



# Intervention Ideas

## Identified *in NCSD's*

### *Congenital Syphilis Workshop Series*

*This is an initial and non-exhaustive list of intervention, program, and outreach ideas that came out of presentations and small group discussions during NCSD's Congenital Syphilis Workshop Series.*

- **Texas:**

- For more CS information and resources from Texas: <https://www.dshs.texas.gov/hivstd/info/cs/>
- Training DIS to feel comfortable ascertaining pregnancy status among persons of childbearing
- capacity Use database features to track pregnancy outcomes
- Implement a congenital syphilis tracker for the state
- Programs receive quarterly Vital Statistics Matches from the CS Epidemiologist
- Establish relationships with neighboring jurisdictions
- Case review boards
- Provider education

- **NYC:**

- Congenital syphilis workgroup
- Social work intervention
- Partner with Bureau of Maternal, Infant, and Reproductive Health Congenital Syphilis
- Prevention Investigator (CPI) Staffing Model

- **Los Angeles:**

- Creative outreach to people experiencing homelessness
- Identify non-traditional sites for syphilis and HIV testing among cisgender women of reproductive age with SUD and/or mental illness
- Conduct key informant interviews and engage with community partners

- **Louisiana:**

- Perinatal case management
- Bicillin delivery programs: Syphilis Home Observed Treatment (SHOT) and SHPDirectrx

- Rapid syphilis testing at syringe service programs
- Routine syphilis screening at HIV care
- Offer Visa giftcards for each bicillin treatment completed
- Partner with clinics to get individuals same day appointments for confirmatory testing and take clients to the clinic for a warm handoff
- Provider education programs
- Toolkit for community providers
- Billboards in the community to raise awareness about CS
- Focus on and outreach to trans and nonbinary individuals who can get pregnant
- Creative partnerships with community organizations
- Specific nursing manager who works on CS cases
- Expand mobile services
- Treatment hotline for increasing treatment access and retention
- Develop maternal DIS team
- Directly observed therapy at client's home or other location when client can't readily access treatment at a healthcare provider
- Target services to sex workers
- Have public health nurses follow up with syphilis cases and treatment
- CS awareness campaign
- Clinician ambassadors who reach out to providers in the community to get buy-in from them and talk to them about when they should be testing for congenital syphilis and clearing up confusion on how to report it
- Vouchers for hotels for pregnant people experiencing homelessness to allow them to finish their syphilis treatments
- Partner with vital statistics office to ensure proper reporting