Implementation of NYS Opt-to-Quit™ Program at a Children’s Hospital and Preliminary Results of a Survey of Parents

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Objectives

1. To review harmful effects of second- and third-hand smoke on children
2. To describe the implementation of the NYS Opt-to-Quit™ program at Stony Brook Long Island Children’s Hospital
3. To share preliminary data from a survey of smoking parents of newborns
Smoking Stats

- In NYS (2012): 16.2% of adults smoke.
- Approx 11% of parents of babies admitted to our NICU smoke.
- Parents reported to have lower baseline quit rates (2 – 5%) than the general population (7 – 10%).
- Up to 50% of women who have quit or cut back may restart postpartum.

Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS), 2012
Ralston S, Roohi, Pediatric Pulmonology, 2008
Levine MD, Womens Health Issues. 2008
Secondhand Smoke

- 11% of children exposed to SHS
  - 90% due to parents, in the home

Effects of SHS on children:
- Increased risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS)
- Asthma exacerbations
- Ear infections, pneumonia
- Significant effects on premature infants
- “There is no risk-free level of exposure to SHS”

http://www.nysmokefree.com
www.cdc.gov
http://www2.aap.org/richmondcenter
US Department of Health and Human Services, 2006
Thirdhand Smoke

- What remains in an environment after the cigarette is extinguished
  - Toxic and carcinogenic components in tobacco smoke
  - Remains in dust, on surfaces for long time
  - Children particularly at risk!

http://www2.aap.org/richmondcenter
Matt et al, Thirdhand Tobacco Smoke: Emerging Evidence and Arguments for a Multidisciplinary Research Agenda, Environmental Health Perspectives, 2011
Smoking Cessation in the Inpatient Setting

- Information, referral to Quitline
- More focused or intense interventions may work better
  - Inpatient counseling sessions
  - Target populations
  - Faxed referrals to the Quitline

Rigotti et al, 2012
Winickoff et al, NEWS study, Pediatrics 2010
Ralston and Roohi, 2003
Winickoff et al, STOP, Pediatrics 2003
Opt-to-Quit™

- Program of NYS Smokers’ Quitline
- Systematizes referral to NYS Quitline
  - Smokers opt out
  - Referral can be done through EMR, via fax or other data sharing, streamlining the process
- We are first (and only) Children’s Hospital to participate
Help Create the Healthiest Environment Possible for Your Child

Because they are still developing, children are particularly vulnerable to secondhand smoke. Exposure can cause asthma, respiratory problems, middle ear infections and increase the risk of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (SIDS).

If you smoke, our Opt-to-Quit™ program can help you stop.
Stony Brook Children’s is the first children’s hospital in New York State to offer this program. It is part of the New York State Smokers’ Quitline, which provides FREE telephone counseling and support, nicotine replacement medications and other stop-smoking tools.

How to participate?
Simply ask a staff member on your child’s unit about the program, and tell them you are ready to quit smoking. They will sign you up on the spot. It’s that easy.

We thank you.
But more important, your healthy children will thank you.
### OPT-to-Quit Caregiver Referral

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At Stony Brook Long Island Children's Hospital we believe the best thing you can do for your child's health and your own health is to stop smoking. As a service to you, if you agree, we will forward your contact information to the New York State Smokers' Quitline, so they can contact you to describe and offer you their free stop smoking services.

By providing this information to us, you consent and permit Stony Brook Long Island Children's Hospital and its staff to share your name, phone number and contact information with NYS State Opt to Quit line who will contact you.

If at any time you wish to opt out of this service you simply have to notify the Opt-to-Quit representative.

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Challenges in Implementation

- Opt-to-Quit™ and the EMR
  - Tasks vs. forced functions
- Challenges of a Children’s Hospital
  - HIPPA
  - Legal issues
  - Data transfer
- Staff commitment to a new process
- Referring *all* smokers in a family
A Comparison of Parents/Caregivers of Healthy vs. Sick Neonates: Is There a Difference in Readiness and/or Success in Quitting?

- Study supported through a New Investigator Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics Julius B. Richmond Center of Excellence, through a grant from the Flight Attendant Medical Research Institute (FAMRI)
- Survey of smoking parents of newborns in well-baby nursery and NICU over a one year period
Preliminary Results – Demographics

Race
- Hispanic
- African American
- Caucasian
- American Indian

Highest Educational Level Achieved
- < High School
- High School
- College
- Graduate

Yearly Income
- < $20,000.00
- $20,000 - $50,000
- $51,000 - $75,000
- $76,000 - $100,000
- $101,000 - $150,000
Preliminary Results – Referral Acceptance

53% (18/34) of smoking caregivers in the NICU accepted referral through Opt-to-Quit™ vs. 78.9% (93/118) of smoking caregivers in the newborn nursery (p = 0.003).
Preliminary Results – Smoking Characteristics

- 86.4% of parents had tried to quit upon learning of pregnancy (91.3% of mothers; 69% of fathers)
  - 43.1% cut back
  - 27.6% quit completely
  - 10.3% quit later in pregnancy
Preliminary Results – Smoking Characteristics

- More mothers (68%) than fathers (28%) quit or cut back for pregnancy or child-related reasons
- More mothers (65.9%) than fathers (38.5%) were counseled regarding smoking cessation during pre-natal visits by a physician
Preliminary Results: E-Cigarettes

- 51% of all surveyed had tried e-cigarettes
  - 58% for the purposes of smoking cessation
  - 82.6% in place of regular cigarettes
Future Plans

- Compare quit data from NYS Quitline with questionnaire results in order to identify relevant factors for future study and intervention
- Continue to improve referrals through nurse and physician education; process improvement
- Expand Opt-to-Quit™ referral to OB, outpatient and ED
- Initiate smoking-cessation services directly in the inpatient setting to work in conjunction with referrals to Opt-to-Quit™
   Accessed Feb 26, 2014
2. Shah S, Smoking cessation counseling and pneumococcal vaccine administration to parents of infants admitted to neonatal intensive care unit: A life-changing opportunity, JNPM 2012; Volume 4, Number 3
   Accessed February 26, 2014
Thank you!