Contraceptive Access in Family Planning Settings



How to Use This Guide	This guide is designed to support facilitation of an interactive learning session about Contraceptive Access in Family Planning Settings: Introduction to the Contraceptive Access Change Package, whose purpose is to drive improvement on the contraceptive care performance measures. Facilitators should feel free to adapt and revise this guide. Facilitators may choose to: Onvene staff from one or more clinics for a standing meeting (e.g., monthly) to discuss each Best Practice (in order or as needed) from the Contraceptive Access Change Package. (See the Best Practice discussion guides.) Convene a one-time meeting with clinic staff about this topic.	
Learning Objectives	By the end of the discussion, participants should be able to: Define the best practice recommendations for increasing access to the full range of contraceptive methods outlined in the Contraceptive Access Change Package Describe one tool available to help calculate and track the contraceptive care performance measures Describe three strategies for improving performance on the contraceptive care performance measures	
Length	At least 60 minutes , with more time for discussion as schedules allow. Example discussion questions are provided; facilitators can use them based on participant interest.	
Materials	 Contraceptive Access Assessment: Site-level assessment to identify strengths and areas of opportunity to increase access to contraceptive methods Contraceptive Access Change Package: Summary of evidence-based recommendations for increasing access to contraceptive methods, strategies, case studies, tools, and resources PowerPoint Slides with Notes: Slides with speaker notes and discussion questions Quality Improvement Tools (printed), including: Contraceptive Care Performance Measure Calculator (completed in advance) Prioritization Matrix 	
Format	Discussions can be facilitated virtually or in person.	

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Suggested Participants	Staff from one or more family planning clinics. Involving multiple sites can facilitate peer-to-peer sharing. Having representation from clinical, administrative, and financial staff can help address system issues.	
Before you start	 Participants should complete the Contraceptive Access Assessment and bring their completed assessments to the meeting. If this is not possible, the facilitator should provide printed assessments and an additional 10-15 minutes for participants to complete them during the meeting. Participants should calculate site-level performance on the contraceptive care performance measures using the Contraceptive Care Performance Measure Calculator (if needed). 	

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1	Contraceptive Access in Family Planning Settings: Introduction to the Contraceptive Access Change Package	ctivity: Conduct participant and facilitator introducti	ons.	
2	Meeting objectives			
3	Why is contraceptive access important for patients?			
4	Why is contraceptive access important for communities?			
5	Effectiveness of family planning methods			
6	National Quality Forum-endorsed contraceptive care measures			
7	Contraceptive Care Performance Measure Calculator	ctivity: Fill out or refer to participants' performance n Ask them to calculate performance measures time.		
		scuss: Is your current performance measure data suryou? What access issues do the data indicate?	rprising to	
8	What are your performance measure goals?			
9	Track progress monthly			

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Discussion of Barriers to Contraceptive Access 15 minutes N Slides 10-11				
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10	Contraceptive Access Assessment	Activity: » Participants will fill out or refer to the Contraceptive Access Assessment tool. Ask participants to fill out ahead of time, or provide 10-15 minutes to fill it out during the session.		
11	Discussion of barriers to contraceptive access	Discussion: » Using the results of the contraceptive access assessment, what practices are you doing most frequently? Least frequently? » What are the patient barriers to obtaining a method of contraception? » What are the facility barriers to providing patients the method of their choice?		
Orientation to the Contraceptive Access Change Package 15 minutes Slides 12-17				
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12	Overview of the Contraceptive Access Change Package			
13	Best practice recommendations			
14	Best Practice 1. Stock a broad range of contraceptive methods including all provider-dependent FDA-approved methods			
15	Best Practice 2. Discuss pregnancy intention and support patients through evidence-informed, patient-centered counseling			
16	Best Practice 3. Develop systems for same-visit provision of all contraceptive methods, at all visit types			

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Best Practice 4. Utilize diverse payment

options to reduce cost as a barrier for

the facility and the patient



Ideas for Increasing Access to Contraception 15 minutes Slide 18				
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18	Brainstorm ideas for increasing contraceptive access	Activity: » Brainstorm ideas that should contribute to the achievement of your outcome: increased access to most- and moderately-effective methods, and LARC methods. Plot ideas on the Prioritization Matrix. Note: Team(s) should work together on this activity. If more than one site is participating in the discussion, encourage staff from the same site to work together. If only one site is participating in the discussion, everyone can work together. Discussion: » What are your high-impact and low-effort change ideas?		
Next	Steps and Conclusion	5 minutes Slides 19-21		
\Box	Present Slide	Facilitate		
19	The QI team			
20	Next steps	Discussion: » What are your next steps? » When will you meet next?		
21	Thank you			