



FPEP

▪ **One-Time Only Visit Exception Turned Back On**

Good news!! The State Family Planning Program just received budget approval to fund FPEP One-Time Only Visits from May 21st through June 30th, 2007. The One-Time Only Visit Exception will be reimbursed at \$140 (visit) and up to a year of supplies, just like before. ***ALL VISITS WILL BE REIMBURSED AT \$140*** - we will not be reducing reimbursement for Depo shot visits. Please see the attached fax & flow chart for details.

Ahlers has re-enabled the One-Time Exception button on the Eligibility Database, and it functions the same as before. The One-Time Exception is only available to new and renewing clients, so those who have already used the One-Time Visit cannot use it again. Please update the Database as enrollments occur (don't delay data entry) for One-Time Visits so that we can formulate reliable estimates of its use.

We highly encourage you to ask all clients to still bring their documents as soon as possible, even if they use the One-Time Exception. After you explain the new requirements to clients, your first question should be: "Were you born in Oregon?" so that you can complete the Birth Record Request Form. Then you may say, "We really need you to bring your documents back as soon as possible (today or by the end of the week) to help us get funding that we wouldn't otherwise get to pay for your visit today. In the future, without your documents we cannot serve you under FPEP."

This additional funding is only available from May 21st - June 30th, 2007. Depending on the approved FY 07-08 budget for FPEP, we may be able to extend One-Time Visits July 1st and beyond - please stay tuned for more updates.

If you have questions, please contact Emilee Coulter-Thompson, Provider Liaison at 971-673-0363.

▪ **Contest for Total DRA Implementation Expenditures**

Back in March, we asked for you to send expenditures related to implementing the Deficit Reduction Act; that is, any extra costs for implementing the new requirements for verifying citizenship and identity. Thank you to all who have submitted these forms. A copy of this tracking form is attached to the email accompanying this newsletter, if you need it again.

We are busy compiling the costs from all agencies statewide, and we are also adding our own costs here at the state level for the implementation. We are

still taking estimates for the sum total, and the closest guesser will be the (hopefully) proud new owner of our resplendent Condom Purse, fashioned entirely by hand by your pals here in the Reproductive Health section. Have a look at the photos:



Don't miss out on your opportunity to submit a guess. We need your estimate by **Wednesday, June 13th, at 5:00pm**. Please email Joan Snow at joan.snow@state.or.us with your best guess of overall implementation expenditures among all FPEP agencies in Oregon.

Staff News

We are pleased to announce that Emily Elman will be joining our program as our new Research Analyst, beginning June 14th. Emily comes to us from the Diabetes program of Health Promotion/Chronic Disease Prevention, here at the state. For the first time since 2004, we have a full staff to work for you and for our clients. Emily, welcome and we are thrilled to have you!

Legislative News

This week the Oregon Senate passed House Bill 2700, legislation that will require birth control coverage in employee health insurance plans that offer prescription drug coverage and provide access to emergency contraception in the emergency room for women who are victims of sexual assault. Included in House Bill 2700 is the option for victims of sexual assault to receive emergency contraception in any hospital in Oregon. One in six Oregon women has experienced sexual assault in their lifetime. Contraceptive equity has been addressed in the legislature in previous sessions, but never passed both chambers. House Bill 2700 will now move to the Governor's desk for his signature.

Q: What does this mean for FPEP clients?

A: Since November 2006, we have been unable to enroll people who have full insurance coverage for contraceptive management (coverage that extends to both family planning visits and birth control supplies) into FPEP. But we have been able to offer coverage to those with only partial insurance and, most often, these clients have insurance that covers visits but not supplies. Come January 1, 2008, the new law will move most of the clients that we currently consider to have partial coverage into the full coverage category, making them ineligible for FPEP. However, it

will still be important to ask clients what their insurance does and does not cover, since the law does not apply to all forms of insurance. Reproductive Health Program staff will be happy to answer questions as the implementation date moves closer.

Resources, Training, and Education

▪ **Russian Brochure Available**

Our family planning brochure entitled *Choosing a Birth Control Method* is now available in Russian. We pre-tested the brochure with Russian clients. Feel free to download the brochure from our website (www.healthoregon.org/fp) and make copies available for your clients.

Printing Steps

Step 1 Use colored legal size paper.

Step 2 Use duplex printing if you have it or make 2-sided copies.

Step 3 Fold in half horizontally.

Step 4 Fold in half again.

Call Marsha Brantley at 971-673-0359 if you have problems. You will receive a hard copy in the next quarterly mailing.

▪ **The Next FPEP Training is Coming Soon!**

Program Integrity Plan: What You Need To Know To Keep the Dough
Friday, June 22nd, 1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
Conference Room 1E of the Portland State Office Building

Deadlines:

* Register to host a videoconference by **Friday, June 1st**

* Register to receive free parking validation for the Portland training by **Friday, June 8th**

All registration materials, videoconference sites, and training information available at www.healthoregon.org/fp. For more information, please contact Emilee Coulter-Thompson at emilee.i.coulter-thompson@state.or.us.

▪ **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](#)

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.