

THE PRASPECT SYSTEM

The Perinatal Risk Assessment (PRA) tool collects information to generate a clinical and psychosocial risk profile of factors known to impact pregnancy outcomes. Completed by prenatal care providers, the PRA centralizes information used by Medicaid, Managed Care Organizations, delivery hospitals, NJ Department of Health and NJ Department of Children & Families. Additionally, the PRA refers pregnant persons to Community Based Services through a Single Point Entry Client Tracker (PRASPECT) www.praspect.org

In accordance with New Jersey law NJ P.L.2019, c.88 that became fully effective May 8, 2020, a PRA First Visit form and Third Trimester update are required for all pregnant patients with government-sponsored health coverage or without insurance. Medicaid Managed Care Organizations must receive member's First Visit form before issuing global authorization. The law also requires the NJ Department of Health to use PRA data analysis to reduce barriers to prenatal care, as well as advance NJ health care practices to improve the wellbeing of expectant persons and newborns.

Family Health Initiatives is the proprietor of the PRASPECT and NJCHART systems:

- Afford secure transmission of protected health information to a central data repository
- Triage referrals from providers and community agencies to respective Central Intake Hub
- Provide system partners a secure portal for patients/clients/families linked to services
- Inform system partners about client assignments and send referrer activity updates
- Integrate propriety NJCHART system www.njchart.org for case management and service enhancement for community health workers, doulas, and other community professionals
- Report summary data and accomplishments to system partners

OB providers complete the PRA First Visit form & Third Trimester update:

- Standardize assessment, screening, and plan of care to link all patients to supportive state and local resources to facilitate healthy pregnancies and optimal birth outcomes
- Include clinically validated [4Ps Plus](#) screening tool to easily and efficiently identify substance use and warm intervention through education, referral, and linkage to supportive services
- Fulfill NJ legal requirements for government-sponsored health insurance and uninsured persons
- Triage Community Based Services referral as desired by patient to local [Central Intake Hub](#) based on county of residence
- Triage Tobacco Cessation referral as desired by patient to [Moms Quit Connection](#)
- Generate [17P Medicaid Managed Care Organization Request form](#) if prescribed by OB provider
- Prepopulate all five prenatal modules on the [New Jersey Birth Worksheet](#) for delivery hospitals affording improved accuracy and completion of NJ birth certificates
- Receive aggregate and site-specific summary reports

All system partners and users:

- Execute [Business Associate & Data Sharing Agreements](#) to protect and share information
- Agree to sign [HIPAA End User Agreement](#)

Community Based Services agencies:

- Agree to use PRA and IRF/CHS as uniform referral tools by which persons are referred
- Track and document all contacts, referrals, program assignments on PRASPECT and related NJCHART or other MIS as appropriate
- Central Intake Hubs coordinate partnerships with Community Based Services and Home Visiting Programs and determine referral triage trees
- Complete the Initial Referral form & Community Health Screening form on nonpregnant individuals and pregnant persons not receiving prenatal care
- Receive referrals from OB providers for pregnant patients and from community agencies for nonpregnant persons and pregnant persons not receiving prenatal care
- Central Intake Hubs outreach clients, describe available programs and services, provide referrals for immediate needs, and assign client to appropriate program
- Community Based Services and programs engage and enroll clients, provide case management, education, resources and referrals
- May view names and addresses of families receiving Community Based Services, as well as:
 - Names of programs/agencies involved with the family
 - Names of case managers assigned to the family
 - Dates of service
- Access multiple interactive reports and data to assist in maximum program and staff performance and for reporting purposes

Delivery Hospitals

- Retrieve New Jersey Birth Worksheets for birth certificates with prepopulated prenatal modules

Medicaid Managed Care Organizations:

- Receive PRA First Visit form & Third Trimester update on members
- Use First Visit form for risk stratification, case management, and global authorization, and is often the only identification of member's pregnancy
- Receive 17P Medicaid Managed Care Request form for members to initiate preterm delivery prevention therapy as prescribed by OB provider

State agencies:

- Receive summary data and aggregate reports