Barriers to Care Initiative

Provider agrees to implement and support at least one initiative to reduce barriers to care impacting the Medicaid population served under this program. Initiatives may be developed at the health system level or clinic level but must be available to assist women served by individual participating providers. Initiatives must either be new or an expansion of an existing initiative and must not duplicate activities that are required care coordination activities. The acceptance of an initiative is at the sole discretion of South Dakota Medicaid.

Barrier to Care Initiatives

Providers must select and implement only **one** of the following initiatives as a condition of participation in the program:

☐ Initiatives to improve initiation and attendance at prenatal and postpartum visits such as incentive or rewards programs or other robust efforts to increase initiation of care and appointment attendance.

☐ Initiatives to reduce transportation barriers that prevent women from receiving prenatal and postpartum care.

☐ Initiatives to address social determinants of health (SDoH) that impact the woman's and unborn child's health or impact their ability to utilize prenatal or postpartum care. (Please specify the SDoH your facility will be addressing)

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☐ Initiatives to facilitate childcare during appointments and deliveries or to facilitate the provision of services with children present at the clinic or facility.

☐ Other initiatives to address barriers of care as determined by the provider. Other initiatives must be approved by South Dakota Medicaid. If selecting this option, please describe your proposed Barriers to Care Initiative below:

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AIM Statement/Goal(s)

The AIM statement/Goal must be submitted to the BabyReady program within 6 months of receiving the facilities first caseload. The AIM or goal should clarify what the clinic intends to accomplish with their selected Barrier to Care Initiative.

The following information must be included with your AIM/Goal(s) and emailed to CMforms@state.sd.us:

Name of facility/clinic *Name of person submitting*
Physical address of clinic *Clinic BNPI*

Implementation and Tracking

Providers must implement a barrier-to-care initiative within 6 months of receiving their first caseload. Initiatives should be implemented using a framework such as Plan Do Study Act (PDSA). Implementation is considered to have occurred when the service or intervention is available to members on the provider's caseload who can benefit from the initiative.

The provider must develop metrics to measure and track the progress of the initiative. Data and information regarding the initiatives must be shared with SD Medicaid through an annual reporting form and upon request. The annual report is due June 30th. SD Medicaid may request providers share information regarding initiatives at SD Medicaid-sponsored provider learning and training sessions for participating providers.

Barriers to Care Initiative Changes

Providers may change their initiative at their discretion. If the provider determines earlier than this based on qualitative or quantitative data that an initiative is not effective, they must alter the initiative or implement a different initiative in a timely manner. If a provider ends an initiative and is implementing a new initiative, they must complete a new Barriers to Care Initiative form and send to CMforms@state.sd.us. Changing your initiative does not extend the due date for initial implementation or annual reporting.

Name of Facility/Practice: _____

Physical Address of Clinic: _____

Name: _____
(Name of staff representative responsible for initiative)

Date: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

Signature: _____