

FPMTC GUIDELINES FOR RESPONDING TO CLINICAL UPDATE REQUESTS

Overall Objective of Clinical Updates: To impart better knowledge and understanding of the issues that are important to males in family planning and reproductive health information, education programs, and clinical services, and to facilitate the skills of providers in these.

Target Audience for Clinical Updates: Family planning clinicians, counselors and health educators participating in selected Title X-sponsored regional training events throughout the United States;

Specific Objectives of Clinical Updates:

- 1) To increase the knowledge base of providers on issues pertaining to delivering effective male programs;
- 2) To increase the skills base of providers on issues pertaining to delivering effective male programs;

Comments: These presentations will focus on issues that support male programs, and that motivate programs to initiate or expand their male involvement.

FPMTC contributions are limited to the following three activities:

- 1) linking the requester with a professional trainer in the specific area of interest;
- 2) providing limited matching financial support to enable the requester to hire a professional trainer;
- 3) facilitating the production and dissemination of training materials (e.g., video, CD or other distance learning modes);

Guidelines:

Requests for clinical updates are considered when they are received. There is no required form for clinical update requests. Letters, phone calls and email requests are accepted. Requests should include the title and format of the session, the approximate number of attendees, the learning objectives and evaluation plan, and if financial support is requested, the qualifications of the trainer, the amount of support requested and the matching component. If FPMTC provides financial support for the session the evaluation results from the session must be provided to FPMTC. In responding to initial requests FPMTC staff will ask for any additional information needed.

Each request will be evaluated by the following criteria:

- 1) Is the request timely?
- 2) Does the request involve collaboration between the requesting party and the FPMTC?
- 3) Has the topic requested been identified as a priority need in FPMTC needs assessments?
- 4) Does the requester have the capacity and capability of carrying out their part of the activity?
- 5) If the request is for support to hire a trainer: Is the trainer deemed qualified?
- 6) Are resources available to respond to the request?

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