

# Interconception Care and Health Centers

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# Community Health Centers: Post-Hurricane Katrina

- Greater New Orleans Community Health Connection
  - September 2010 approval of Louisiana 1115 Medicaid Waiver – Greater New Orleans Community Health Connection (GNOCHC)
  - This Waiver ensures that uninsured adults (19 – 64 years) who fall <200% FPL can continue to access services through the Primary Care Access Stabilization Grant (PCASG) network funded by CMS post Hurricane Katrina to restore and expand outpatient primary care services.



# Interconception Care Enhancement to GNOCHC 1115 Waiver

- June 2012, CMS approved an enhancement to the 1115 primary and behavioral health care in federally qualified health centers demonstration
  - Added Interconception Care (ICC) case management to GNOCHC Waiver, delivered by Healthy Start New Orleans
  - Eligible population: women with recent low birth weight and/or preterm birth, fetal death > 20 weeks gestation, or infant death



# Engaged Community Health Centers in Interconception Care

- Louisiana Public Health Institute (LPHI) was grantee of 1 of 17 funded Beacon Community Grant Programs of the Office of the National Coordinator for Health Information Technology
- Implemented HIT and quality improvement in cardiovascular disease and diabetes management
- Baptist Community Ministeries, the largest foundation in state, funded LPHI to conduct an interconception care initiative in Greater New Orleans area Community Health Centers, building on Beacon infrastructure



# Beacon Grant Successes

- Care transition: region's first real-time automatic notification system from emergency department to patient-centered medical homes
- Clinical transformation practice coaching program by Primary Care Development Corporation in 16 clinics
- Quality improvement efforts in 4 hospital systems and more than 20 primary care practices
- Clinical seminar series for community providers to share best practices

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# Interconception Care: Greater New Orleans Community Health Centers

- Adapted Grady Memorial Hospital's Interpregnancy Care Study's components
  - Anne Dunlop of Grady contracted as trainer/consultant for Interconception Care Learning Collaborative with quarterly seminars:
    - ICC care; family/reproductive planning and STI's; behavioral health; chronic disease management; care coordination
- Primary Care Development Corporation conducts quarterly learning sessions and practice transformation monthly coaching calls
- All GNOCHC FQHC's are invited to learning sessions



# LPHI and 4 FQHCs Signed Charter:

## Interconception Care Center for Excellence

### **To test and carefully build ICC system:**

- Establish change team including clinical champion, nurse, behavioral health provider, care coordinator, and health information technology staff
- Develop and implement processes in the community health centers for identifying women at risk for future poor birth outcomes & set up processes for tracking women identified
- Create systematic care transition with hospitals, payers, OB providers
- Process and outcome data reporting in EMR



# 1. Targeting High Risk Women

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Develop a  
Screening Process  
to Identify Them

Start a Registry List  
of High Risk  
Women

Develop protocols  
for coordination  
and provision of  
care for High Risk  
Women





# Recommended Criteria for Women who are High Risk for Future Poor Birth Outcomes

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## 1. Hx of low birth weight or pre-term delivery

- < 2500 grams
- Born before 37 weeks
- Fetal death or stillbirth

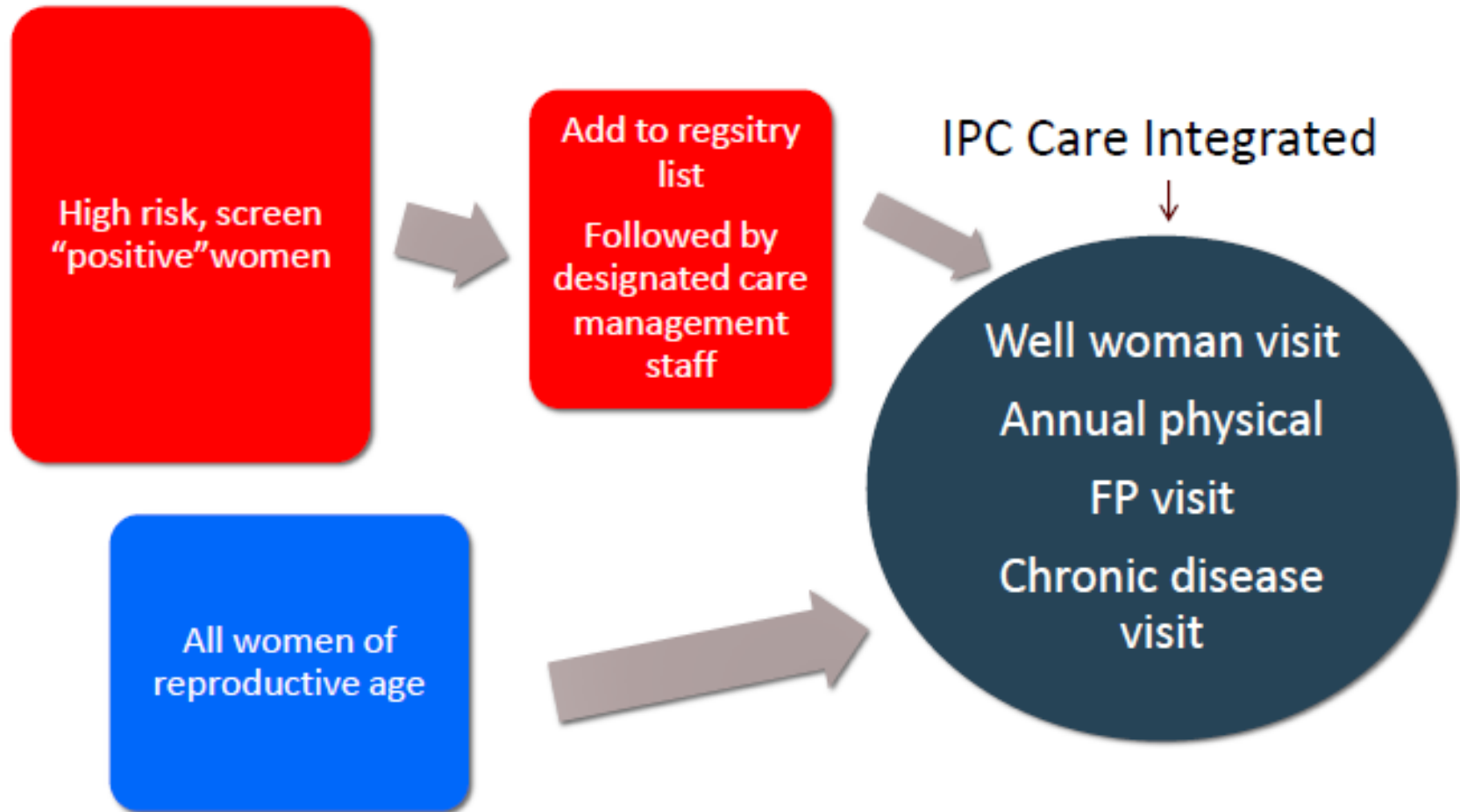
## 2. Hx of high risk pregnancy

- gestational diabetes, pregnancy induced hypertension
- pre-eclampsia, eclampsia

## 3. Current chronic disease or medical condition

- Hypertension
- Cardiovascular disease
- Diabetes
- Seizure Disorder

# High Risk Women Get Care Management/Care Coordination



# Coaching T/A Calls with Centers of Excellence

- Discuss how to integrate ICC into routine visits
  - New patient visit
  - Well-woman
  - Family planning,
  - Chronic disease visits
- Which tools/forms from Grady Memorial Hospital IPC Project would best fit into the clinic system?
  - Reproductive Life Plan?
  - Risk Assessment?



# Complete Risk Assessment

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- **Reproductive life plan**
  - Have they made one?
- **Risk for unintended pregnancy or short pregnancy interval**
  - Are they at risk and have they been counselled?
- **OB and Contraceptive history**
  - Did you ask? What did you ask?
- **Chronic health conditions and medications:**
  - Would they affect a pregnancy? Patient counselled?
- **Tobacco , alcohol and substance abuse**
  - Are they using these? Counselled on effects on reproductive health and future pregnancy? Receiving help?
- **Depression, social stressors, and IPV**
  - Are these conditions present? Are they receiving help?
- **Nutritional status**
  - Have you assessed it?

# Centers for Excellence: Process

## Data & Reporting Results

- Each of the centers collect and report on:
  - Chronic conditions and associated test results
  - Contraceptives by type
  - Substance use screening and treatment
  - Depression screening
  - Domestic Violence screening



# Centers for Excellence: Process Data & Reporting Results

- Few centers conduct/collect and/or report on:
  - Reproductive life plan
  - Child spacing counseling
  - How chronic conditions and substance use affect a pregnancy
  - Folic acid supplementation



# Measures

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# of clients with reproductive plans assessment

# of clients counseled about child-spacing

# Next Steps

- EMR changes for gaps in essential ICC components such as Reproductive Life Plan and Birth Spacing Counseling
- ICC Manual to include: educational materials developed for this model, case studies, and other tools to assist in planning, implementation, and sustainability
- Referral system from hospital obstetric and neonatal departments, Medicaid MCOs, obstetricians

