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TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION

Control 420 Alabama Department of Public Health

Rule Number 420-4-1 Appendix II

Rule Title Routine Prenatal Screening for Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD)

New  Amend  XXXX Repeal  Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare or safety? Yes

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? n/a

Are all facts of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of and so they have as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of §41-22-23, Code of Alabama, 1975.

Certification of Authorized Official

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama, 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Reference Service.

Signature of Certifying Officer Fabrice E. Gie Date 9/19/2014



APPENDIX II

ATTACHMENT TO RULE 420-4-1-.14

Routine Prenatal Screening for Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD)

Test	Initial Prenatal Visit	Third Trimester	Labor and Delivery (L&D)	Comments
All tests must be FDA approved				
Syphilis	Indicated for all women	Indicated based on positive risk assessment* (28 weeks gestation)	Indicated for all women	
HIV	Indicated for all women not previously confirmed as HIV infected	Offer if not done before	Offer if not done before	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Document patient refusal</li> <li>• Patients who declined testing should be offered test again during 3<sup>rd</sup> trimester and/or in L&amp;D</li> <li>• Confirmatory test indicated prior to notifying patient except when patient presents to L&amp;D with no prenatal care; in this case, perform rapid test and follow up with confirmatory testing.</li> </ul>
Chlamydia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age 24 and younger: Indicated for all women</li> <li>• Age 25 and older: Indicated if unmarried OR based on positive risk assessment*</li> </ul>	Indicated based on positive risk assessment*	Indicated based on positive risk assessment*	
Gonorrhea	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Age 24 and younger: Indicated for all women</li> <li>• Age 25 and older: Indicated if unmarried OR based on positive risk assessment*</li> </ul>	Indicated based on positive risk assessment*		

No Prenatal Care – Patient Presents at Delivery

Test	Labor and Delivery
Syphilis	Indicated for all women
HIV	Indicated for all women not previously confirmed as HIV infected—use rapid test first and then a confirmatory test
Chlamydia	Indicated if clinically feasible
Gonorrhea	Indicated if clinically feasible

\*Positive Risk Assessment – Presence of one or more risk factors including, but not limited to, a history of:  
 Multiple sex partners or an at-risk partner during the pregnancy • STD during the pregnancy  
 Use of illicit drugs • Exchanging sex for money or drugs

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~~**Statutory Authority:** Code of Ala. 1975, §§22-2-2(6), 22-11A-1, et. seq.~~

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