## DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES



SUBJECT: FAMILY PLANNING

- **PURPOSE::** To inform men and women of their options regarding their reproductive capacities, and to provide the means to carry out their choices and desires.
- **POLICY::** The following essential elements shall be provided in the Department's family planning program:
  - 1. Education of the community on the current availability to help with problems of sexual dysfunction, and with modern means of controlling and achieving fertility.
  - 2. Provision of health services to those with problems of infertility, and to those who want to limit their fertility.
  - 3. Provision of contraceptive services to those who request them.
  - 4. Provision of early elective abortion to women who desire voluntary interruption of pregnancy.
  - 5. Provision of elective sterilization to men and women who choose to terminate their fertility.
- AUTHORITY:: California Health & Safety Code California Welfare & Institutions Code

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** Nov 24, 1975 **APPROVED:** Signature on File SUPERCEDES: