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Closed POD Development in Partnership with Local Health Department

This presentation will focus on the process used by ESPN to develop and implement a closed point of dispensing clinic through a partnership with our local health department. It will take attendees through a memorandum of understanding, design considerations, constructing a written plan, identifying key roles, recruitment of participants, training, and finally, exercise. Highlights will be managing internal/external partners, offering insight/experience in strategies that worked well and obstacles to closed POD development.

Theme – The theme of the presentation is to provide a practical guide for non-governmental entities to develop and implement a point of dispensing clinic. The presentation will focus on:

- The benefits of a point of dispensing clinic to both the local health department and the private entity.
- Identifying key stakeholders within your organization.
- The first steps in establishing a rapport with the local health department and understanding key terms of a memorandum of understanding.
- Defining the scope and constraints of the POD, including the population served.
- Writing a POD plan and defining roles and responsibilities.
- Considerations in locating the POD.
- Taking the POD through a full-scale exercise.