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FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM UPDATE

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Oregon FP Program News

Family Planning Coordinators meeting

We want to make sure you know about our statewide meeting at the Reproductive Health Conference. This meeting will be in lieu of our annual spring family planning coordinators meeting. It will be held at the conference on Wednesday March 25th from 4:30 to 5:30pm. If you are attending the conference it will be important for you to attend as we will have pertinent program information to share. See you at the conference!

Obama administration moves to rescind provider conscience regulations

For those of you who didn't see the news earlier this week, the Obama administration has announced that they intend to rescind the provider conscience regulations enacted by the prior administration in January. Formal notice of this step should appear shortly in the Federal Register, after which there will be a 30-day period for public comment.

FPEP

Business Reply Envelopes for OOS BC Requests

As you may recall, last year we sent each agency a package of business reply envelopes to use for mailing out-of-state birth certificate requests to our office. If you have run low or completely out of these envelopes, please email Alison Babich, alison.a.babich@state.or.us, to request more. And please remember, these envelopes should be used only for out-of-state birth certificate requests and not for other vital records information (e.g. marriage, death, or abortion certificates meant for the Center for Health Statistics).

Scheduled downtime for FPEP Eligibility Database

The website for the FPEP Eligibility Database will be down from 7pm pacific on Friday, March 20th to Monday, March 23rd at 7am pacific. Ahlers will be making some major upgrades to their mainframe systems during this time. If your clinic sees clients on weekends, you may want to verify FPEP eligibility for scheduled weekend clients on Friday. Apologies for the inconvenience.

FPEP**New FPEP Administrative Rules effective March 2**

The proposed FPEP administrative rule changes that we told you about in December became effective at the beginning of this week, March 2nd. Thanks to everyone who provided feedback during the comment period! The final revised rules will be available on our website early next week, and on the Secretary of State's Administrative Rules website at the beginning of April (<http://arcweb.sos.state.or.us/banners/rules.htm>).

OHP eligibility check for FPEP claims still suspended

Since implementation of the new Medicaid Management Information System (MMIS) in early December, we have been unable to perform our usual check for OHP eligibility before paying FPEP claims. DMAP contractors are working on a solution but, while the problem persists, clinics should make extra efforts to ascertain OHP eligibility before enrolling new FPEP clients or serving existing ones. Call the AIS number (1-800-522-2508) or use the online system to check clients' OHP coverage.

Title X**Unused RH 2009 Conference Registration Scholarships**

Some agencies are unable to use their conference scholarships and it looks as if there will be additional scholarships available. If your agency would like to send a second person to the conference, please e-mail karol.l.almroth@state.or.us to be put on the list for a second scholarship. Conversely, if your agency is intending to use a scholarship and no one has registered from your county yet, please be sure to send in your registration ASAP so the spot isn't given away.

SAVE THE DATE!**2009 Oregon Adolescent Sexuality Conference**

When: April 6-7, 2009

Where: The Seaside Convention Center, Seaside, OR.

The conference is an excellent way to network with colleagues, share best practices, build partnerships, and get up-to-date information on a broad range of issues that impact adolescents and their communities. You won't want to miss this year's conference!

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Highlights for this year's 2009 Oregon Adolescent Sexuality

Conference include:

- April 6th Keynote Speaker, Glynis Shea, University of Minnesota
- April 7th Keynote Speaker, Barbara Huberman, Advocates for Youth
- Teen Panel Discussion
- Evening Ice Cream Social with workshop from Planned Parenthood of Southwest Oregon Teen Theatre Members
- Affinity Groups
- An outstanding array of workshops

You can register online for this year's conference at: www.asc-oregon.org or see attached registration and conference information.

If you have any questions regarding the conference, please contact Lila Duncan, 971-673-0163, lila.m.duncan@state.or.us.

Hope to see you in Seaside.

SAVE THE DATE!

"Roots of Change: Men, Sex and Justice" 34th National Conference on Men and Masculinity

When: October 28-30th, 2009

Where: Portland State University, Portland, OR

Who should attend?

- Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Prevention Professionals
- Campus Professionals
- Students
- Public Health Professionals
- Child Abuse Prevention Professionals
- Community & Youth Organizers
- Others who are interested examining the intersections of social justice issues (e.g., gender, sexual orientation, race, culture, ability) with sexual violence prevention

Presented by:

Oregon Attorney General's Sexual Assault Task Force
Portland State University, Women's Resource Center
National Organization for Men Against Sexism

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