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Health Equity

Clinician's Guide to Disability-Informed Care

This newly-developed guide offers actionable steps and scripts to help clinicians conduct respectful, person-centered physical exams in sexual and reproductive health settings for patients with intellectual, developmental, and physical disabilities. It also presents practical, patient-centered strategies to create safer, more responsive health care environments.

[See the guide](#)

Trainings

Webinar: Frameworks and Strategies for SRH Care Provision: Lessons Learned from Patients and Providers (*Wednesday, September 24th, 9:00-10:30*)

Join presenters from Child Trends, the University of Utah, Morgan State University, and the Guttmacher Institute to learn about new data from qualitative and quantitative studies of sexual and reproductive healthcare experiences, with a focus on implementation of existing frameworks for care. Presenters will highlight successful strategies gleaned from real-world experiences of providers and patients of the family planning safety net.

[Register for the webinar](#)

Webinar: STI Clinical Update (*Wednesday, September 24th, 9:00-1:00 and Thursday, September 25th, 9:00-1:00*)

The STI Clinical Update Series is a two, 1/2-day didactic course which provides registered participants with training in the most recent advancements in epidemiology, diagnosis, and management of viral and bacterial STIs. Clinicians from any states are welcome to attend. CME/CNE is offered for this class.

[Register for the webinar](#)

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Webinar: Understanding Open Adoption (Thursday, September 25th, 12:00-1:00)

In this webinar, by Open Adoption and Family Services, you'll learn how to provide support and share accurate information with pregnant individuals and couples considering adoption.

[Register for the webinar](#)

Online Conference: 2025 National Sexual Health Conference (Monday, October 6 – Wednesday, October 8)

The National Sexual Health Conference (NSHC) creates opportunities to share information, efforts, research, and best practices related to sexual health across the lifespan. The theme of the 2025 National Sexual Health Conference is Moving forward: Innovating and advancing sexual health through collective action.

[Register for the conference](#)

Webinar: Contraception in Practice (Thursday, October 23rd, 12:00 – 1:15)

Need a crash course on contraception? This 75-minute webinar will give an overview of all contraceptive methods currently available in the United States. Participants will learn how to assist clients in choosing a method that best fits their preferences, lifestyle and reproductive goals. We will also discuss common medical contraindications, how to screen for them, and how to use the CDC Medical Eligibility Criteria (MEC) to safely provide contraception to clients.

Presented by our very own Public Health Nurse Consultant, Christina Steurer, RN, WHNP.

Audience: This webinar is open to all but is intended for providers who are newer to prescribing contraceptives and RNs dispensing contraception under a standing order/protocol. Please share with your colleagues as appropriate.

[Register for the webinar](#)

Resources

Let's switch it up: Changing OCP formulations to address side effects

This article, from Bedsider Providers, reviews practical strategies for adjusting combined oral contraceptive formulations to manage side effects and improve patient experiences.

[Read the article](#)

Resources for Providers to Prepare for ICE Presence at Health Care Facilities

Physicians for Reproductive Health has created a comprehensive guide with printable resources to help clinics and providers be prepared if ICE shows up at their workplace. Resources include:

- Top 5 Ways to Prepare for Ice: This at-a-glance document quickly outlines five steps your health care facility can take now to uphold patient and provider rights.
- How to Read a Warrant: Understanding the different types of warrants and how to identify a valid judicial warrant.
- Script: What to Say to ICE: What to say if ICE shows up at your facility.
- Script: What to Say to Patients: A script for health care providers to use when communicating with all patients given the current anti-immigrant climate.
- Signs Designating Private Areas: Signs to help restrict access to private areas for those who are providing care and receiving care.

[See the guide](#)

Glossary

The following are acronyms commonly found in the newsletter:

AHI: [University of Michigan's Adolescent Health Initiative](#)

CTC-SRH: [Clinical Training Center for Sexual + Reproductive Health](#)

CVR: Clinic Visit Record

LARC: Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive

NFPRHA: [National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association](#)

OHP: [Oregon Health Plan](#)

QFP: Quality Family Planning Guide

RHAF: Reproductive Health Access Fund

RHNTC: [Reproductive Health National Training Center](#)