

Policy Change - Sterilization No Longer Disqualifies a Person from Enrolling in the RH Access Fund!!

We have always allowed clients to maintain RH Access Fund (RHAF) coverage for 6 months after a sterilization procedure. This new policy simply removes the time limit. We changed this requirement primarily because although very effective, these sterilization methods are not 100% effective and we consider these clients to still have reproductive capacity. We also know that people of color, people experiencing poverty, and people with disabilities have disproportionately experienced forced or coerced sterilization, both now and in the past and therefore this change aligns with our goal to reduce health disparities.

We are working on revising and translating the enrollment form to reflect this change. In the meantime, we have updated the RHAF Eligibility Database to allow clients who have been sterilized to enroll. The table below summarizes this, and the change is highlighted in green:

Enrollment Form Question	Client's Answer	Is Client Eligible for RHAF coverage?
Can you get pregnant OR get someone else pregnant?	Yes, or I think so	Yes
	Yes, but I'm using birth control	Yes
	No, I've been through menopause	No
	No, I've had surgery	Yes
	No, other	No

Join us for RH Program Office Hours! *(Thursday, September 14, 12:00-1:00)*

Do you have questions about RHCare, CCare, or AbortionCare? Do you simply want to join a space where you can connect with the RH Program and other clinics? RH Program Office Hours are for you. We will be taking questions throughout the hour on a first come, first serve basis. You may join at any time because we won't have an agenda or planned topics.

We will be available to answer questions on any topics such as:

- Enrollment and Eligibility
- Clinical services
- Certification requirements
- Onsite and Desk Reviews
- Infrastructure support/funding opportunities
- Abortion Access Plan

Please note that for questions related to billing/data you may want to wait for a future Billing and Data Coffee Break starting in October. Or we recommend you email RH.Billing@oha.oregon.gov.

While these office hours are primarily meant for RHCs, it is open to other RHCare, CCare, and AbortionCare staff.

[Click here to join the Microsoft Teams meeting](#) [↗]

Meeting ID: 285 597 426 557

Passcode: KpF6rP

Or call in (audio only): (971) 277-2343,,793264452#

RHCare & CCare CVR and Reimbursement Refresher Webinars

We are offering CVR webinars for RHCare and CCare clinics to review some minor changes to the reimbursement rates, as well as provide a refresher for anyone interested. This webinar will review the entire CVR, field by field, the reimbursement rates, the allowable primary diagnosis codes, and the monthly Ahlers billing register and CVR error reports, as well as where to find resources on our website. Both webinars will be recorded and made available on our website.

RHCare Webinars

- Wednesday, September 27, 9:00-10:30 - [Register here](#) ↗
- Wednesday, October 5, 12:00-1:30 - [Register here](#) ↗

CCare Webinar

- Tuesday, October 3, 12:00-1:30 - [Register here](#) ↗

Seeding Justice RH Equity Fund Systems Change Grants

Seeding Justice recently released the Reproductive Health Equity Fund's (RHEF) second of two funding cycles for Systems Change grants. Systems Change grants provide funds to address systemic changes needed to create a more equitable reproductive healthcare infrastructure in Oregon over the long term. These grants prioritize programs that focus on the unmet needs of communities most impacted by reproductive health care inequities. These grants have a minimum funding amount of \$100,000 and a maximum amount of \$1,000,000.

Applications are due by October 2, 2023.

[See more information](#) ↗

Podcast - An Overview of OPill

In this podcast, the Clinical Training Center for Sexual Reproductive Health, (CTC-SRH) talks with Anitra Beasley about the FDA's recent decision to approve OPill the first hormonal contraceptive pill available over-the-counter.

[Listen here](#) ↗

Health Equity

Job Aid - 10 Strategies for Creating Inclusive Environments for LGBTQIA+ People

This job aid from the Reproductive Health National Training Center (RHNTC) presents 10 strategies organizations can use to become more affirming and welcoming for LGBTQIA+ clients and staff.

[See the Job Aid](#) ↗

Video - Tracking Weight Stigma and Bias in Adolescent Health Programs and Services

This 6-minute video from the RHNTC explores weight stigma and bias; how they can show up in adolescent health program settings; and what youth-serving staff can do to make sure these settings are safe and inclusive places for all youth, regardless of their body size or weight. This video is intended for staff who interface with youth in a program setting.

[Watch here](#) ↗

Resources

New Series - Assessment and Triage of Early Pregnancy Symptoms

While some agencies may not provide prenatal care, they may provide assessment, management, and triage of early pregnancy symptoms. The CTC-SRH has developed and curated a full series of training resources for clinicians and sexual and reproductive health professionals. Engage with virtual coffee breaks, recorded webinars, protocol templates, job aids, and a podcast to enhance your learning!

[See the Resources](#) ↗