

Postpartum Discharge Planning Checklist

For Persons with HIV and Their Newborns



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The intention of this checklist is to provide the recommended components of successful postpartum discharge planning for persons with HIV and their newborns, including follow-up care and recommended screening and counseling.

Please **alert** the **County of Los Angeles Department of Public Health, Division of HIV and STD Programs (DHSP)** of pregnant or postpartum clients with HIV and their newborns. We want to assist with linkage to a Perinatal HIV Specialty Center to support care coordination for the whole family.

Medication



- Antiretrovirals (ARVs) provided for parent (at least 1 month supply)
- ARVs provided for newborn based on specialist recommendations¹
- Contraception provided (if indicated)

Public Health Reporting



- Case Report Form(s) submitted to DHSP²
- Contact DHSP Linkage and Reengagement Program (LRP) for linkage support

Counseling and Screening



- Patient provided breast/chestfeeding counseling³
- Patient counseled on HIV status disclosure and available supports
- Patient provided contraceptive counseling
- Patient screened for maternal depression
- Patient screened for intimate partner violence

Follow-up Care



- HIV care appointment scheduled for both parent and newborn⁴
- Patient provided with key contact information for HIV care provider, pediatrician, and social support services⁴
- Warm hand-off facilitated with LRP and/or Perinatal HIV Specialty Center

¹ Contact the UCSF Perinatal Clinical Provider Hotline for dosing support at: 888-448-8765

² For HIV and STD Case report forms: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/dhsp/ReportCase.htm>

³ For more information about breast/chestfeeding for people living with HIV: <https://www.thewellproject.org/hiv-information/beebeah-building-equity-ethics-and-education-breastfeeding-and-hiv#Infographics>

⁴ The ideal situation is to plan for an integrated care visit for both parent and newborn at a Perinatal HIV Specialty Center. For a listing of Perinatal HIV Specialty Centers: http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/dhsp/Providers/Perinatal/PerinatalHIV%C2%AD-SpecialtyCentersGuide_FINAL_11.08.2022.pdf

DHSP Key Contacts

Linkage and Reengagement Program (LRP) Warmline
Monday to Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
(213) 639-4288

Clinical Guidance & Nursing Warmline
Monday to Friday 8:00 AM – 5:00 PM
(213) 368-7441

For questions related to Perinatal HIV Surveillance and Prevention Activities, contact Azita Naghdi at (323) 893-9095 or anaghdi@ph.lacounty.gov.

