



Public Health Prenatal Programs in Two Health Authorities in BC

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Learning Objectives

- Understand the provincial public health service goals for pregnant women, both universal and enhanced, including why women may benefit from public health support during pregnancy
- Be able to describe how women in NH and VCH can access public health prenatal services, and what services are available

 Have increased knowledge of the role of public health nurses supporting pregnant women

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Healthy Eating

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Healthy Lifestyles

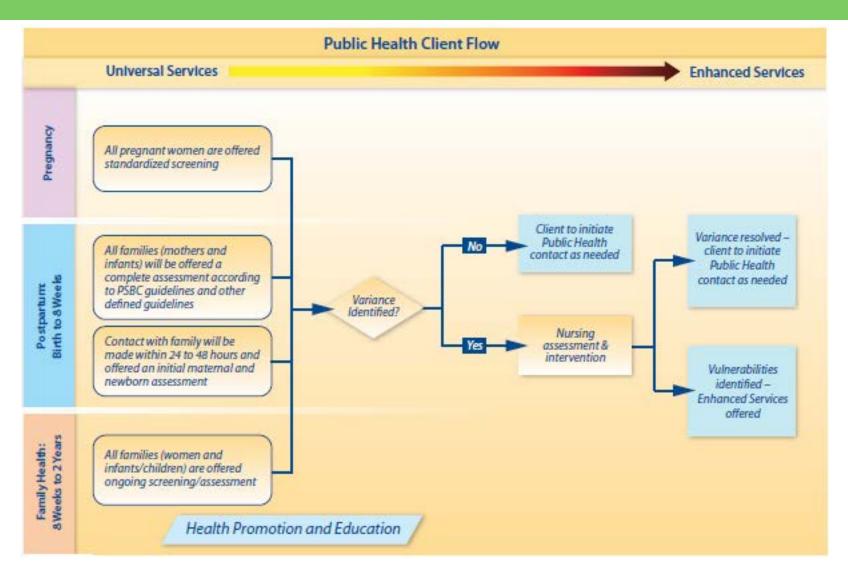
Provincial Healthy Start Initiative

Healthy Start Initiative: Provincial Perinatal, Child and Family Public Health Services

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Public Health Client Flow



Provincial Prenatal Public Health Services

1. Prenatal
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Services

1.1. Universal Service Statement

All pregnant women are offered standardized screening, health promotion and education (supported by resources such Baby's Best Chance), and intervention, including referral as needed.

1.2 Enhanced Service Statement

Women identified as vulnerable through screening/referral will be offered nursing assessment, health promotion and education and more intensive follow-up including enrolment in enhanced services and referral as need and vulnerability are indicated.

Role of the Public Health Nurse (PHN)

- PH efforts shifted "upstream" for improvements to maternal, child and family health
- PHNs meet women where they are at...providing them with information and resources to support them in making healthier choices
- PHNs employ an equity lens to focus interventions toward vulnerable women (women who may be at risk for poor outcomes associated with lifestyle/behavioral, psychosocial or environmental risk factors and concerns)
- Improve early access to community prenatal supports and services

Prenatal Priorities for Public Health

Nutrition

- Food security
- Food safety
- Breastfeeding
- Maternal nutrition (includes nutrients such as folic acid, iron, multivitamins, essential fatty acids)
- Healthy weight gain

Healthy Relationships

- Support system
- Sexuality
- Violence against women in relationships

Healthy Lifestyles

- Exercise/activity
- Tobacco use
- Alcohol.
- Problematic substance use

Health Care/Physical Well-being

- Access to primary care provider
- Chronic disease
- Oral health
- Communicable diseases and immunization

Mental Health

- Perinatal depression and anxiety
- Coping
- Other mental health concerns

Preparation for Parenthood

Injury Prevention

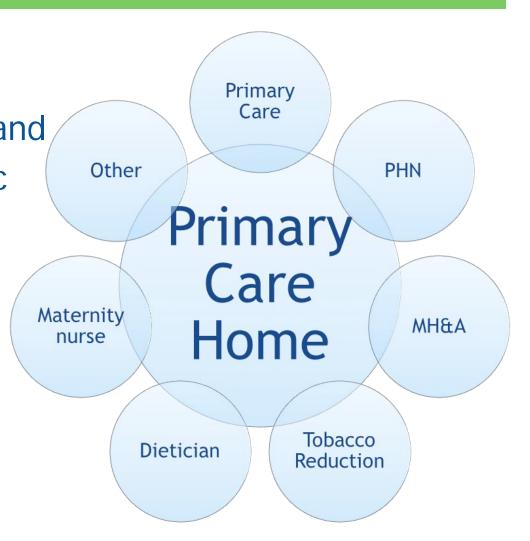
Safety in pregnancy

Preparation for Birth

NH Prenatal Services - the Prenatal Registry

NH Goal:

Prenatal registration and connection to a public health nurse for all pregnant women to increase access to perinatal care and education



NH Prenatal Registry

Universal Services

- Provision of prenatal health information (includes a prenatal registration package)
- Prenatal registration & vulnerability screening through a self-referral questionnaire and/or Antenatal Record completion

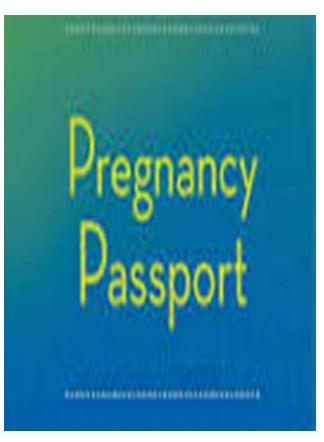
Enhanced Services

- PHN Support for families living in conditions of poverty, those with depression and/or tobacco/substance use
- BC Healthy Connections Project (PG/FSJ) PHN-intensive home visiting program

Community Referrals

NH PRP Health Promotion & Education



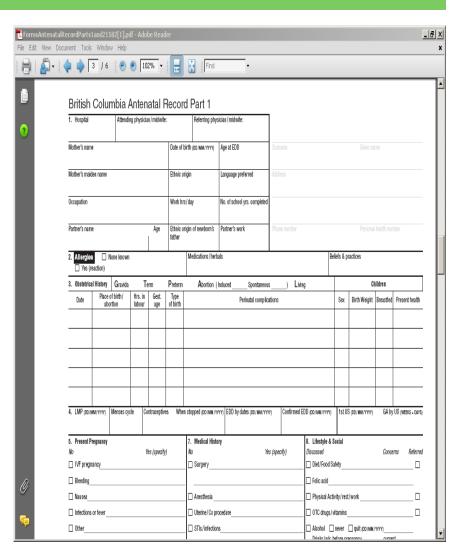


NH PRP Screening & Assessment



Prenatal Registry Questionnaire

Working with you to have the healthiest pregnancy and baby possible. We want to know how we can best support you and your family during your pregnancy and after you have had your baby.



NH PRP Interventions & Referral

Care Pathways of Support

Enhanced Family Visiting

- BC Healthy Connections Project Referral
- PHN/Client Connection specific to vulnerabilities
- Care coordination

Perinatal Depression

- PND Screening
- Self-Support
- Information & Education
- Referral

Tobacco Reduction

- Brief Intervention
- Quitnow.ca
- Healthlink BC
- 811

VCH Prenatal Services

VCH Goal

- To have contact with all pregnant women under 25 prior to delivery in order to assess eligibility and interest in the BC Healthy Connections Program
- To provide a means for women to connect with public health in pregnancy for health promotion, screening and intervention

What are we doing?



Shifting from having our first contact with most clients in the days postpartum to having contact with specific populations during pregnancy

VCH Prenatal Services

Women who may have concerns regarding:

- Mental health (such as history of, or current perinatal depression and/or anxiety);
- Alcohol, substance and/or tobacco use;
- Lack of support and/or isolation;
- Finances or housing;
- Diet (including access to healthy food);
- Age (adolescents or women under 25 years of age with other concerns)
- Other women who may benefit from public health support

How will VCH Access Pregnant Women ??

Primary Care Referral

- Fax in referral form
- Call Health centre



Vancouver Coastal Health Public Health Program

PRENATAL AND POSTPARTUM PUBLIC HEALTH REFERRAL See back of Page for Fax Number

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Prenatal Telephone Access Line

1-855-550-2229



Prenatal Intake Interview

The purpose of the prenatal intake interview is to:

- determine the reason a prenatal client has contacted public health
- determine if a prenatal client has identified risk factors and would benefit from PHN assessment/intervention

Why use an intake interview instead of a screening questionnaire (prenatal registry)?

- Client-driven, client-centred
- Culturally safe and responsive does not require a client to provide information they are not ready to provide
- Strengths-based approach
- Initiates care in the motivational interviewing approach that we are planning to use

PHN Assessment and Intervention

PHN screening and referral

- Referral to VCH targeted prenatal programs
- Referral to community programs
- Referral to mental health, addictions etc

Health Education

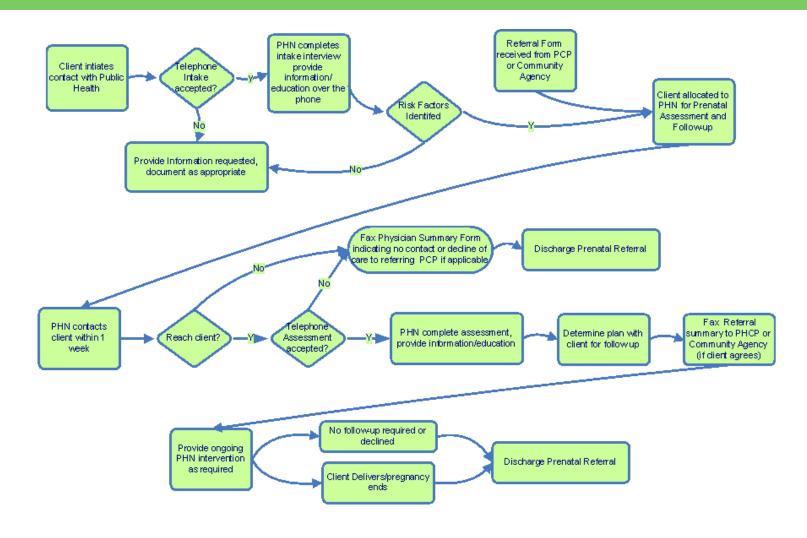
- Distribution of resources
- Access to prenatal education (online or inperson)

Capacity Building - promote ability to meet health and basic needs (food security, housing, access to health care)

Care Coordination complex clients with multiple services

Communicable disease prevention

VCH Prenatal Services



Promotional Materials

If you're pregnant and want support, call:

1 855 550 2229

Our public health nurses are able to help you:

- Be healthy and safe during your pregnancy
- Learn about feeding & caring for your baby
- Find community services that are right for you

For more information on VCH Public Health Prenatal Program, please visit:



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www.vch.ca/pregnancy



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Whistler Health Care Centre

Remberton Health Centre 1403 Portage Rd | 604 894 6939

Socholt Health Unit 5571 Inlot Avo 1 604 885 5164

494 South Fletcher Rd | 604 886 5600

1292 Hornby St | 604 736 9844

Robert & Lily Lee Community Health Co 1669 East Broadway | 604 675 3980

3425 Crowley Dr | 604 872 2500 Padfic Spirit Community Health Centre 2110 West 43rd Ave | 604 261 6366 South Community Health Centr 6405 Knight St | 604 321 6151

Rack Card

Pad

Poster

Summary

- Health Authorities are providing collaborative prenatal services in conjunction with the perinatal care team
- Requirements to provide Provincial Public Health Prenatal Services are met through different approaches in NH and VCH
- Public Health is well-positioned to build therapeutic relationships with pregnant women and families through women-centered care practices

Thank You!

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