Smoking Cessation & Obstetric Practice
Objectives

1. Explain the implications of cigarette smoking for obstetric/gynecologic practice

2. Describe how OB/Gyns can encourage smoking cessation among women before, during, and after pregnancy
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• Prevalence of cigarette smoking
• Risks of smoking for women
• Prenatal/neonatal outcomes
• 2008 Clinical Practice Guidelines
• You can make a difference
Prevalence of Cigarette Smoking – Texas

• **Adult smoking** (2014)
  - State: 14.5%
  - 25-34 year olds: 18.7%
  - Income <$35,000: 18.6%
  - Separated/divorced: 25.3%
  - Females: 12.5%

• **Pregnancy status** (2011)
  3 months prior: 19.3%
  - Medicaid recipients: 25.8%
  Last trimester: 7.4%
  - Medicaid recipients: 11.2%
  Postpartum period: 12.2%
  - Medicaid recipients: 18.9%
Risks for women who smoke

• Reproductive health problems:
  • Infertility
  • Conception delay
  • Pregnancy complications
  • Menstrual irregularity
  • Earlier onset of menopause

• Compromised immune system

• Increased risk of cancer, osteoporosis, and thrombosis with use of oral contraceptives

• Less likely to breastfeed

Modified from presentations available from the American Academy of Pediatrics Richmond Center
Prenatal/neonatal outcomes

- Miscarriage
- Fetal death
- Ectopic pregnancy
- Placenta previa
- Placental abruption
- Pre-term delivery
- Low birth weight
- SIDS
- Birth defects
  - Cleft lip
  - Heart defects
  - Webbing

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Prenatal/neonatal outcomes

• Smoking is the most modifiable risk factor for poor birth outcomes

• When a woman quits smoking during pregnancy, her chances of having an uncomplicated pregnancy and healthy baby are dramatically increased

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Treatment of tobacco dependence in pregnancy

- “Because of the serious risk of smoking to the pregnant smoker and fetus, whenever possible smokers should be offered person-to-person psychosocial interventions that exceed minimal advice.”

- “Although abstinence early in pregnancy will produce greatest benefits to the fetus and expectant mother, quitting at any point in pregnancy can yield benefits. Clinicians should offer effective interventions at the first prenatal visit as well as throughout the pregnancy.”

Pharmacotherapy in pregnancy

- “Although the use of NRT [nicotine replacement therapy] exposes pregnant women to nicotine, smoking exposes them to nicotine plus numerous other chemicals that are injurious to the fetus. These concerns must be considered in the context of inconclusive evidence that cessation medications boost abstinence rates in pregnant women.”
You can make a difference

• Smoking cessation intervention by clinicians improves quit rates

• Brief counseling (5 to 15 minutes total) can help many pregnant smokers quit

• A woman is more likely to quit smoking during pregnancy than at any other time in her life
  – Often more open to change
  – May have more support to quit while pregnant
  – May not be socially acceptable to smoke if pregnant
  – May have added financial burden even if planned

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• What services does the Texas Quitline offer?
• Connecting to the Quitline
• Ask, Advise, Refer: Applications to help refer your patients
• Resources
Texas Quitline = Value Added at no cost to Texas residents

• Quitline counseling is offered in English and Spanish; other languages are available with simultaneous interpretation service.

• Free service.

• Calls answered and counseling available on a 24/7 basis.

• Up to 5 counseling sessions.

• Over-the-counter Nicotine Replacement Therapy (NRT) available for qualified callers 18 and older who are enrolled in counseling (includes patch, gum or lozenges).

• Health care systems with eTobacco Protocol that make referrals receive feedback on their patient’s progress.

• HIPAA-compliant: private and confidential.

• Refer as many times as needed; enroll up to twice per year.
Requirements for Quitline Services

• Patient must have a Texas address.

• Patient must be 18 years or older for counseling and nicotine replacement therapy.

• Or, patient is 13-17 years, counseling only.

• Must answer their telephone.

• Private & confidential.
Benefits of Using the Texas Quitline App

• Increase healthcare provider referrals the Quitline.

• Free and easy access to referrals.

• Alternative when eTobacco referral through the EMR is not available.

• The app is available on both Android and Apple app markets.
Connecting to the Quitline

• Fax referral

• Web referral: www.yesquit.org

• App (Android and iPhone “Texas Quitline”)

• Telephone: 877-YES-QUIT

• eTobacco Protocol
Ask-Advise-Refer Resources

• **Ask** if the patient uses tobacco.

• **Advise** the patient to quit.

• **Refer** the patient for assistance if ready to quit within 30 days by clicking a button in the EHR.
Texas Quitline App

For Patient Referrals

1. **ASK** patients if they use tobacco and whether they want to quit.
2. If yes, **ADVISE** patients to quit and educate them on treatment options.
3. **REFER** patients to the Quitline, explaining the benefits and success rate of doing so when coupled with Replacement Therapy or prescription medication.

**ASK**

At every visit, ask patients about their smoking status.
- Are you a current or former user?
- What type of tobacco is used (including any exposure to secondhand smoke)?
- How often is tobacco used?
- Document the information in the medical record.

**ADVISE**

Patients listen to and respect the advice of their health providers.
- Urge every tobacco user to quit in a clear and personalized way.
- Remind the patient that most smokers attempt to quit 3-8 times before quitting for good.
- Link the patient's current situation to reasons for quitting.

**REFER**

You can make a difference!
- Assess if the patient is ready to quit.
- Use a referral system to tobacco cessation support services, such as the Quitline.
- Refer the patient to local tobacco cessation programs when available.

You can refer patients to the Texas Quitline directly from this app using the Refer tab below.

Para referencias de pacientes

1. **PREGUNTE** a los pacientes si usan tabaco y si desean dejar de hacerlo.
2. Si le contestan que sí, **ACONSEJE** a los pacientes que dejen de usar tabaco e infórmelos sobre opciones de tratamiento.
3. **REFIERA** a los pacientes a la línea telefónica de ayuda para abandonar el uso de tabaco, Quitline, y explíqueles los beneficios y la tasa de éxito cuando lo hacen junto con terapia de sustitución de nicotina o medicamentos de venta con receta.

**Pregunta**

En cada visita pregunte al paciente su estado como fumador.
- ¿Fuma actualmente o fumó anteriormente?
- ¿Qué tipo de tabaco usa (incluida cualquier exposición a humo de segunda mano)?
- ¿Con qué frecuencia usa tabaco?
- Documente la información en el expediente médico.

**Aconseje**

Los pacientes escuchan y respetan el consejo de sus proveedores médicos.
- Urja en una manera clara y personalizada a todos los usuarios de tabaco que dejen de usarlo.
- Recuérdale a los pacientes que la mayoría de los fumadores intenta dejar de fumar de 3 a 8 veces antes de tener éxito.
- Relacione la situación actual del paciente con las razones para dejar de usar tabaco.

**Refiera**

¡Usted puede hacer la diferencia!
- Evalúe si el paciente está listo para abandonar el tabaco.
- Use un sistema de referencia a servicios de apoyo para dejar de usar tabaco, como Quitline.
- Refiera al paciente a programas locales de cesación de uso de tabaco cuando los haya disponibles.

Puede referir a los pacientes a Texas Quitline directamente desde esta aplicación usando la pestaña Refe que aparece abajo.
My Profile  
Please complete this profile to refer patients to the Tobacco Quitline. You only need to fill out this profile once. You will be able to update it if anything changes.

Are you in Texas?  
- Yes
- No

Clinic / Facility

Clinic Phone #

Clinic Fax #

Clinic Zip Code

Your Name

Your Email

Are you a HIPAA covered entity?  
- Yes
- No
- Unknown

Save

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Mi perfil  
Complete este perfil para referir a los pacientes a Tobacco Quitline. Solamente necesita rellenar este perfil una vez. Podrá actualizarlo en caso de que haya algún cambio.

¿Se encuentra en Texas?  
- Sí
- No

Clínica / Instalación

Número de teléfono de la clínica

Número de fax de la clínica

Código postal de la clínica

Su nombre

Su dirección electrónica

¿Pertenece a una entidad cubierta por HIPAA?  
- Sí
- No
- No sabe
Refer a patient  

**Tobacco Research & Evaluation Team**

The information will be sent to Texas Tobacco Quitline. You can update your profile if needed.

- **Patient Name:**
- **Date of Birth (MM/dd/yyyy):**
- **Primary Phone:**

**Tobacco Types (check all that apply):**
- Cigarettes
- Smokeless Tobacco
- Cigar
- Pipe
- E-cigarette

- **The patient is ready to quit tobacco in the next 30 days and requests the Quitline contact him or her with quit plan help.**

- **The patient DOES NOT give permission to the Quitline to leave a message when contacting him or her.**

- **Language:**
  - English
  - Español
  - Other

- **Best time to call:**
  - 6 am - 9 am
  - 9 am - 12 pm
  - 12 pm - 3 pm
  - 3 pm - 6 pm
  - 6 pm - 9 pm

**Refiera a un paciente**

La información será enviada a Texas Tobacco Quitline. Desplácese hacia abajo para verificar la información de su perfil antes de enviarla. Puede actualizar su perfil si ha habido algún cambio.

- **Nombre del paciente:**
- **Fecha de nacimiento (MM/dd/yyyy):**
- **Teléfono primario:**

**Tipos de tabaco (marque todo lo que aplique):**
- Cigarrillos
- Tabaco sin humo
- Puro
- Pipa
- Cigarrillo electrónicos

- **El paciente está listo para abandonar el tabaco en los siguientes 30 días y solicita que Quitline se comunique con él para ayudarlo a establecer un plan de cesación.**

- **El paciente NO autoriza que Quitline deje un mensaje cuando se comunique con él.**

- **Idioma:**
  - Inglés
  - Español
  - Otro

- **Mejor hora para llamar:**
  - 6 am - 9 am
  - 9 am - 12 pm
  - 12 pm - 3 pm
  - 3 pm - 6 pm
  - 6 pm - 9 pm
Badges

You have earned this badge after your first patient referral to the Texas Tobacco Quitline!

Badges you not yet earned

You will earn this badge after your 5th patient referral to the Texas Tobacco Quitline!

You will earn this badge after your 10th patient referral to the Texas Tobacco Quitline!

You will earn this badge after your 25th patient referral to the Texas Tobacco Quitline!

Insignias

Se han ganado esta placa después de su primera referencia de pacientes a la Quitline Tabaco de Texas!

Insignias que aún no gana

¡Ganará esta insignia después de que refiera a 5 pacientes a Texas Tobacco Quitline!

¡Ganará esta insignia después de que refiera a 10 pacientes a Texas Tobacco Quitline!

¡Ganará esta insignia después de que refiera a 25 pacientes a Texas Tobacco Quitline!
eTobacco Protocol

Efficient counseling and referral option

Feedback to EHR (bidirectional interface)

Technical assistance

System impact

Public health impact

Revenue: bill Medicaid up to 3 minutes for counseling

Eradicate the #1 cause of preventable death

Protect adults and children

HIPPA Compliant
### Tobacco Cessation Intervention:

**Ready and willing to quit tobacco?**
- Ready to quit within 30 days
- Thinking about quitting at some point
- Not interested in quitting

**Consent to referral to**
- Refused Referral
- Quit Line
- Tobacco Resource Center
- Tobacco cessation discussed

**Print Education:**
- [ ] Quit Line
- [ ] Tobacco Resource Center

**Cessation Counseling:**

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### Assessment/Plan:

- History of Tobacco use (V15.82)
- Tobacco use disorder (305.1)
- Tobacco use disorder complicating pregnancy (649.01)

**Techniques Discussed:**
- Aversive Conditioning
- Delaying tactics
- Mentor program
- Smoke free car
- Support program
- Daily diary
- Literature given
- Remove triggers and cues
- Smoke free house
- Substituted behavior
- Hypnotherapy
- Nicotine lozenge
- Nicotine Inhaler
- Nicotine nasal spray
- Nicotine Patch
- Nicotine gum
- None

**Patient education:**
- Benefits of quitting
- Nicotine dependence
- Secondhand smoke (passive smoking)
- Hazards of tobacco
- Nicotine withdrawal
- Ways to quit tobacco
- Recommended Treatment:
  - Acupuncture
  - Cognitive behavioral therapy
  - Varenicline/Chantix
  - Other Method: [ ]

**Return to office in:** [ ]
Clinical Training

Helping Our Patients Quit Using Tobacco

This video will tell you a little bit about the role that the clinical care team can play in lowering tobacco use. The video includes facts about tobacco use in the United States, scenarios between key players, including the medical assistant, provider, and patient that will help you learn about the importance of asking, advising, and referring patients, and tips on how to

Fast Facts

- Tobacco use is the single most preventable cause of disease, disability, and death in the US.
- Each year, an estimated
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