Prenatal Care Entry & Adequacy: Problem Analysis Diagram

Social/Economic/Policy Level

Social/Economic Issues
- Discrimination/Inequitable distribution of health services & providers
- Unemployment/underemployment

Healthcare Practice/Policy
- Complicated insurance products/choices/enrollment processes
- High costs of medical services
- Lack of providers accepting publicly funded insurance

Healthcare Continued
- Insufficient incentive for providers to go to areas of need
- High malpractice premiums
- Limited services for undocumented residents

Family/Community/Institutional Level

Community
- Limited services for undocumented residents
- Institutional racism/cultural insensitivity
- Poverty/distrust of system
- Lack of transportation

Family/Home
- Families with complicated lives
- Language/cultural barriers/fear of deportation
- Lack of affordable services when clients are not working or have transportation available
- Domestic violence
- Homelessness/housing insecurity
- Unplanned/unwanted pregnancy
- Lack of knowledge about prenatal care

Healthcare Providers/Institutions
- Excessive wait time at appointments
- High insurance premiums & copays
- Facilities have too few providers/insufficient appointments
- Insurance enrollment restrictions
- Complicated enrollment process for publicly funded health insurance

Individual Level

Knowledge & Behavior
- Client doesn’t know she is pregnant/or seeks care
- Lack of knowledge

Attitude & Beliefs
- Distrust/fear of providers
- Fear of deportation
- Internalized racism
- Personal/cultural beliefs regarding prenatal care
- Language barriers

Health Status/Behavior
- High parity
- Untreated mental health issues
- Chronic health conditions
- Unintended pregnancy/denial

Other
- Lack of transportation
- Poverty
- Homelessness
- Scheduling difficulties
- Inability to find a provider
- Language & cultural barriers

Target Outcome(s):
- Percent of women receiving prenatal care in the first trimester & percent of women receiving adequate prenatal care

Consequences:
- Delays timely diagnosis & management of maternal & fetal problems resulting in high maternal/infant morbidity & mortality; increased hospital costs; disability; potential for delays in child development

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