

## Use the Least Invasive, High-quality Recommended Laboratory Technologies for Chlamydia Screening, with Timely Turnaround

### Chlamydia Screening Change Package: Best Practice 3

<h3>How to Use This Guide</h3>	<p>This guide is designed to support facilitation of an interactive learning session on how to <b>Use the least invasive, high-quality recommended laboratory technologies for chlamydia screening with timely turnaround: Best Practice 3</b> from the Chlamydia Screening Change Package, whose purpose is to drive improvement on the <a href="#">chlamydia screening performance measure</a>.</p> <p>Facilitators should feel free to adapt and revise this guide. Facilitators may choose to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» Convene 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 Chlamydia Screening Change Package. <i>(See other Best Practice discussion guides.)</i></li> <li>» Convene a one-time meeting with clinic staff about this topic.</li> </ul>
<h3>Learning Objectives</h3>	<p>By the end of the discussion, participants should be able to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» <b>Describe the current recommended laboratory technologies for chlamydia screening (for women and men)</b></li> <li>» <b>Identify at least two options for specimen collection for women</b></li> <li>» <b>Identify at least two strategies for streamlining the specimen collection process at your health center</b></li> </ul>
<h3>Length</h3>	<p>At least <b>60 minutes</b>, with more time for discussion as schedules allow. Example discussion questions are provided; facilitators can use them based on participant interest.</p>
<h3>Materials</h3>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>» <b>Chlamydia Screening Change Package:</b> Summary of evidence-based recommendations for increasing chlamydia screening rates, strategies, case studies, tools, and resources</li> <li>» <b>PowerPoint Slides with Notes:</b> Slides with speaker notes and discussion questions</li> </ul>
<h3>Format</h3>	<p>Discussions can be facilitated <b>virtually or in person</b>.</p>
<h3>Suggested Participants</h3>	<p><b>Staff from one or more family planning clinics.</b> Involving multiple sites can facilitate peer-to-peer sharing. Having representation of clinical, administrative, and financial staff can help address system issues.</p>
<h3>Before You Start...</h3>	<p>Participants should <b>calculate site-level performance</b> on the chlamydia screening performance measure using the Chlamydia Screening Performance Measure Calculator (if needed).</p>

**Orientation to Best Practice 3:  
Topics and Objectives**



10 minutes



Slides 1-5



Present Slide

Facilitate

**1** Use the Least Invasive, High-Quality Recommended Laboratory Technologies for Chlamydia Screening with Timely Turnaround: Chlamydia Change Package Best Practice 3

Activity:

- » Conduct participant and facilitator introductions.

**2** Introduction to the Chlamydia Screening Change Package

**3** Chlamydia Screening Change Package: Best Practice 3

**4** Meeting objectives

**5** Overview of strategies

Discussion:

- » Brainstorm your biggest challenge to utilizing the least invasive option for screening

**Establish Clinic Flow Processes and Systems**



20 minutes



Slides 6-10



Present Slide

Facilitate

**6** Specimen collection using NAATs

**7** Extragenital screening

**8** Establish clinic flow processes and systems

Discussion:

- » Share examples of instructions that your site uses on how to collect a vaginal or urine sample properly.
- » Where do you post instructions for urine or vaginal swab collection?
- » Who gives the instructions?
- » What are some lessons learned from past experience giving instructions to clients?

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**9** Instructions for client

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**10** Procure lab services with timely turnaround

Discussion:

- » Do your systems align with this timeline?
- » If not, what are the barriers or challenges?
- » What changes are needed to align with this timeline?

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Positive Results: Notification, Treatment, and Follow-up



15 minutes



Slides 11-15



Present Slide

Facilitate

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**11** Client notification and treatment

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**12** Partner notification and treatment

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**13** Repeat test after three months

Discussion:

- » Are rescreening clients treated for infection? At what frequency?
  - » What systems are in place to make sure clients return for repeat testing?
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**14** Establish recall systems

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**15** Establish recall systems (cont.)

Discussion:

- » What other follow-up or retesting options are you using or have you tried?
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Success Story and Additional Resources



10 minutes



Slides 16-18



Present Slide

Facilitate

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**16** Success story: Nevada Health Centers

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**17** Staff training resources

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**18** Client education resources

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Next Steps and Conclusion



5 minutes



Slides 19-20



Present Slide

Facilitate

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**19** Closing and reflection

Discussion (if time allows):

- » What other questions do you have for each other before we end? Are there other issues or challenges that we haven't discussed yet?
- » What is one thing you will take away from today's discussion?

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**20** Thank you