

February 13, 2012

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 Manual –
Chapter 5 Sexually Transmitted Infections

Please note the following changes to the Communicable Disease Control Manual – Chapter 5 Sexually Transmitted infections:

(1) Corrections to administrative circular 2012:02

Please note the following corrections to DSTs released on February 7, 2012:

- ***Proctitis Decision Support Tool*** – page 4 - dosing for azithromycin should read give 1 gm PO in a single dose. Remove the repeated dose of azithromycin in one week.
- ***Proctitis Decision Support Tool*** – page 5 – table formatting updated
- ***Epididymitis Decision Support Tool*** – page 4 – updated note #8 under treatment table to read “Use of doxycycline as the first choice is preferable in the treatment of epididymitis due to its increased effectiveness for the co-treatment of Chlamydia”. Removed from note #8.
- ***Epididymitis Decision Support Tool*** - page 7 – updated under “Consultation and Referral” – removed sentence “Refer all clients who are pregnant or breastfeeding”.
- ***Pelvic Inflammatory Disease Decision Support Tool*** – page 3, diagnostic testing updated to remove word proctitis - now reads “offer clients presenting with symptoms of PID”

Administrative Circular 2012:04

Please remove the following page from the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 5 Sexually Transmitted Infections, Section I – STI:

- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Epididymitis February 2012, p. 4
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Epididymitis February 2012, p.7
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Pelvic Inflammatory Disease February 2012, p. 3
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Proctitis February 2012, pg. 4
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Proctitis February 2012, pg. 5

Please insert the following updates to the Communicable Disease Control Manual, Chapter 5 Sexually Transmitted Infections, Section I – STI

- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Epididymitis February 2012, p. 4 (updated)
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Epididymitis February 2012, p. 7 (updated)
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Pelvic Inflammatory Disease February 2012, p. 3 (updated)
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Proctitis February 2012, pg. 4 (updated)
- BCCDC Non-certified practice decision support tool – Proctitis February 2012, pg. 5 (updated)

If you have any questions regarding these practice changes, please contact Elizabeth Elliot, Director, Nursing & Manager, Professional Practice at 604-707-5618, or Cheryl Prescott, Nurse Educator, Clinical Prevention Services at 604-707-5651.

Sincerely,



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