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Family Planning Advisory Member:

Due to the lack of attendance, I was unable to hold the October 25th Family Planning Advisory meeting. I am sending a Family Planning update in place of meeting minutes.

Caseload FY2006-2007

Our current caseload is 1069 Title X FP users and 368 Plan First! users. Since this is the first year with the caseload being split, MDCH will not be strict when looking at whether we met each of these individual caseloads as much as meeting a combined caseload at 95%. Unfortunately our current statistical reports are reflecting the possibility of not meeting caseload this year. We have added some additional clinics in hopes of remedying this.

Caseload FY2007-2008

Lapeer has closed their Family Planning Program and is referring clients to either TCHD or Genesee County. As a result of this we are to receive a slightly higher caseload and funding allocation than previously thought, but still considerably lower than the past. Our caseload for FY 2007-2008 is 628 clients which does include 150 clients that were originally Lapeer's caseload.

Contraceptive Update

The latest in contraceptive method available is Implanon, an implanted match-like stick placed in the upper arm. Our Nurse Practitioner attended a training to learn how to insert Implanon, but we are not providing this service at TCHD at this time, but will refer out to another provider.

Client Satisfaction Survey

We conducted an Agency wide Client Satisfaction Survey in month of June. No significant comments were noted. Favorable results were received.

Manual

We are currently wrapping up Family Planning manual revisions. We anticipate that the manual will be presented to the Board of Health in November, no later than December, for approval. We are implementing several changes. Some changes include: suggestions presented to us by the auditors at accreditation, MDCH written method specific policies, restructuring of the male and female history forms to flow more as a review of systems, and that a one year supply of combined contraceptives (i.e. pills, patch, ring) is now 14 months and not 13 (in part because usually 14 are needed not to be short and Medicaid has changed reimbursement to allow 14).

Our next Family Planning Advisory meeting will be held on **April 24, 2008 @ 8:30-9:30 a.m.** at the Tuscola County Health Department. As the date approaches reminders will be mailed, please contact our office at that time if you are unable to attend. If you no longer wish to be a member of the Family Planning Advisory Committee please contact me as soon as possible so that I may have an opportunity to actively recruit a replacement member prior to the next meeting. I would like to stress that the importance of conducting these meetings is not only because it is a requirement of the Family Planning Program but also to receive community input.

Respectfully submitted by

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