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641—11.2 (141A) HIV testing—obtaining consent—voluntary HIV-related tests for adults who are not pregnant.

- 11.2(1) Prior to conducting a voluntary HIV-related test on an adult, the health care provider requesting the test shall provide information to the subject of the test concerning HIV testing and where to obtain additional information regarding HIV infection and risk reduction.
- 11.2(2) All adults who are able must give consent for an HIV test, but a separate written consent solely for the purpose of HIV testing shall not be required. If an adult signs a general consent form for the performance of medical tests or procedures, the signing of an additional consent form for the purpose of consenting to an HIV-related test is not required during the time in which the general consent form is in effect. If an adult has not signed a general consent form for the performance of medical tests and procedures, or if the consent form is no longer in effect, a health care provider shall obtain oral or written consent prior to performing the HIV-related test.
- 11.2(3) If an adult is unable to give consent, the adult's legal guardian may provide oral or written consent. If the adult's legal guardian cannot be located or is unavailable, a health care provider may authorize the HIV-related test when the test results are necessary for diagnostic purposes to provide appropriate urgent medical care.
- 11.2(4) Once an adult has been informed of a confirmed positive HIV-related test, no HIV-specific consent for medical procedures and tests shall be required for subsequent medical procedures and tests involved in the care or treatment of the adult with HIV infection.

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