Long Acting Reversible Contraception (LARC) Learning Community Launch

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Teen pregnancy

840
Every day, 840 teens 15–19 years old give birth in the U.S.

9X
Teen births in the U.S. are up to 9 times higher than in most other developed countries

1 of 16
1 out of 16 new mothers is a teen

$9.4B
Teen childbearing costs U.S. taxpayers $9.4 billion every year
CDC’s Winnable Battles

- CDC's Winnable Battles are public health priorities with large-scale impact on health and with known, effective strategies to address them.

- The current Winnable Battles have been chosen based on the magnitude of the health problems and our ability to make significant progress in improving outcomes. By identifying priority strategies and clear targets and by working closely with our public health partners, we can make significant progress in reducing health disparities and the overall health burden from these diseases and conditions.

http://www.cdc.gov/winnablebattles/
Teen Pregnancy: A Winnable Battle

- Reduce rates of teen pregnancy

- Key Actions
  - Monitor teen pregnancy/birth rates and prevention policies
  - Promote the delay of sexual initiation through evidence-based programs and social norm changes
  - Expand the reach of Medicaid family planning services
  - Promote the use of effective contraceptive methods, including long-acting reversible contraception, by sexually active teens
Relevant Clinical Recommendations

U.S. Selected Practice Recommendations for Contraceptive Use, 2013
Adapted from the World Health Organization Selected Practice Recommendations for Contraceptive Use, 2nd Edition

Providing Quality Family Planning Services
Recommendations of CDC and the U.S. Office of Population Affairs

U.S. Medical Eligibility Criteria for Contraceptive Use, 2010
Adapted from the World Health Organization Medical Eligibility Criteria for Contraceptive Use, 4th edition
Future Efforts

- Support CMCS’ Maternal and Infant Health initiative
- Work with OPA to implement clinical recommendations in Title X program
- Partner with National Association of Community Health Centers to implement QFP in health centers
How this Learning Collaborative will strengthen these other efforts

- Identify ways to address implementation challenges to an important barrier, i.e., postpartum LARC insertion

- Inform future efforts to remove other barriers to providing quality family planning services
  - Identify solutions
  - How to communicate within and across states

- Roadmap for future efforts to strengthen contraceptive service delivery in Medicaid & other programs.