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HIV Screening and Adolescents:
Lessons Learned and Questions Raised while Integrating Routine HIV Screening

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Our Programs

- Southside Medical Center
  - Federally Qualified Health Center
  - Health care for insured, uninsured, and under-insured
  - PCMH JACCHO certified
  - Primary Care Center
  - Service: Dental, Optometry, Pediatrics, Women's Health, Internal Medicine, and Behavioral Health
  - Locations: Ridge Ave, Cleveland Ave, Gresham Rd, Norcross, Riverdale, Forest Park, Butts County

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JC1 what does your pediatric practice looks like...
Clemons, Jacquel, 4/17/2014

Our Programs

- Saint Joseph Mercy Care
  - Federally Qualified CHC
  - Designated Healthcare for the Homeless provider
  - PCMH Certification
  - Early Intervention Clinic
  - Prevention Program
  - PMC: 1 Pediatrician, Family Medicine Providers
    - City of Refuge
    - Mercy Care North
    - Mercy Care Downtown

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Routine Screening

Implementation

- 2006 CDC Recommendation on HIV Screening
- Consent language added to general consent for treatment.
- Brochures developed for pre-test counseling requirement
- CMA's/Provider process
- Electronic Health Record modifications
- Linkage to care
- Quality Program monitoring data outcomes (PCMH and UDS reporting requirement for 2014)

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Goals of Routine Screening Initiative

- Make routine HIV screening a standard of medical care!
- Reduce the number of undiagnosed individuals, decrease the number of those who are diagnosed late and ensure strong linkage to care and treatment
- Expand dialogue on increasing HIV diagnosis and access to care
- Change public perceptions about the benefits of knowing one's status and overcome HIV-related stigma

2013 Outcomes & Findings

- SJMCS
  - Offer rate: 47%
  - Test rate: 72%
    - 5433 screened
      - 38 newly diagnosed
      - 42 previously known diagnosed

    1% Sero-positivity

- SMC
  - Offer rate 100%
  - Acceptance rate 35- 40%
    - 9,326 tested
      - 47 newly diagnosed
      - 13 previously known diagnosed

    1% Sero-positivity

selection
site
outreach
staff
primary
laboratory
home
software
protocol
resources
health
clinician
new
record
medical
electronic
referral
existing
support
training
partnerships
commitments

Challenges

- Consenting minors
- Provider attitudes and beliefs
- Cultural competency
- Confidentiality-Right to consent
- Adolescents' own fear, denial and cultural perspectives
- Linkage to care
  - Emancipated –Versus-Unemanacipated

Implications of Routine Screening for Adolescents in Georgia

- Affordable Care Act
- Increase Access to screening (funding requirement in 2014)
- Late Linkage
- Missed Opportunities

Cases

Heterosexual, black female

- **Age 24**
- **Annual exam, +Chlamydia**
- **Established patient**
- **Placed in HIV care with SMC physician**

MSM, black male

- **Age 17**
- **Annual exam**
- **Established patient**
- **Placed in HIV care with Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness**

Heterosexual

Black female

Age 14, pregnant

Established patient

Collaborated with health department to facilitate linkage to care

VL @ diagnosis: 600,000

CD4 @ diagnosis: 313

Lessons Learned & Questions Raised

- How can the recommendations fuel changes of policies?
- What can be done so that the current health care/policy infrastructure provides support of screening? And treatment of youth?
- Where are the providers? How do we expand our current workforce to address the need?
- Funding?

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Thank you.

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