



FPEP

▪ **Tip for Avoiding Claim Rejections**

In the last few months, we have noticed more claims than usual being rejected because “FPEP Eligibility has expired” (error ID #104 on the Summary of CVR Errors report that you receive from Ahlers every month). When claims are processed, Ahlers checks the FPEP Eligibility Database to determine whether a client was eligible on the date of service for which you are billing. So it is important to make sure that the web database has been updated with correct eligibility information before transmitting the claim to Ahlers. Please contact state staff or Ahlers with any questions.

▪ **Clarification: U.S. Citizen and Lawful Permanent Resident**

In a recent review of FPEP Enrollment Forms, we found that many clients had checked “Yes” on both Question 10 (“Are you a U.S. Citizen?”) and Question 11 (“Are you a Lawful Permanent Resident...?”). These two categories are mutually exclusive; a person cannot be a U.S. citizen and a Lawful Permanent Resident (LPR) at the same time. Lawful Permanent Residency is an immigration category that allows someone to live and work in the U.S. permanently *in spite of the fact that s/he is not a citizen*. So, even though U.S. citizens can also live in the country permanently and legally, they are not Lawful Permanent Residents.

Please help your clients understand this distinction and complete the FPEP Enrollment Form correctly.

▪ **FP Supply Purchasing**

Some Supplies Have Decreased in Cost

Please remember to check, at least quarterly, the supply prices that you are charging FPEP. Rates charged to FPEP must be based upon your actual invoice price.

In the past several months, many prices of supplies purchased through Multnomah County Central Stores have decreased. Recent changes include: NuvaRings (now \$15), the Patch (now \$15 per box of 3), and Depo (now \$7.75 or less for vial or syringe). It is important to monitor both the increases and the decreases as supply costs fluctuate.

Yasmin

The oral contraceptive Yasmin is now available through Central Stores at the Public Health price of 51 cents (\$0.51) per cycle. You can call to order until it is available on the regular order sheet. **Please note** that use of Yasmin will require an addition to clinic protocols and client consent forms due to its unique chemical makeup. Sample

language for protocol and client information is attached, posted on our [website](#), or agencies could use either the product info circular or the website (www.yasmin-us.com) to develop protocols and consent forms.

Thank You

We appreciate your continued cooperation with dispensing only two Plan B kits (one for immediate and one for future use).

Title X News

In our continued effort to provide program efficiency, Family Planning reviewers will now also be requesting ten FPEP client charts to review during the regular Title X triennial compliance review.

Resources, Training, and Education

- **Save the Date**

15th Annual HIV Clinical Update for Nurses: Innovative Approaches to Emergent Challenges
June 7 and 8, 2007

This conference is a forum for disseminating new information about HIV infection, sharing innovative treatment and prevention strategies, exploring quality of life issues for persons living with or affected by HIV, and discussing public policies that impact HIV care and prevention. For more information visit [our website](#).

- **Save the Date**

The Annual Statewide Family Planning Coordinators' Meeting will be held ***Monday, September 24, and Tuesday, September 25, 2007, at the Portland State Office Building***. We will keep you informed of further details as planning takes shape over the next few months.

- **Center for Health Training**

[Spring Training Calendar, March – June, 2007](#)

Vasectomy Brochures

Now available for your agency's use, in both [Spanish and English](#).

Region X Audioconference

Culture and Healthcare Disparities: A Focus on Contraception and Culture

Presented by Linda Dominguez

Wednesday, June 13, 2007, 12:00 - 1:30 PDT

This audioconference promises to be helpful to family planning providers addressing needs of women of different cultures. Click [here](#) to register.