Best Public Health Practice: Sexually Transmitted Diseases

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LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. List NC reportable sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)
2. Locate the case definitions for STDs
3. Identify North Carolina and CDC approved treatment regimens for STDs
4. Locate guidance for reporting STDs in NC EDSS
NORTH CAROLINA REPORTABLE STDS

- Chlamydia
- Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID)
- Syphilis
- Lymphogranuloma Venereum (LGV)
- Gonorrhea
- Non-Gonococcal Urethritis (NGU)
- Chancroid
- Granuloma Inguinale
- HIV/AIDS
CASE DEFINITIONS
TREATMENT GUIDELINES

New CDC Guidelines Arriving Fall 2010

http://www.cdc.gov/std/treatment/
REPORTING TIPS – NGU
Non-Gonococcal Urethritis

Report NGU after the gonorrhea culture or PCR is received and reported as “N. gonorrhea not found”

- Cannot report NGU if gonorrhea culture or PCR is positive
- Enter gram stain results as well as the results of the gonorrhea culture or PCR showing “N. gonorrhea not found”
- Report **NGU** if
  - gram stain is not done
  - gonorrhea test is negative on a male with urethral discharge.
REPORTING TIPS – PID
Pelvic Inflammatory Disease

- For reporting purposes, a physician’s report of PID may be counted as a case with or without clinical criteria being reported.
- PID should be reported as NC Disease Code 490 whether the gonorrhea and chlamydia tests are negative or positive.
REPORTING TIPS
Genital Ulcer Diseases

Clients with a genital ulcer disease must be referred to the Disease Intervention Specialist (DIS) for partner notification.

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REPORTING TIPS
STDs in Children

- Investigation process includes verification that Department of Social Services (DSS) is notified regarding an STD in a child under the age of twelve

- Document referral to DSS in the notes section of the dashboard in NC EDSS
REPORTING TIPS
Ophthalmia Neonatorum & Pneumonia

Watch for positive chlamydia/gonorrhea labs in infants with conjunctivitis or pneumonia

- Contact Obstetrician
- Document treatment of mother & sex partner
- Record the treatment in NC EDSS notes on dashboard
ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR NC EDSS REPORTING