

## **Disclosure Information**

### **Syphilis Screening and Prevention – Virtual Coffee Break**

Provided by the University of Missouri-Kansas City School of Nursing and Health Studies  
Jointly Provided by the Clinical Training Center for Sexual Reproductive Health

#### **Description:**

This brief learning session offers healthcare providers foundational knowledge and actionable strategies for syphilis screening and prevention. It is intended for Title X program clinical providers (MD/NP/PA/CNM), nurses, and other staff who may screen clients for syphilis.

#### **Objectives:**

- Distinguish between geographic-based and risk-based screening criteria and apply CDC recommendations to clinical practice.
- Implement normalizing and opt-out communication strategies to improve syphilis screening uptake among patients.
- Counsel patients on syphilis prevention, including abstinence, mutual monogamy, condom use, and the application of Doxycycline Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (Doxy PEP).
- Understand the critical importance of syphilis screening in pregnancy and discuss approaches to prevent congenital syphilis through early detection and treatment.

#### **Successful Completion:**

To receive contact hours, participants must complete the activity as well as complete the online evaluation and request for credit form. CNE, CME and Certificates of Completion will be emailed 4 – 6 weeks after submission of the online evaluation/request for credit form.

#### **Relevant Financial Relationships:**

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#### **Commercial Support/ Sponsorship:**

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This program offers up to .25 for nurses.

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