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ATTN: Medical Health Officers and Branch Offices
Public Health Nursing Administrators and Assistant Administrators
Holders of Communicable Disease Control Manuals

RE: **Revisions to the Communicable Disease Control (CDC) Manual – Chapter 5:
Sexually Transmitted Infections: Section 2: HIV/AIDS**

Please note the following addition to the Communicable Disease Control (CDC) Manual – Chapter 5: Sexually Transmitted Infections: Section 2: HIV/AIDS

(1) BCCDC Non-Certified Practice Decision Support Tools – NEW.

***Registered Nurse Assessment and Management of HIV Pre Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)
(September 2019)***

Registered nurses (RN) act within autonomous scope of practice when providing initial assessment for PrEP and on-going management of clients taking PrEP.

This decision support tool (DST) is an evidence-based document that can be used by RNs to guide the assessment and management of clients eligible for, or currently taking, HIV Pre Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP).

This DST includes information on:

- PrEP eligibility considerations
- Required and recommended baseline testing
- PrEP initiation, ongoing testing, monitoring and management
- Consultation and/or referral
- Client education

Please insert the following NEW section to the CDC Manual: Chapter 5: Section 2: HIV/AIDS:

***Registered Nurse Assessment and Management of HIV Pre Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)
(September 2019)***

The DST is available on the BCCDC STI webpage: <http://www.bccdc.ca/health-professionals/clinical-resources/communicable-disease-control-manual/sexually-transmitted-infections>

If you have any questions regarding this new DST, please contact:

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A Continuing Nursing Education (CNE) webinar to review this NEW decision support tool for Registered Nurses is scheduled for Wednesday, October 2nd at 1PM PST. Additional PrEP resources recently available on the Smart Sex Resource webpage will also be reviewed. This webinar is hosted by IMITS Video Conferencing Services and requires registration to view the webinar.

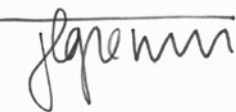
Title: Registered Nurse Assessment and Management of HIV Pre Exposure Prophylaxis
Date: Wednesday, October 2, 2019
Time: 1:00pm, Pacific Daylight Time
Duration: 1:00:00

To register for the online event

1. Go to
<https://phsa.webex.com/phsa/onstage/g.php?MTID=e9fb89969515062b21f346a3b66fcb64>
2. Click "Register".
3. On the registration form, enter your information and then click "Submit".

A recording of the CNE webinar will also be available shortly after the live presentation on the BCCDC website, Clinical Prevention Services webinar series page: <http://bccdc.ca/health-professionals/education-development/clinical-prevention-services-webinar-series>

Sincerely,



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