



2.7.7 RECOMMENDED SCREENINGS FOR TITLE X / COMPREHENSIVE CARE

POLICY:

As many family planning clients have no other health care providers, all family planning clinicians (providers of client care) should be trained to offer all family planning and related preventive health screening services to provide optimal care to clients.

[Checklists for Family planning and related preventive health services \(rhntc.org\)](http://rhntc.org)

PROCEDURE:

The ND FPP program encourages the use of client visits to provide the following screenings and further counseling for all clients at the initial history appointment and review screenings annually.

- Tobacco, drug and alcohol screening, see ND FPP policy 2.7.8 Substance Abuse Screening (SBIRT)
- Screening services such as, medical history; cervical cytology; clinical breast examination; mammography; and pelvic and genital examination should be provided for clients without a primary care provider, where applicable, and consistent with nationally recognized standards of care.
- STI Screening, see ND FPP policy 2.7.2

Intimate partner violence and sexual violence:

- Providers should screen all clients for current and past intimate partner sexual or domestic violence and provide or refer women who screen positive to intervention services, in accordance with USPSTF (Grade B) recommendations.
- The medical history should screen for signs of current or past violence and providers should ask clients about relationship issues.
- Clients experiencing intimate partner violence or sexual violence should be offered information on area resources and/or referral for appropriate care.
- Legislative mandates must be followed for minors.

Human trafficking:

Providers should Consider these Red Flags* in assessment and counseling:

- Someone else is speaking for the patient
- Patient is not aware of his/her location, the current date, or time
- Patient exhibits fear, anxiety, Post Traumatic Stress Disorder (PTSD), submission, or tension
- Patient shows signs of physical/sexual abuse, medical neglect, or torture
- Patient is reluctant to explain his/her injury
- have an unstable living situation
- have run away or are involved in the juvenile justice or child welfare system
- are facing poverty or economic need
- clothing is inappropriate for weather or circumstance



Clients experiencing trafficking should be offered a referral for appropriate care and/or law enforcement involvement. If an emergency or immediate threat is identified, call 911.

Clinician or any individual in a healthcare setting may be in a position to identify human trafficking and may report tips to the ND Human Trafficking Task Force via the North Dakota State and Local Intelligence Center via <https://www.ndslic.nd.gov/human-trafficking> or by calling the Human Trafficking National Hotline at 1-888-373-7888

[Framework for a Human Trafficking Protocol in Healthcare Settings.pdf \(humantraffickinghotline.org\)](#)

Immunizations:

Providers should screen for immunization status in accordance with recommendations of CDC's Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices and offer vaccination, as indicated, or provide referrals to community providers for immunization.

[Immunization Schedules for Healthcare Professionals | CDC](#)

ZIKA screening:

During an epidemic and in endemic areas, screening for exposure and/or signs and symptoms is performed at each prenatal visit. Zika counseling may be provided as applicable during the FP visit including preconception counseling.

RESOURCES:

ND Human Trafficking Task Force [North Dakota Human Trafficking Task Force \(ndhttf.org\)](#)

AAFP (American Academy of Family Physicians)

[Screen All Women of Reproductive Age for Domestic Violence \(aafp.org\)](#)

ND DHHS Sexual Violence and Intimate Partner Violence Prevention Toolkit
[North Dakota Prevention Tool Kit \(ndhealth.gov\)](#)

U. S. Preventive Services Taskforce

[A and B Recommendations | United States Preventive Services Taskforce](#)

[\(uspreventiveservicestaskforce.org\)](#)

ND FPP policy: 2.7.1 Comprehensive Health History

ND FPP policy 2.7.8 Substance Abuse Screening (SBIRT)

ND FPP policy 2.7.2 STI Testing and Treatment

ND FPP protocol: HM 2 Preventive Health Visit

ND FPP protocol: HM 5 Health Screenings

ND FPP protocol: HM 11 Abuse and Violence