



▪ **We've moved!**

Last month, the Family Planning Program and our colleagues within the Women's and Reproductive Health section moved to single location on the third floor of the Portland State Office Building. Please note our new suite and fax numbers; the rest of our mailing address and all of our phone numbers remain the same:

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Portland, OR 97232
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▪ **Family Planning website updates!**

We have added client-centric information to our website and consolidated the provider information and health education materials into one "Provider Resources" area. Please take a look to familiarize yourself with the new layout and contact Nicole Browning with questions or feedback. Nicole may be reached at: 971-673-0489 or ashley-nicole.a.browning@state.or.us.

▪ **Safenet website updates**

The Safenet website, www.oregonsafenet.org has been updated with a new left hand menu item named "Birth Control". Browsers who click on that item will be directed to the new Family Planning client focused "Birth Control" page, where they will find information about eligibility, methods, clinic locations and helpful related websites.

▪ **Beware of counterfeit Paragard®**

The Duramed pharmaceutical company has alerted us to the fact that counterfeit ParaGard® T 380A copper IUDs are being sold from "Web-based pharmacies" at reduced prices. The pharmacies mislead healthcare professionals and consumers into believing that the products for sale are equivalent to or generic substitutes for ParaGard®, but they are not. They are markedly different in appearance and specifications, and typically bear labeling from an unapproved product called T-Safe CU 380 A QL. ParaGard® is the only hormone-free IUC product approved for sale in the United States, meeting the FDA's exacting standards for safety and effectiveness.

- **CLAS Assessment**

The Family Planning Program is conducting a follow-up Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) assessment. The assessment will be distributed to Family Planning Coordinators via email during late May and should be returned to Nicole Browning by June 30th. Please contact Nicole with questions. She may be reached at (971)673-0489 or ashley-nicole.a.browning@state.or.us.

FPEP

- **Reminder: FPEP Outreach Conference Call**

This call is scheduled for Wednesday, May 27th at 8:00 a.m. Topics to be discussed include:

1. Transit advertising campaign status.
2. Rural advertising.
3. Cinema/theater advertising.
4. New outreach materials
5. Customer response survey.
6. FPEP Social Marketing Campaign
7. Family Planning website changes!
8. Oregon Safenet website update!
9. Additional types of outreach support?

Please contact Nicole for call-in information if you did not receive an email invitation. She can be reached at (971)673-0489 or ashley-nicole.a.browning@state.or.us.

- **FPEP Billboard Advertising Campaign**

A 6-month FPEP outdoor billboard advertising campaign has been launched in the following counties: Baker, Columbia, Coos, Crook, Curry, Deschutes, Douglas, Harney, Hood River, Jefferson, Lincoln, Malheur, Polk, Tillamook, Umatilla, Union, Yamhill and Wasco. Please contact Nicole Browning if you require additional printed outreach materials. Nicole may be reached at 971-673-0489 or ashley-nicole.a.browning@state.or.us.

Title X

- **Save the date – National Family Planning Clinical Conference August 1-3, 2010**

Plan to join your colleagues from across the United States in St. Louis for a national clinical conference designed especially for Title X family planning care providers.

Training & Education

▪ IUC Insertion Training June 22, 2009 in Hillsboro

Back by popular demand! This skills-based training includes both didactic and practicum components, covering both Mirena and Paragard. The practicum will include the opportunity to perform an IUC insertion on a client. Attendees may arrange for one of their clients to come for an IUC insertion, at no cost, as part of the training.

Registration and other details will be available on the Center for Health Training website <http://www.centerforhealthtraining.org/> on Monday 5/18. Space is limited so sign up ASAP.

For more information contact Cheryl Connell at 541- 265-2248 x 443. The Seattle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center is offering several trainings over the next few months:

- Essential STD Exam Skills
May 11 & 12, 2009
Seattle, WA
- Venipuncture Techniques
August 18, 2009
Seattle, WA
- STD Update
(with Optional Clinical Practicum)
August 25 & 26, 2009 - Boise, ID
October 14-16, 2009 - Portland, OR
November 3 & 4, 2009 - Spokane, WA

Detailed course information and online registration are available on the Center's website: www.SeattleSTDHIVPTC.org

▪ Online STD Case Series

"New Onset Rash in an HIV+ Male"

Content for this course was developed by Sharon Adler, MD, MPH, and Linda Creegan, FNP, MS, and was reviewed by Heidi Bauer, MD, MS, MPH and Christopher Hall, MD, MS, California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center, under the direction of Gail Bolan, MD, California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center.

"17 Year Old Female Presents for Sports Physical"

Content for this course was developed by Heidi Bauer, MD, MS, MPH, and Linda Creegan, FNP, under the direction of Gail Bolan, MD, California STD/HIV Prevention Training Center and with assistance from Katy Farber and Rhonda Kropp, University of California at Berkeley.

This web-based case series is designed for practicing clinicians who diagnose, treat and manage patients with, or at risk for, sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). The series includes case presentations of common STD-related syndromes with a guided, interactive process to evaluate each case, arrive at a diagnosis and provide recommended treatment. In addition, each case is designed to improve skills in assessing patient risk, communicating risk reduction techniques and managing partners. Each case should take about one hour to complete. Continuing education credit is available free of charge.

The Online STD Case Series is brought to you by the National Network of STD/HIV Prevention Training Centers (NNPTC) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). www.STDCases.org

Resources

- **“Safe in the City” educational video**

On April 15th, state family planning staff participated in a net meeting sponsored by The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the Denver Health & Hospital Authority, and the Academy for Educational Development (AED). The meeting featuring video clips, an overview of Safe in the City research, and a discussion of the recent national diffusion of the intervention. This program is part of CDC's Diffusion of Effective Behavioral Interventions (DEBI) project.

Safe in the City is a 23-minute, educational video that has been proven effective in reducing STDs among STD clinic patients in three cities in the United States (Warner, Rietmeijer, Klausner et al, 2006). Safe in the City was developed for clinic patients from diverse cultural backgrounds. This intervention aims to increase condom use thereby reducing new STD infections among patients who view the video in an STD clinic waiting room.

You can order free Safe in the City kits for your clinics. The supply is limited, but family planning clinics have priority. To order a free Safe in the City kit, go to: [The Safe in the City \(SITC\) homepage](#).

Online Safe in the City resources can be previewed and downloaded, as follows:

To preview and download the Safe in the City DVD:

<http://www.safeinthecity.org/about/index.php#preview>

To download the Safe in the City User's Guide and Posters:

<http://www.effectiveinterventions.org/go/interventions/safe-in-the-city/safe-in-the-city-resources-and-tools/>

- **Is it important to you that patients make informed health decisions?**

Check out the [You Decide: Making Informed Health Choices about Hormonal Contraception Tool Kit](#), a new, cutting-edge clinician tool from ARHP and PPFA. By effectively presenting risks associated with combined hormonal contraception, clinicians can empower patients to make informed health decisions.

This comprehensive tool kit includes

- a guide for conducting patient interviews
- sample patient self-history and physical exam forms for your clinical setting
- individualized patient risk-comparison tools for patient counseling
- patient risk-comparison tools
- response plans for announcements of adverse medical events
- resources for translating research into practice

Download your copy of the You Decide Tool Kit at no cost today.

- **Free reproductive health training web tools**

The Association of Reproductive Health Professionals (ARHP) is proud to offer two powerful, free web tools for students, faculty, and professionals who frequently present on reproductive health topics.

-- The Global Opportunities Tool (GO Tool) www.arhp.org/GOtool

Discover unique educational and training experiences in reproductive health settings around the world. Any healthcare student interested in broadening their reproductive health training may search the GO Tool for clinical and non-clinical opportunities using an interactive flash map. Users can share sites via e-mail, write an online review of their experience, and access supplementary travel and funding resources. Organizations can recruit students by listing program information online.

-- Curricula Organizer for Reproductive Health Education (CORE) www.arhp.org/CORE

Access reproductive health teaching materials or build your own dynamic curricula for learners. CORE is an open access tool featuring peer-reviewed, evidence-based teaching materials on a variety of reproductive health topics. It is a collaborative effort of organizations working to improve the quality and quantity of reproductive health information included in health professions education. Users can search and download thousands of individual PowerPoint slides, complete presentation sets, case studies, and learning activities to develop comprehensive educational presentations.