



# Seven Steps of Informed Consent

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# Objectives

- 1. Define Informed Consent**
- 2. Recognize Informed Consent as a Family PACT Standard**
- 3. Identify the seven steps of Informed Consent as set forth in the Family PACT Standards**





# What is Informed Consent?

[http://www.youthlaw.org/publications/minor\\_consent/](http://www.youthlaw.org/publications/minor_consent/)





# Informed Consent is a Family PACT Standard





# The Seven Steps of Informed Consent





# **Step 1: Client Participation in the Eligibility Process**





# Step 1

- **Complete the Client Eligibility Certification (CEC) Form**
- **Knowledge of the Family PACT Standards and Scope of Services**





# Step 2: Consent for Services is Voluntary





# Step 2

- **No coercion to enroll**
- **No coercion to participate in family planning services**
- **No coercion to choose a particular method**
- **Freedom to withdraw consent at any time**





**Step 3:**

**Consent**

**required ONLY**

**from individual**

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## **Step 4:**

**Provided in a  
Language the  
Client Can  
Understand**





# Step 4

- **Verbal language the client understands**
- **Written materials the client understands**
- **Consider health literacy**





# **Step 5: Informed Consent and Invasive Procedures**





# Step 5

- **Consent Form for Invasive Procedures**
- **Can Withdraw Consent at any Time**





# Step 6: Sterilization and Informed Consent





# Step 6

- **Who can Consent to Sterilization?**
- **Completion of the PM330**
- **Completing the Procedure Within the Required Timeframe**





# Step 6

- **A client may not give informed consent for sterilization if their reasoning is suspect**
- **30-day waiting period for sterilization in Family PACT**
- **Sterilization consent forms expire after 180 days**





# Step 7: Family Planning Patient Rights





# Step 7

- **Provide a Copy to Client**
- **Post at Clinic Site**





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