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HIV SELF TESTING MODEL AIRS GUIDANCE

AIRS guidance for Division of HIV/STD/HCV Prevention funded contractors approved to provide HIV Home/Self-Testing using AIDS Institute contract dollars.

REQUIREMENTS

POLICIES AND PROCEDURES

• Interested programs *must* submit proposed policies and procedures for HIV Home/Self -Testing to their contract manager for approval *prior* to initiating HIV Home/Self-Testing as part of their funded deliverables.

AIRS SITE SET UP

• The System Administrator should work with the Division of HIV/STD/HCV Prevention Data Unit to set up a specific AIRS Site to use for documenting CTR that is "delivered" via HIV Home/Self-Testing.

DATA ENTRY

AIRS INTAKE

• Programs are required to complete and enter a full AIRS Intake for each participant.

COUNSELING, TESTING AND REFERRALS (CTR) DATA ENTRY

- Data entry within the CTR module should follow the basic steps outlined in the <u>How2 Enter HIV Testing</u> document, with the following modifications:
 - o Part A
 - Session Date: This date will be the same for the encounter/services provided. For the purposes
 of HIV Home/Self-Testing only, this date should be the date the staff had initial contact with
 the client regarding HIV Home/ Self-Testing.
 - Please note that a Risk History must also be entered for this date.
 - **Site** should be *HIV Home Testing* (see above).
 - Part B/Testing: Rapid
 - **Specimen Date:** This date is used to generate HIV status and for purposes of HIV Home/Self-Testing only, should be the date the client took the test.
 - Results Provided Date: For the purpose of HIV Home/Self-Testing only, this date should be the date the client took the test.

DATA ENTRY FOR CLIENTS WHO DO NOT RE-ENGAGE AFTER RECEIVING THE SELF-TEST KIT

• For clients who are provided an HIV Home/Self-Test kit but do not re-engage with the agency after receiving the kit (e.g. the client takes the test but does not provide the result or the agency is unable to contact the client after sending out a kit), agencies can capture these activities as Counseling without Testing by selecting *No Testing Provided* when completing the Part A form.