

**FAMILY PLANNING PROGRAM****SECTION:** Medical Services Administration**POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL****SUBJECT:** Rubella Immunity

POLICY: Agencies must investigate the immunity status to rubella in all clients. When warranted, they must provide rubella education and vaccination on site or by referral.

PROCEDURE:

1. The medical record of each client must include one of the following:
 - a. documentation of a positive rubella titer result
 - b. documentation of rubella vaccination
 - c. documentation that the client attends a North Dakota middle school, high school, college or university which assumes rubella immunization is current (see appendix for NDCC 23-07 Reportable Diseases).
2. Clients failing to meet the criteria in number one above should have documentation in their medical record indicating they have been informed of the advantages of protection against rubella and how to establish this protection.
3. If the rubella vaccination is contraindicated for the client the reason must be documented in the medical record.

References:

1. Program Guidelines for Project Grants for Family Planning Services, January 2001, pp. 19-26, Section 8.3, History, Physical Assessment, and Laboratory Testing - History.
2. Rubella Guidance HHS Publication 80-5225, 1981.
3. CDC, What Clinicians Need to Know about MMR Vaccine Safety, 4/29/08