Bicillin Access Project

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- **Objective:**
  - To facilitate availability and delivery of Penicillin G Benzathine L-A (Bicillin) to private medical providers and community health centers for treatment of confirmed syphilis-infected individuals and/or exposed partners residing in Sacramento County.
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• **GOAL:**
  – Bicillin delivery will facilitate and prioritize timely treatment of symptomatic Early Syphilis infected patients, Late-Latent patient(s), and exposed partners with the objective to promptly and effectively stop the spread of disease in the community
The Bicillin delivery program was initiated in December 2007. Those eligible for the program are providers with patients who tested positive for treponemal (TPPA/FTA-ABS/ IGG-IGM) and non-treponemal (RPR/VDRL) tests and are unable to obtain the Bicillin medication for their patients due to cost and/or availability through pharmacy.
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- **Advantages of Bicillin Delivery to Medical Providers**
  - Facilitates patient/partner interviews. STD prevention and education.
  - Allows continuity of Medical care.
  - Facilitates provider visitation and opportunities to inform providers of timely STD reporting and guidelines.
  - Reduce CDI time in finding patient(s) to conduct interview(s)
  - Ensures timely adequate treatment of patient(s) and exposed partner(s).
Procedure for Delivery of Bicillin

- Requested Data prior to authorization and/or delivery to Medical Provider:

- Patient Data:
  - Full name and Date of Birth
  - Demographic information
  - Known allergies to medication
  - CMR
  - Lab report of (+) test and/or confirmation of exposure to a (+) individual
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– Medical Provider Data:
  • Name of Provider requesting medication
  • Address
  • Phone number
  • Prescription-this is to be faxed to local HD prior to requesting medication for HD Pharmacy
  • Date of planned administration of treatment
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• Procedure:
  – Obtain clinic and patient data
  – Discuss stage of infection to determine dosage, i.e. one dose vs. three
  – Complete pharmacy requisition form and submit to pharmacy
  – CDI/DIS will deliver Bicillin at agreed date/time
  – Enter information in log book
– Information required to be included in log book:
  • Bicillin transaction record with original script
  • Bicillin Follow-Up form from provider to include: Dose(s), lot number, expiration date of dose(s), date of administered dose(s), any comments, etc.
  • Copy of pharmacy requisition
  • Copy of laboratory result
Questions?

Thank You!