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Routine Screening for HIV Standing Order

Purpose

National recommendations urge providers to include HIV testing as a routine part of their patients' healthcare. Routine HIV testing ensures more people learn whether they are infected with HIV, allowing them to benefit from earlier access to treatment and reduce the risk of infecting their partners. Studies have shown that screening for HIV based on risk factor assessment alone may miss 20% to 25% of HIV-positive individuals who report no risk factors.

Who Should Be Trained

Any team member employed, contracted, or volunteering with SRCHC including but not limited to medical assistants, nursing staff, dental staff, and outreach staff.

Laboratory Performed Test

Competent staff may transcribe the standing order into the EHR and transmit the lab order for an HIV test to be performed by a laboratory (Le. Quest, LabCorp, Sutter, etc.).

Rapid Test

As rapid HIV tests are CLIA waived tests, CLIA requires that persons who perform rapid HIV tests must be evaluated for competency during orientation and annually thereafter. Waived testing competency must be assessed using at least two of the following methods per person per test:

- Performance of a test on a blind specimen
- Periodic observation of routine work by the supervisor or qualified designee
- Monitoring of each user's quality control performance
- Use of a written test specific to the test assessed

Competent staff who are certified by the California Department of Public Health as a Certified HIV/HCV Test Counselor may order a test, perform it, and give negative or positive results. Competent staff who are not certified may transcribe the standing order into the EHR and perform an HIV test using a rapid HIV test.

Standing Order

Who Should Receive an HIV Test

- All persons ages 15 and older without a documented HIV test lab result in the health record
- Any person ages 12 and older who requests an HIV test
- Any person with an HIV indicator clinical condition needs diagnostic HIV testing: Examples:
 - Any new Sexually Transmitted Infection (Syphilis, Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, other)
 - Tuberculosis (Latent or Active)

- Viral Hepatitis (C or B)
- Cervical or Anal Dysplasia
- Cancer
- Any pregnant person
- Any person with ongoing risk for HIV infections should receive a test at least annually

Counseling, Documentation, and Insurance

- Prevention counseling is NOT required with HIV diagnostic testing
- Instead of required written consent, California law (Health and Safety Code Section 120990(a)) requires medical care providers to do the following before ordering an HIV test:
 - Advise the patient that an HIV test is planned;
 - Provide information about the HIV test;
 - Inform the patient that there are numerous treatment options available for a patient who tests positive for HIV and that a person who tests negative for HIV should continue to be routinely tested;
 - Advise the patient that he or she has the right to decline the HIV test;
- If not insured, then enroll the patient in F-PACT and refer to Certified Application Assistant.
- Staff assigns diagnosis codes on progress note: ICD10: Z11.4 Encounter for screening for human immunodeficiency virus [HIV] F-PACT: Z30.9 "Encounter for contraceptive management, unspecified"
- Staff transcribes the order and transmits lab: "HIV 1/2 AG/AB, FOURTH GEN. W /RFL" or
- Staff certified to performed CLIA-waived rapid HIV test transcribes the order and performs: "HIV Rapid" lab

Related Documents and Forms

- 220-06 Routine HIV Testing in the Clinic Setting Policy and Procedure

Regulatory and/or Governing Body

- Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments (CLIA) for Waived Testing -Rapid Testing
- Joint Commission WT.03.01.01 EP 5 -Competency for CLIA Waived Tests

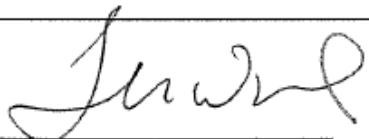
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This procedure supersedes the following archived standing orders:

- 171-06 VIDA Care Team Standing Order: Routine HIV Screening
- 130-08 Brookwood Health Center Standing Order: Routine HIV Screening



 Lisa Ward, MD
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