

Community Colleagues,

We are reaching out to inform you that starting today June 17, 2022, we will be offering free Long Acting Reversible Contraceptive (LARC) services for all patients regardless of ability to pay. This will include the consult visit, insertion procedure, and the device itself. We welcome any referrals as our goal is to eliminate the financial barrier to these devices. Clients with insurance will have their insurance billed for services but the client will not be balance billed for this public health service, so there will not be an out-of-pocket expense to them. We anticipate offering this service to our communities through the end of the calendar year.

These devices will be available for any individual who wants a LARC and meets qualifications as clinically indicated. We must be reasonably certain a patient isn't pregnant at the time of placement. If we are not able to be reasonably sure patient is not pregnant, more than one visit may be needed. We ask that as you refer patients for this service, counsel them to continue their current method until LARC placement or use a temporary method of contraception for several weeks prior to insertion such as condoms or abstinence.

If you complete a consult in your clinic for a LARC, we ask that you send a copy of your consult note with the patient to their appointment or fax a copy to 1-866-219-0521. However, we are happy to provide the consult as well as placement.

Patients may schedule in our Boise clinic Monday through Friday, as well as our Elmore and Valley County clinics pending provider availability. We offer the option for discreet communication and privacy for individuals who don't want family members to be aware of their contraception choices.

IUD options include Paragard, Mirena, and Liletta. We will also offer Nexplanon subdermal implants.

We look forward to collaboration with our community partners as we provide this service for individuals in our community.

Thank you,

Central District Health Clinic Team