Policy & Procedure : Reproductive Health Care

Policy:

It is the policy of Lewis County Hospital District No. 1 to provide Reproductive Healthcare Services that meet the requirements of state and federal legislation.

Revision Requirements:

When revisions are made to this policy and procedure, a copy of the revision shall be submitted to the Department of Health within thirty days after the changes are approved. This is in reference to subsection (5) of WAC 246-320-141(7).

Purpose:

To educate the public on services provided or not provided at Arbor Health, Morton Hospital with regard to reproductive healthcare.

Procedure:

Reproductive Health Services are provided in the hospital-based Specialty Clinic, and in the Emergency Department. Arbor Health does NOT provide routine Labor and Delivery Services.

Abortion Services

1. Referrals for abortion services consist of information for regional options upon request.

Contraception Services

1. Birth control: provision of the full range of Food and Drug Administration-approved methods, including intrauterine devices, pills, rings, patches, implants, etc.
2. Contraceptive counseling
3. Removal of contraceptive devices
4. Tubal ligations
5. Vasectomies

Emergency contraception services
1. Emergency Department Visit: Emergency contraception-sexual assault
   a. Victims of sexual assault are provided medically accurate and unbiased written and verbal information about emergency contraception
   b. Victims of sexual assault are informed of the option to have emergency contraception.
      i. If not medically contraindicated and if requested by the victim, the oral contraceptive Plan B (Levonorgestrel) will be administrated.
      ii. Levonorgestrel reduces the risk of pregnancy by 89% when taken as directed within 72 hours of sexual contact.
   c. Plan B (Levonorgestrel) will be kept in the emergency department Pyxis.
2. Specialty Clinic Visit: Emergency contraception-no sexual assault

Infertility services
1. Counseling
2. Infertility testing and diagnosis
3. Generally, referral for infertility treatments including but not limited to in vitro fertilization.

Other related services
1. Human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) testing
2. Emergency Department Visit: POST-exposure prophylaxis (PEP), prescriptions, and related counseling
3. Sexually transmitted disease testing and treatment
4. Emergent treatment as appropriate for miscarriages and ectopic pregnancies. Evaluation and referral for non-emergent cases.

Pregnancy-related services
1. Counseling
2. Emergency Department Visit: Emergency Deliveries:
   a. Assessment of effacement, stage and contractions will be completed by the available Emergency provider.
      i. COBRA and EMTALA guidelines will be followed.
      ii. If delivery is not imminent then the patient will be discharged.
   b. If the patient and unborn infant are in need of transfer then the emergency department staff at Arbor Health, Morton Hospital will arrange the appropriate transfer.
   c. If birth is imminent then the staff at Arbor Health, Morton Hospital will use appropriate OB supplies and prepare for delivery.
   d. Once the infant is delivered the mother and newborn will be transported to an appropriate facility by ground or air depending on the condition of newborn and/or mother

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