



2.7 PROVISION OF FAMILY PLANNING AND RELATED SERVICES

POLICY:

All projects must provide for medical services related to family planning (including physician's consultation, examination, prescription, and continuing supervision, laboratory examination, contraceptive supplies) and referral to other medical facilities when medically necessary, consistent with the prohibition on referral for abortion as a method of family planning in 42 CFR 59.14(a), and provide for the effective usage of contraceptive devices and practices (42 CFR 59.5(b)(1)).

This includes, but is not limited to, emergencies that require referral. Efforts may be made to aid the client in finding potential resources for reimbursement of the referral provider, but projects are not responsible for the cost of this care.

PROCEDURE:

Current written (i.e. past 12 months) clinical protocols clearly indicate that the following services will be offered to all family planning clients as appropriate:

- A broad range of contraceptives, including natural family planning methods and other fertility awareness based methods
- Pregnancy Testing and Counseling
- Services to assist with achieving pregnancy
- Basic Infertility Services
- STD Services
- Preconception Health Services

Breast and cervical cancer screening are available on-site or by referral.

Age appropriate "initial/annual examinations" and "preventative health visits" are still encouraged in accordance with medical standards of care and clinical recommendations. These visits have a strong focus on risk reduction, health counseling, preventive services and screening along with the provision of the core components of the QFP recommendations.

Delegate agencies should offer either comprehensive primary health services onsite or have a robust referral linkage with primary health providers who are in close physical proximity to the Title X site in order to promote holistic health and provide seamless care.



Preferably written collaborative agreements with relevant referral agencies exist, including:

- Emergency care
- HIV/AIDS care and treatment providers
- Infertility specialists
- Primary care and chronic care management providers

Medical records document that clients are provided referrals when medically indicated.

See Also:

FPNTC https://www.fpntc.org/sites/default/files/resources/fpntc_fp_prvhlth_checklist.pdf

HM-2 Protocol Preventative Health Visit

HM-5 Protocol Health Screening