



County of San Diego Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program

Prenatal Care Provider Information Sheet

The **County of San Diego Perinatal Hepatitis B Prevention Program (PHPP)** provides case management and support to local mothers, families, and medical providers with the goal of preventing perinatal, or mother-to-baby, transmission of hepatitis B virus infection.

Prenatal Care Providers and Prenatal Clinics please:

- **Order** hepatitis B surface antigen (HBsAg) for all pregnant women
 - ◆ Required by California Health and Safety Codes (125080 and 125085)
 - ◆ The recommendation is to be tested for hepatitis B with each pregnancy, even if she has been tested during a previous pregnancy
- **Contact** County of San Diego's PHPP to notify us when a pregnant patient under your care is hepatitis B positive
- **Order** hepatitis B virus DNA (HBV DNA) quantitative testing to determine the woman's level of infectivity
 - ◆ Hepatitis B virus DNA (HBV DNA) $\geq 200,000$ IU/mL is associated with an increased risk of perinatal transmission of hepatitis B virus
 - ◆ All hepatitis B positive women should be referred to a specialist to see if any further evaluation and/or treatment is warranted
 - ◆ Please refer to CDC's website: [Screening and Referral Algorithm for Hepatitis B Virus \(HBV\) Infection Among Pregnant Women](#)
- **Document** a clear note in patient's prenatal record indicating patient's hepatitis B positive status
- **Send** patient's hepatitis B laboratory results to the planned delivery hospital
- **Notify** and **educate** your patient that she will receive a call from a public health nurse case manager to introduce her to the PHPP
 - ◆ Please provide your patient our county's parents and guardians' brochure that has information about our program. Please email or call us if you do not currently have the brochure
 - ◆ Please have these brochures readily available in your office to give to patients when they visit
 - ◆ Please contact us if you would like to receive additional hepatitis B resources for your patients and we would be happy to send them to you



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