COACH Team Newsletter

Counselling to Optimize Adherence, Choice, and Honest Reporting

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Given the recent changes in how we will discuss Ring drug level results with participants, we have updated the Counseling Flip Chart and the manual. We hope that these updates will offer you more support during the sessions by providing you more guidance and reminders about key points to highlight. One aspect that we have emphasized in these changes is how establish a safe space for the participant in order to 1) make it easier for participants to discuss challenges to using the Ring or other HIV prevention approaches and 2) prepare the participant for the discussion of the Ring drug level results so that she does not become defensive.

We are in the process of finalizing the translation of the Flip Chart and hope to have that completed soon. At that time, we will send it out to all of the sites. In the meantime, you can view our NEW videos of the follow-up sessions that show how the new Follow-up sessions will be conducted. There are the links to the three new videos:

Ring Protection Level 3: https://youtu.be/L_BX6sFPBZY

Ring Protection Level 2: https://youtu.be/fTDmlpZ_rB4

Ring Protection Level 0: https://youtu.be/F3inCk9XY9M

Schedule for Coaching Calls

Second Thursday of each month
(2017 Call Dates: 9 Feb, 9 Mar, 13 Apr, 11 May, 8 Jun, 13 Jul, 10 Aug, 14 Sep, 12 Oct, 9 Nov, 14 Dec)
Malawi Sites, 2:30pm – 3:15pm
eThekwini, WRHI, Cape Town Sites, 3:30pm – 4:30pm

Second Friday of each month
(2017 Call Dates: 10 Feb, 10 Mar, 14 Apr, 12 May, 9 Jun, 14 Jul, 11 Aug, 15 Sep, 13 Oct, 10 Nov, 15 Dec)
Uganda, 3:00pm – 3:45pm
MRC Sites, 2:45pm – 3:45pm
Zimbabwe Sites, 3:45pm – 4:45pm

COACH Sessions Update

Sessions uploaded: 749

Sessions rated: 180 (24%)

Sessions that passed: 109 (61%)

This is excellent, thank you all for the hard work. Our goal is to have 80% of sessions pass fidelity criteria