

DESCRIPTION AND PURPOSE OF THE CORE CLINICAL SERVICE GUIDE

The **Core Clinical Service Guide** contains clinical protocols for local health department (LHD) nurses that have been identified as Core Public Health Services by the Kentucky Department for Public Health (DPH). The purpose of this document is to clearly identify minimum program/grant requirements and provide information that will support LHD operation.

This reference contains guidelines and protocols for LHD to use in providing services. Each section is divided into two categories: clinical protocol for a LHD nurse and information required for LHD patient case management. Guidelines are recommendations for patient management that identify and/or support the use of a range of patient care interventions and approaches. Protocols are authoritative statements requiring a physician's signature. In addition to these guidelines, nurses providing WIC services will follow all the federally approved WIC guidelines, policies and procedures in the WIC and Nutrition Services Manual and the Administrative Reference for WIC services.

These guidelines and protocols represent levels of care considered appropriate for staff at LHDs and are intended to be used without modification, unless a higher level of care is desired and supported at the local level. It is the responsibility of local staff, as appropriate, to develop additional guidelines and protocols that are desired at the local level. The Core Clinical Service Guide is not all-inclusive and does not supersede professional judgment, or the Kentucky Nurse Practice Act.

See:

1. [KRS 314.011\(8\); 314.042\(8\); and 201 KAR 20:057](#) for Kentucky Nursing Practice
2. [KY Board of Nursing – Scope of Practice Determination Guidelines](#)
3. [KBN Advisory Opinion Statement #14 – Roles of Nurses in the Implementation of Patient Care Orders](#)
4. [KBN Advisory Opinion Statement #15 – Role of Nurses in the Supervision and Delegation of Nursing Acts to Unlicensed Personnel](#)


Deputy Commissioner, KY Department for Public Health

December 10, 2015
Date

Medical Director

Date

Local Health Department

FAMILY PLANNING STANDING ORDERS:

Physical Exam Deferral:

Provide three month supply of current method, DMPA, Ortho Evra® Patch, NuvaRing® or the following oral contraceptives:

Initial

_____ Date

Approved ECP method and dosing:

Initial

_____ Date

The intent of the clinical guidelines and protocols is to serve as a reference in the areas of adult and pediatric public health clinical practice. These guidelines and protocols are based on acceptable standards of care endorsed by, but not limited to the following:

Name	Website
American Academy of Pediatric Dentistry	www.aapd.org
American Academy of Pediatrics	www.aap.org
American Cancer Society	www.cancer.org
American College of Nurse-Midwives	www.acnm.org
American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology	www.acog.org
American Diabetes Association	www.diabetes.org
American Dietetic Association	www.eatright.org
American Heart Association	www.americanheart.org
American Lung Association	www.lungusa.org
American Medical Association	www.ama-assn.org
American Nurses Association	www.nursingworld.org
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention	www.cdc.gov
March of Dimes Birth Defects Foundation	www.marchofdimes.com
National Breast & Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program	www.cdc.gov/cancer/

Other helpful web sites and resources are:

Name	Website
Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices (ACIP)	www.cdc.gov/vaccines/recs/ACIP
American Dental Association	www.ada.org
American Public Health Organization	www.apha.org
Arthritis Foundation	www.arthritis.org
Association of State & Territorial Health Organizations	www.astho.org
Dept. for Health and Human Services	www.os.dhhs.gov/
Department for Public Health Website	http://chfs.ky.gov/dph/
Disease Links	www.nursing-links.com/diseases/
Environmental Protection Agency	www.epa.gov/enviro
First Candle/National SIDS Alliance	www.firstcandle.org
Food & Drug Administration (FDA)	www.fda.gov
Healthfinder	www.healthfinder.gov
Immunization Action Coalition	http://www.immunize.org/
Internet Drug List	www.rxlist.com
Johns Hopkins Medical Library	www.welch.jhu.edu/
Kids Health	http://kidshealth.org
KY Board of Nursing	www.kbn.ky.gov
March of Dimes	www.marchofdimes.com/
Mayo Clinic	www.mayohealth.org
Medicine Net	www.medicinenet.com
Medline Plus Newborn Screening	www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/newbornscreening.html
Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report (MMWR)	www.cdc.gov/mmwr/
National Breast Cancer Foundation	www.nationalbreastcancer.org
National Cancer Institute (NCI)	www.nci.nih.gov
National Center for Infectious Diseases	www.cdc.gov/ncidod/
National Institutes of Health (NIH)	www.nih.gov
National Library of Medicine	www.nlm.nih.gov
National Newborn Screening & Genetics Resource	http://genes-r-us.uthscsa.edu/

Name	Website
National Organization for Rare Disorders	www.rare diseases.org/
Occupational Safety & Health Administration (OSHA)	www.osha.gov
Physicians' Desk Reference (PDR)	www.pdr.net
Proper Disposal of Prescription Drugs	http://www.whitehouse.gov/ondcp
Save Babies Through Screening Foundation	www.savebabies.org/
Tabers Online	www.tabers.com
UK Medical Center Library	www.mc.uky.edu/MedLibrary
Vaccines for Foreign Travel	www.cdc.gov/travel/default.aspx
World Health Organization (WHO)	www.who.int