a continuous process, wherein a young person's knowledge base continues to evolve as they pass through each progressive age group. Although the topics may be the same, the information provided will differ by age. The tool can be applied in any setting or program serving youth such as schools, outreach and peer education programs, community-based youth services or youth-friendly clinics.

Integrating Reproductive Health and Family Planning into Youth Development Programs

This document provides a strategic framework for youth reproductive health (YRH) and family planning (FP) and its integration into youth development programs. This framework can be adapted to the local context of any program.