

Program Element #10: Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Case Management Services

1. Description.

Resources provided under this Agreement for this Program Element may only be used, in accordance with and subject to the requirements and limitations set forth below, to deliver Sexually Transmitted Disease Case Management Services to protect the health of Oregonians from infectious disease and to prevent the long-term adverse consequences of failing to identify and treat STDs. Sexually Transmitted Disease Case Management Services include but are not limited to case finding and disease surveillance, medical supplies, health care provider services, examination rooms, clinical and laboratory diagnostic services, treatment, prevention, intervention, education activities, and medical follow-up.

2. Definitions Specific to STD Case Management Services.

- a. **Contact Interview:** A contact interview is an interview conducted with an STD infected individual. The objective of the interview is to prevent further spread of disease through the prompt identification and examination of all elicited partners of the infected individual. The interview is designed to ensure that the individual understands the seriousness of the disease, and motivates the individual to cooperate with STD/HIV control efforts.
- b. **Disease Intervention Specialist or DIS:** A DIS (sometimes also referred to as a Communicable Disease Investigator or CDI) is an individual employed by Department or a local public health authority that is specially trained to provide components of STD Case Management Services, i.e. client interviewing, partner notification and referral, untreated patient referral, education activities and consultation for individuals diagnosed with an STD. Additional duties can be performed only with the approval of DHS.
- c. **Report Format:** The designated form for reporting a STD case or suspected STD case to Department, which is form DHS 8352. A copy of the form is available from Department upon request.
- d. **Reportable STDs:** A reportable STD is the diagnosis of an individual infected with any of the following infections or syndromes: Chancroid, Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, Lymphogranuloma Venereum, acute Pelvic Inflammatory Disease, and Syphilis, as further described in Division 18 of OAR Chapter 333, and HIV, as further described in ORS 433.045.

3. Type of Resources.

Department may provide, pursuant to this Agreement, any or all of the types of resources described below to assist LPHA in delivering Sexually Transmitted Disease Case Management Services. The specific types of resources and the amount thereof are reflected in the Financial Assistance Award or the footnotes thereof. The resources may include:

- a. **In-Kind Resources:** Tangible goods or supplies having a monetary value that is determined by Department. Examples of such In-Kind Resources include goods such as condoms, pamphlets, and antibiotics for treating STDs.

- b. **Technical Assistance Resources (Direct Assistance):** Services of a Department DIS, that Department makes available to LPHA to support the LPHA's delivery of STD Case Management Services
- c. **Financial Assistance Resources specific to DIS Activity:** Funds made available to LPHA solely for use in covering a portion of the salary of a DIS employed by LPHA to deliver components of STD Case Management Services.

4. **Procedural and Operational Requirements.**

All STD Case Management Services supported in whole or in part with resources provided to LPHA under this Agreement must be delivered in accordance with the following procedural and operational requirements:

- a. LPHA acknowledges and agrees that the LPHA bears the primary responsibility, as described in Divisions 17, 18 and 19 of OAR Chapter 333, for identifying potential outbreaks of STDs within LPHA's service area, for preventing the incidence of STDs within LPHA's service area, and for reporting in a timely manner the incidence of Reportable STDs within LPHA's service area to the appropriate Department authorities.
- b. LPHA may not deny STD clinical services to an individual seeking such services from LPHA. STD clinical services are a component of STD Case Management Services and may consist of screening individuals for reportable STDs and treating individuals infected with Reportable STDs and their sexual partners for the disease. Note: Because the State does not fund HIV clinical care and most counties cannot afford to provide HIV clinical care, this section does not apply to HIV.
- c. As required by applicable law, LPHA must provide STD Case Management services including surveillance, case finding, and prevention activities, to the extent that local resources permit, related to chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and HIV, in accordance with:
 - i. Oregon Administrative Rules, Chapter 333, Divisions 17, 18 and 19;
 - ii. "Program Operations: Guidelines for STD Prevention", published by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and dated as of (1998 version), which includes the federal standards for the operation of state and local STD prevention programs, and "STD Treatment Guidelines", published by CDC and dated as of August 2006. Both of these documents are available for review at <http://www.cdc.gov/std/program/>.
 - iii. The "Region X Infertility Prevention Project: Program Guidelines and Data Collection" manual dated as of January 2005. This manual is located at <http://www.centerforhealthtraining.org>.
 - iv. DHS Investigative Guidelines for Notifiable Diseases dated as of November 1995. These guidelines can be found at: <http://www.dhs.state.or.us/publichealth/lhd/index.cfm>.
 - v. ORS 433.045.

- d.** LPHA must evaluate STD morbidity and laboratory results reported to the LPHA by health care providers and laboratories for completeness and appropriate treatment regimen. For each STD morbidity and laboratory result reported to LPHA, LPHA must complete and submit to the appropriate Department authority, within two weeks of receiving the STD morbidity and laboratory results, the “Confidential STD Case Report” form (DHS 8352), as further described in Division 18 of OAR Chapter 333.
- e.** LPHA, as appropriate, must examine, evaluate, and treat for Reportable STDs, each individual referred to LPHA by a DIS. Generally individuals referred by a DIS are sex partners of individuals with a Reportable STD or an individual who has tested positive for a Reportable STD, but has not received treatment. LPHA must provide the Reportable STD examination, diagnosis and treatment, if necessary, to the DIS referred individual within four working days of referral.
- f.** If LPHA receives In-Kind Resources under this Agreement in the form of medications for treating STDs, LPHA may use those medications only to treat individuals infected with, or suspected of having Reportable STDs or to treat the sex partners of individuals infected with Reportable STDs, subject to the following requirements:

 - i.** The medications must be provided at no cost to the individuals receiving treatment.
 - ii.** LPHA must perform a monthly medication inventory and maintain a medication log of all medications supplied to LPHA under this Agreement. Specifically, LPHA must log-in and log-out each dose dispensed.
 - iii.** LPHA must return expiring medications supplied to LPHA under this Agreement to the appropriate Department authority at least 90 days prior to the medication expiration date. LPHA shall be liable to Department for the CDC federal contract price, per dose, of all unused medications supplied to LPHA under this Agreement that are not returned to Department prior to their expiration date.
- g.** If LPHA receives In-Kind Resources under this Agreement in the form of condoms, LPHA may distribute those condoms at no cost to individuals infected with an STD and to other individuals who are at risk for STDs. LPHA may not, under any circumstances, sell condoms supplied to LPHA under this Agreement.
- h.** If LPHA receives Technical Assistance Resources under this Agreement:

 - i.** LPHA must provide a private room in LPHA’s clinic area for the DIS to counsel and interview individuals. This room must have basic office furniture to include a desk, telephone, and locking file cabinet.
 - ii.** LPHA must provide on site parking at no cost to the DIS with come and go privileges to accommodate investigative activity.
 - iii.** LPHA must provide clerical support to the DIS for STD Case Management Activities including but not limited to, outreach, morbidity reporting, and other related DIS activities.

- iv. LPHA must in conjunction with the Department's STD Program manager review DIS activities and accomplishments on a semi annual basis. This can be done using the Department's Sexually Transmitted Disease Management Information System (STDMIS) database for the measurement of DIS STD Case Management Services productivity or the LPHA's database if agreeable to the Department and the LPHA.
- i. **[Multnomah County only]** If LPHA receives Financial Assistance Resources specific to DIS Activity, under this Agreement:
 - i. LPHA must provide DIS access to motor vehicle parking with come and go privileges, to accommodate investigative activity.
 - ii. LPHA must submit quarterly reports to the Department's STD Program describing DIS activities and indices achieved during the quarter in accordance with the DIS Activity Outcomes. The report must be submitted no later than the end of the month following the end of each calendar quarter during the period for which Financial Assistance Resources specific to DIS Activity are awarded under this Agreement.
 - iii. In the event of a Reportable STD outbreak or shortage of DIS staff outside Multnomah County, the LPHA must make additional DIS available upon request by the Department's STD Program Manager. (this partially funded position is being defunded as of January 1, 2006)
 - iv. LPHA must provide staff time to examine, diagnose, and treat all individuals seeking examination, diagnosis or treatment of a Reportable STD. LPHA staff must also perform, as resources permit, STD intervention (Contact Interview and partner notification) services to individuals with Reportable STDs diagnosed by or reported to LPHA.
- j. **[Jackson County only]** If LPHA receives Financial Assistance Resources specific to DIS Activity, under this Agreement:
 - i. LPHA must dedicate up to 20% FTE DIS to provide STD Case Management Services in Josephine and Klamath Counties to the extent requested by the LPHAs for Josephine and Klamath Counties.
 - ii. LPHA must provide staff time to examine, diagnose, and treat all individuals seeking examination, diagnosis or treatment of a Reportable STD. LPHA staff must also perform, as resources permit, STD intervention (Contact Interview and partner notification) services to individuals with Reportable STDs diagnosed by or reported to LPHA.

5. Reporting Obligations and other Requirements

In addition to the reporting requirements set forth in Section 8 of Exhibit E of this Agreement, LPHA shall submit to Department the reports described above.