

Narrative about Mom/Primary Caregiver's Reaction to Intervention Provided Sample Statements

Maternal Interventions

Family Planning

MOD 2 Discuss family planning services available and review brochure of methods. Mom seems to understand the various birth control options available to her and understands how to get to Planned Parenthood for family planning services.

Prenatal Care

HIGH 3 Assist the beneficiary with arranging prenatal care appointment. Beneficiary acknowledged that she will call the medical provider this week to schedule her appointment with Dr. Smith.

Food

MOD Discussed nutritional risks (e.g. eating disorders, anemia, etc.); if risk is identified refer to Registered Dietician after obtaining physician order). Mom appears apprehensive in wanting to see a Registered Dietician. Tossed referral information on the coffee table and said "I will contact her later." She indicates that she is eating a well balanced diet and that her weight loss is due to stress. When I said I would follow-up with her at the next appointment, she said "fine...whatever" with a negative tone.

Housing

Mom was excited about the prospect of moving her new family to a safer neighborhood.

Transportation

Client was frustrated that cab fare is used as a last resort and that she'll need to use bus tokens since the bus stops in front of her apartment.

Social Support

Mom showed very little emotion or interest when discussing expanding her social support system. She appeared resigned to "be alone" raising her twins when they are born.

2nd Hand Smoke Exposure

MOD 2 Mom came up with plan to get smokers to go outdoors; she will put a big ashtray, table, and chair on back porch, and thank people when they come back in (for at least a week). She said she is strong enough to make people go outside, but wonders about the winter – will her boyfriend catch colds from being outside and pass them on to the baby?

Smoking

MOD 3 Mom was not able to reduce number of cigarettes over the past two weeks because her 4 y/o was in the hospital and she couldn't handle it. She felt like she had no choice or she would "go crazy." She will try again this week.

Alcohol

HIGH 4 Mom was arrested for second DUI and is afraid of losing her license and maybe even going to jail. She agreed to referral to SA Coordinating Agency. I supported her as she made the call.

Drugs

HIGH 2 Mom appeared surprised when we discussed the possible effect of her cocaine use on her baby in utero. She started to cry and agreed to think about accessing treatment services through the Coordinating agency.

Stress/Depression/Mental Health

HIGH 7 Safety Plan development was difficult because Mom had difficulty deciding who to call when she feels like she might hurt herself. After much discussion she visibly brightened remembering that her Aunt has always been there for her and she is able to keep things confidential.

Abuse/Violence

MOD 6 Mom stated she couldn't believe how accurate the cycle of violence wheel was. She shared stories of how her husband beat her—then made up for weeks afterwards; then beat her again and made up for weeks again. She was tearful during the discussion.

Asthma

MOD 6 Mom said that she kept her appt with her asthma doctor this month, even though it was hard because she had to take her two other kids with her on the bus. She smiled and seemed pleased when I told her what a good thing she was doing for her new baby.

Hypertension

MOD 2 Mom listened to explanation of effects of HPB on self and fetus, but didn't say much and did not appear to be concerned about potential problems.

Interconception Health

MOD 3 As Mom's MA will end in one month, I told her about free and low-cost health care options in community. She says she knows how important it is to be followed for her diabetes and that she will contact potential health care providers before our next (and last) visit.

Infant Interventions

Infant Health

HIGH 4 Mom appeared anxious as we drafted asthma action plan. She said that she didn't know if she would be able to handle a major crisis, but that she felt better seeing the plan in writing and that she will put it on the fridge and have babysitter read it.

Infant Safety

MOD 2 Mom will talk with boyfriend again about her fear that his dog will bite the baby, but she doesn't think it will do any good –“he'll just get mad and tell me I'm crazy and I have to be careful because I don't want him to get really mad and leave for good.”

Feeding and Nutrition

MOD 3 Mom said that her mom keeps saying that the baby will be more content and cry less if she puts cereal in baby's bottle. We practiced what she would say the next time her mom pressures her, but she doesn't know if she'll actually say it because “it will just be another bad fight.”

General Development

MOD 5 Mom was actively engaged in administration of the ASQ; said she liked finding out about baby's development and looks forward to “the next one.”

HIGH 2 Mom declined Early On referral, despite strong attempt to convince her that infant needs a comprehensive developmental eval. She said she would rather “wait and see.”

Family Social Support, Parenting and Child Care

HIGH 8 At first mom denied that she is ever angry with baby, but after we discussed how ALL parents reach their limit at times, she decided it was ok to have a plan, and talked it through.

Substance Exposed Infant

Positive at Birth: Mom acknowledged the possible effect her drinking may have had on her infant in utero. She is willing to discuss it further in subsequent visits.

Primary Caregiver Use: Client is adamant that she does not have “a problem” with her drinking and cocaine use. She asked this writer to NOT bring it up again.

Environment: House reeked of marijuana during home visit. Client was vague and non-committal when asked about how to keep baby out of the area if others are using in the home.