RECOMMENDATIONS TO ADVANCE CONTRACEPTIVE JUSTICE IN ILLINOIS

The information below is intended to increase access to all forms of contraception, enhance contraceptive justice, and reduce the number of people who feel hesitant or distrustful of their healthcare providers or facilities. The recommendations are organized into several categories, including Illinois Administrative Recommendations, Illinois Legislative Recommendations, Recommendations for Supporting Policy Change, and Recommendations for Supporting People and Communities.

Illinois Administrative Recommendations

1. Help people and communities feel better prepared to engage in conversations about their sexual and reproductive health, including with health care professionals, to identify, assess, and recognize individual health care needs of a diverse population.
2. Help people find exceptional person-centered, high quality contraceptive care and publicize this information.
3. Issue guidelines or statements advising that preventive care, including contraceptive care, can be included in a patient’s annual wellness visit.
4. Support and encourage social service provider engagement in sexual and reproductive health education, contraceptive methods, and people’s rights; including targeted outreach to marginalized communities to promote welcoming care.
5. Support health care professional engagement by offering CME and CEU credits to help health care professionals feel comfortable and competent to talk about contraception in a way that is consistent and respectful.
6. Strengthen policies and protocols for addressing confidentiality concerns, including test results, without express written informed consent of the patient.
7. Support health care professional efforts to offer the full range of contraceptive services and address factors which might cause people to feel hesitant or distrustful of their sexual and reproductive health, including with health care professionals.
9. Strengthen the Sexual Assault Survivors Emergency Treatment Act (410 ILCS 21).
10. Offer health care professional trainings with CME and CEU credits that help them implement a system of quality assurance, incentive, or recognition for those facilities.
11. Support health care professional efforts to promote welcoming care.
12. Provide technical assistance and support to increase capacity of school-based health centers to provide all forms of contraception by addressing clinical and non-technical assistance and support to increase capacity of school-based health centers to provide all forms of contraception by addressing clinical and non.
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14. Monitor Medicaid Managed Care Organizations (MCOs) to ensure access to the full range of contraceptive services.
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Illinois Legislative Recommendations

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