

8.14.2 IMMUNIZATIONS

Policy: Title X clinics should provide or refer clients for immunizations related to reproductive and preconception health. In addition, one of the 2014 Title X Key Issues is the promotion of vaccinations of clients and health care personnel to protect against vaccine preventable disease, particularly influenza. It is preferred that immunizations be provided at the clinic providing Title X services.

The DPHHS Immunization Program may serve as a resource for Title X clinics. The mission of the Immunization Program is to prevent vaccine preventable disease among all residents throughout their life span by sharing information, manage data, provide education, give guidance, and oversee distribution of publicly-funded vaccines (www.dphhs.mt.gov/publichealth/Immunization).

Procedure:

1. Immunization status is integrated into the comprehensive health history conducted at the client's first visit and updated at least annually. Title X providers must review and document the client's immunization status annually.
2. If not offering immunizations on site, the service site must have a referral source for the provision of immunizations (see MT TX FP Administrative Manual, Policy 8.13.2 *Medical Service Referral Guidelines*).
3. As appropriate, Title X service sites should contact the DPHHS Immunization Program for information and client eligibility regarding financial assistance for vaccinations, as appropriate.
4. Refer to the CDC Guidelines on Vaccines and Immunizations site: www.cdc.gov/vaccines. This site includes the most current and updated recommendations for vaccines and immunizations schedules.
5. CDC has identified priority vaccines for adolescents and adults as follows:
 - a. Adolescents
 - i. MCV (Meningococcal vaccine)
 - ii. Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis)
 - iii. HPV (Human papillomavirus)
 - iv. Influenza
 - b. Adults
 - i. Hep A/B
 - ii. Tdap (Tetanus, Diphtheria, and Pertussis)
 - iii. MMR (Measles, Mumps and Rubella)
 - iv. HPV (Human papillomavirus)
 - v. PPSV23 (Pneumococcal polysaccharide vaccine)
 - vi. Influenza

Resources:

CDC Recommended Immunizations for Adults: <http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/hcp/adult.html>

CDC Recommended Immunizations for Children from 7 through 18 years old:

<http://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/schedules/easy-to-read/child.html>

Do I Need Any Vaccinations Today? Immunization Action Coalition: www.immunize.org

Screening Checklist for Contraindications to Vaccines for Adults, Immunization Action Coalition: www.immunize.org/catg.d/p4065.pdf

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