

OCHART Section 8 – Community Based HIV Clinical Services

Definitions for Section 8, question 2: HIV clinical services provided to clients

Diagnostic Services:

Intake and/or Assessment

Gathering demographic/medical/social/other information about the client to help identify client needs. Intake and assessment procedures may differ at each HIV clinic.

HIV Treatment & Care Support:

Specialty care

Medical care provided by the infectious disease specialists that supports the treatment and management of infectious diseases, including HIV, HCV, STIs and other blood-borne pathogens.

Treatment Information

Providing information on highly-active anti-retroviral therapy for managing HIV infection. This can include a discussion with a nurse, doctor or pharmacist.

Blood work/Lab Test

This is specific to managing HIV infection, such as blood tests for viral load, CD4s, and genotyping.

Adherence support

Providing information and supports related to addressing client challenges to adhering to HIV medications. This can include a discussion with a nurse, doctor or pharmacist.

Application Support

Includes support to complete forms such as EAP, Trillium as well as assisting clients with forms completion such as health card, ODSP, OW, etc.

Primary Care

Medical care provided by a primary or infectious disease doctor that supports the primary health care needs of the patient.

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Allied Health Services:

Pharmacy Services

Providing information and supports related to understanding medication and treatment needs

Nutritional Services

Providing information and supports related to understanding and meeting nutritional needs.

Health Promotion

Providing information and supports related to maintaining a healthy lifestyle.

Mental Health Services

Provision of psychiatric assessment or care, or other mental health except as outlined in Care Linkages section.

Addiction Services

Provision of addiction services except as outlined in Care Linkages section.

Social Work/Counselling/Support

Includes 'one-on-one' session with a client and/or client's family/partner/friend to talk about anything not covered in another activity. This could include psycho-social support, coping with HIV and HIV-related stigma, HIV disclosure, and so on. This may happen in person or over the phone.

Sexual & Reproductive Health:

Pre/post Test Counselling

Counselling that is provided to individuals who are considering testing for HIV, HCV, STIs or other blood-borne pathogens or who have begun the testing process. This can also include the actual testing.

Sexual health services

Providing information and supports related to maintaining a healthy sex life, including POZ prevention.

Reproductive health services

Providing information, supports and referrals related to pregnancy planning and care.