
Case Scenario for Carol

Client Background

Carol is a 32 year old female who tested positive for HIV three years ago. She accepted the referral to receive medical care but refused case management services and Prevention Case Management at that time. Carol has been compliant with her medical appointments. She is not taking any HIV medications. Carol trusts her doctor and tells her of the behaviors she has engaged in over the past 18 months. Carol says she started injecting drugs with her previous boyfriend. She did not share needles with him and currently injects alone and with her own needles. In addition, Carol reported being diagnosed and treated twice for STDs and continues to engage in unprotected vaginal and anal sex with her latest boyfriend and other male partners. Carol says she has sex for money with men because she cannot find a job and needs the money for rent and to buy drugs. She does not feel she is addicted to drugs. Carol tells her doctor that she does not feel comfortable talking to her case manager about her problems. The doctor sets up an appointment for Carol to see the prevention counselor in Comprehensive Risk Counseling and Services.