The latest WHO guidelines in SRH

Take home points

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Contraception Guidelines

- 5th edition of Medical eligibility criteria for contraceptive use (MEC). Released June 2015
  - Relaxed criteria of use of contraception postpartum
  - 4 new methods
  - Restates safety of all methods for adolescents
  - Includes recommendations on use of Hormonal contraception by women at high risk of HIV or using antiretrovirals
- 3rd edition of the Selected practice recommendations for contraceptive use (SPR) guideline. To be issued 2016

Tools to Support Contraception Guidelines

- Many derivative tools support implementation of MEC and SPR
- Family planning: a global handbook for providers
- Decision-making tool for family planning clients and providers
- MEC Wheel most popular
  - Easy to use
  - Can be used by provider during session
  - Tells provider if a woman is able to use various contraceptive methods safely

Research

- The process of adaptation and implementation to ensure that we do better
- Impact of the tools and Guidelines
- What are the gaps
Cervical Cancer Guidelines

- Comprehensive cervical cancer prevention and control - a healthier future for girls and women
- Comprehensive cervical cancer control: A guide to essential practice

Specific Cervical Cancer Prevention Guidelines

- Treatment of cervical intraepithelial neoplasia 2–3 and adenocarcinoma in situ
- Screening and treatment of precancerous lesions

Research

- What are the best test and treat algorithms in terms of VIA and HPV testing
- Role of VIA or cytological testing in HPV positive women prior to treatment
- Place of Rapid HPV testing in primary health care

Behaviour Change Communication

- Health worker communication: a challenge
- Brief Sexuality-Related Communication: Address sexual health concerns in primary health care
- In general BSC uses open-ended rather than direct questions
- Along the theoretical dimensions of the “information, motivation and behaviour”

Human Rights in Contraceptive Services: Guidance and recommendations

- A total of 24 recommendations across the organizing principles were issued

  - Availability
  - Acceptability
  - Accessibility
  - Participation
  - Accountability
  - Quality
  - Informed decision making
  - Non-Discrimination
  - Privacy and confidentiality
Tools to Support Human Rights in Contraceptive Services Guidelines

- A human rights analysis of existing quantitative indicators
  - Identifies quantitative indicators that can be used in a rights analysis of contraceptive programmes
- Framework for ensuring human rights in the provision of contraceptive information
  - Provides examples of how rights dimensions must be respected, protected, and fulfilled.
- Implementation guide
  - Sets out minimum actions that can be taken and provides examples of implementation of the recommendations

Research

Does integrating health care worker and community participation into existing family planning/contraceptive services better address women’s contraceptive needs

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Increased Met need for Contraception

Planned Guidelines on Diagnosis and Management of In/Subfertility

- Algorithm for Care of the In/Sub fertile female
- Algorithm for Care of the In/Sub fertile male
- Assisted Reproductive techniques (IVF and ICSI)
- Intrauterine Insemination
- Polycystic ovarian Syndrome
- Glossary (Terminology & Definitions)

Planned Guidelines on Treatment of STIs

More than 1 million sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are acquired every day worldwide. Each year, there are an estimated 357 million new infections with 1 of 4 STIs below

- Neisseria gonorrhoeae
- Herpes simplex virus
- Chlamydia trachomatis
- Treponema pallidum

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- Back of wheel printed on the inner front jacket, side by side with wheel

MEC wheel for Emergency Contraception, European Consortium for Emergency Contraception and the ESC for the technical and financial support
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