

County of San Diego Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program

Prenatal Care Provider Information Sheet

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The **County of San Diego Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program (PHPP)** provides case management and support to local mothers, families, and medical providers with the goal of preventing perinatal, or mother-to-baby, transmission of Hepatitis B virus infection.

Prenatal Care Providers and Prenatal Clinics please:

- **Order** Hepatitis B Surface Antigen (HBsAg) for all pregnant women
 - ◆ Required by California Health and Safety Codes (125080 and 125085)
 - ◆ The recommendation is to be tested for Hepatitis B with each pregnancy, even if she has been tested during a previous pregnancy
- **Contact** County of San Diego's PHPP to notify us when a pregnant patient under your care is Hepatitis B positive
- **Order** Hepatitis B Virus DNA (HBV DNA) quantitative testing to determine the woman's level of infectivity
 - ◆ Hepatitis B Virus DNA (HBV DNA) $\geq 20,000$ IU/mL is associated with an increased risk of perinatal transmission of hepatitis B virus
 - ◆ All Hepatitis B positive women should be referred to a specialist to see if any further evaluation and/or treatment is warranted
 - ◆ Please refer to Screening and Referral Algorithm for Hepatitis B Virus Infection Among Pregnant Women on CDC's website: https://www.cdc.gov/hepatitis/hbv/pdfs/prenatalhbsagtesting_508.pdf
- **Document** a clear note in patient's prenatal record indicating patient's Hepatitis B positive status
- **Send** patient's Hepatitis B lab to the planned delivery hospital
- **Notify** and **educate** your patient that she will receive a call from one of our nurse case managers to introduce her to the PHPP
 - ◆ Please provide your patient our county's parents and guardians' brochure that has information about our program. Please email or call us if you do not currently have the brochure
 - ◆ Please have these brochures readily available in your office to give to patients when they visit
 - ◆ Please contact us if you would like to receive additional Hepatitis B resources for your patients and we would be happy to send them to you



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