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Supporting Zika Response Through Health IT

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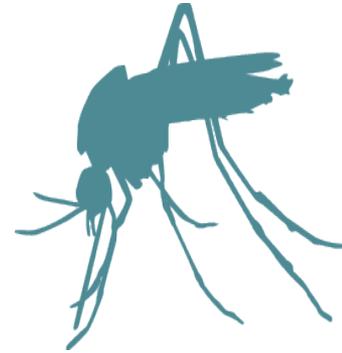
Agenda

- Introduction and Overview
- Zika Response: A detailed look at health IT activities to date
- Building an All Hazards Approach

Introduction and Overview

First time in history...

"Never before in history has there been a situation where a bite from a mosquito could result in a devastating malformation," Dr. Tom Frieden, CDC Director, *Fortune*, April 13, 2016



"...the last time an infectious pathogen (rubella virus) caused an epidemic of congenital defects was more than 50 years ago..."
– S.Rasmussen et al. *New England Journal of Medicine*, April 13, 2016

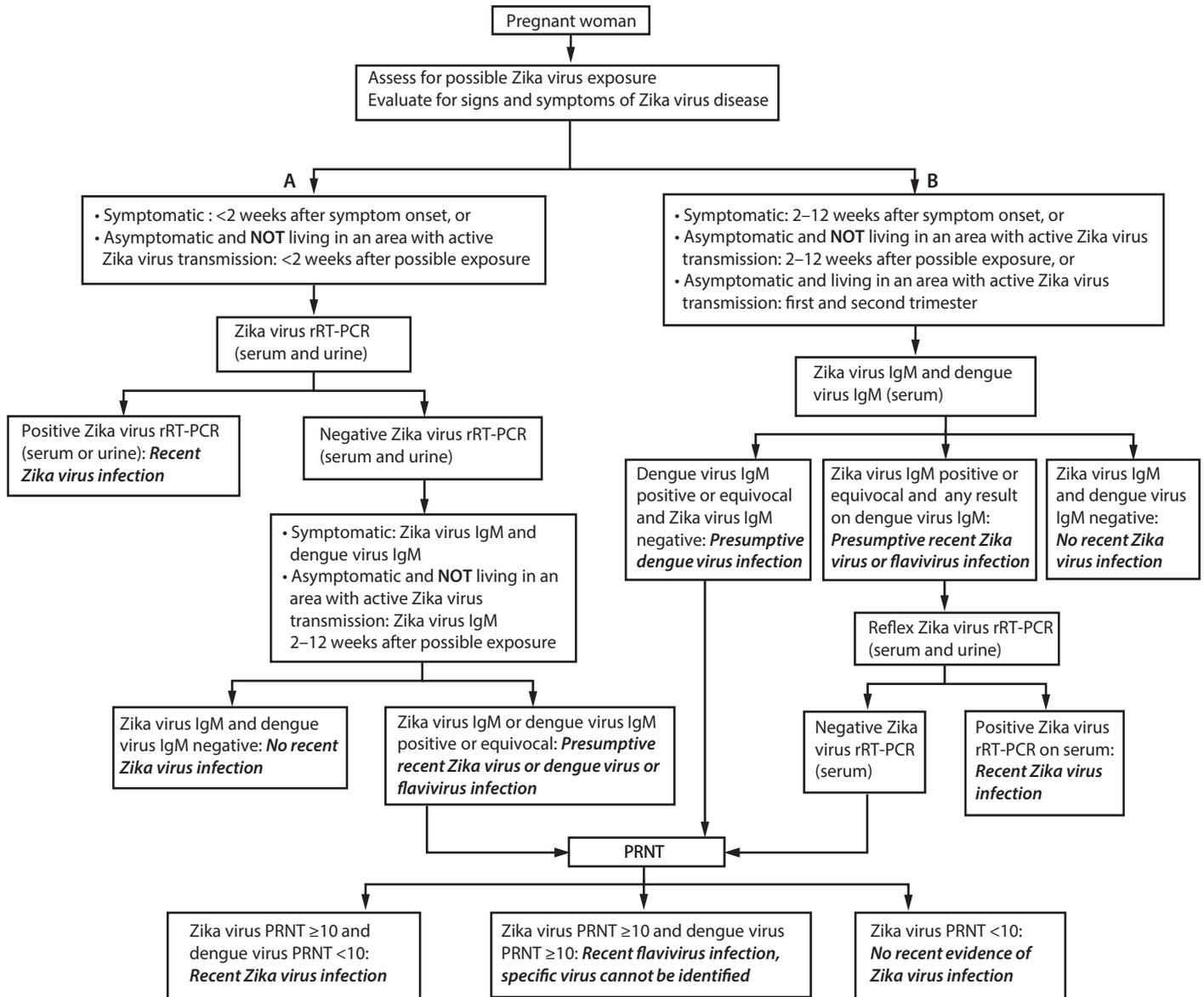
"[Zika] became the first major infectious disease linked to human birth defects to be discovered in more than half a century and created such global alarm that the World Health Organization (WHO) would declare a Public Health Emergency of International Concern."
– Petersen et al. *New England Journal of Medicine*, March 30, 2016

Current Activities Underway to Support Zika Response

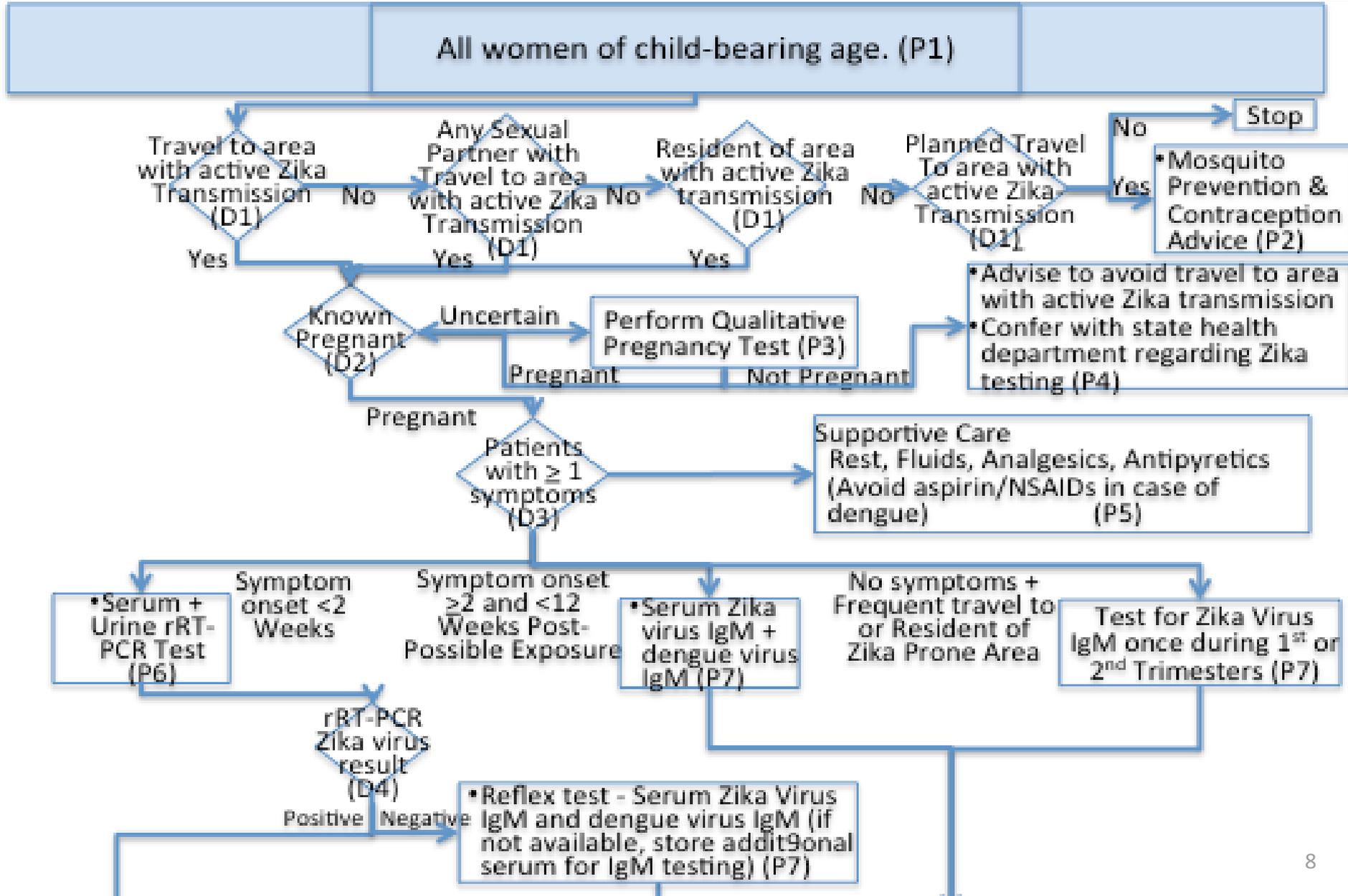
Activities Underway

- Building on lessons learned from Ebola Response and the MERS Response
- Algorithm Development
- Vocabulary Sets
- Order Sets
- Vendor Outreach

MMWR – Guidance for Clinicians



Algorithms for Developers



Algorithms for developers (Information)

1. Areas with active Zika transmission	Areas of known Zika virus transmission. http://www.cdc.gov/zika/geo/index.html
2. Travel and Mosquito Prevention Advice	a. Advice for patients about how to avoid Mosquito bites. http://www.cdc.gov/zika/prevention/index.html b. Advice for patients about which mosquito repellents are effective and safe to use in pregnancy. [DEET, IF3535 and Picardin are safe during] https://www.epa.gov/insect-repellents/find-insect-repellent-right-you
3. Prevention of Sexual Transmission	The most current interim guidelines for prevention of sexual transmission of Zika virus. http://www.cdc.gov/zika/transmission/index.html http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/volumes/65/wr/mm6512e3.htm
4. Signs and Symptoms	Signs and Symptoms of Zika virus disease and information about how a clinician might differentiate Zika virus infection from other similar infections. http://www.cdc.gov/zika/symptoms/index.html
5. Possible microcephaly association	Known information about association between Zika virus infection and microcephaly and other known complications. http://www.cdc.gov/ncbddd/birthdefects/microcephaly.html
6. Zika Virus Diagnostic Testing	Explanation of diagnostic tests for Zika virus and which to use based on the patient's clinical and exposure history. http://www.cdc.gov/zika/hc-providers/diagnostic.html

Algorithms for developers (Value Sets)

Public Health Information Network Vocabulary Access Distribution System (PHIN-VADS)

<https://phinvads.cdc.gov/vads/SearchVocab.action>

PHIN VADS Hot Topics

Zika virus disease associated Lab Vocabulary (ELR) - Includes value sets associated with lab testing algorithm for Zika, Chikungunya and Dengue

[FILE: Zika Lab Test Information 20160517.pdf](#) - Testing algorithm information for Epidemiologist and Lab experts using standard vocabulary

[FILE: Zika virus codes for ELR 20160517.xlsx](#) - Technical information for ELR IT staff - LOINC and SNOMED codes

[LINK: Information for State Public Health labs from CDC](#)

Zika vocabulary for EHR and Health IT vendors - Includes value sets for implementing the CDC's interim guidelines which could be used by EHR community for decision support or pick list.

[LINK: Zika affected areas](#)

[FILE: Zika Virus Vocabulary for EHR - 02_01_2016.pdf](#) - Includes value sets associated with Zika, Dengue, Chikungunya, Arboviral diseases, Pregnancy, Newborn and Infant.

[FILE: Zika related CPT procedure codes 04152016.pdf](#) - CPT procedure codes associated with Zika lab tests and imaging.

Public Health Information Network Vocabulary Access and Distribution System (PHIN VADS)

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Application Version: 4.0.1
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- [Code System Representation \[PDF-420KB\]](#)
- [CSTE Technical Implementation Guide Vocabulary Review \[ZIP\]](#)

Value Set Information

Value Set Code	PHVS_ZikaAffectedAreas_CDC	 Download Value Set
Value Set Name	Zika-affected areas	
Value Set OID	2.16.840.1.114222.4.11.7457	
Value Set Description	Zika-affected areas value set has been created based upon Jan 26th, 2016 travel notice from CDC Zika virus disease website. For more information, please visit http://www.cdc.gov/zika/geo/index.html	

Version History


Version 7
 (Current)
 

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45 Value Set Concepts found


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Order Sets

- How can Zika related order sets be incorporated into health IT products?
- The local variation challenge introduced complexity-mapping variations may prohibit an automated push of orders sets
- Current documentation (i.e., vocabulary standards, etc.) on order sets as related to the clinical guidance documents remain useful

Next Steps: Addressing Ongoing Challenges

- Clinical Decision Support modules on the Zika workflow are still built at the local level (i.e., practice/hospital)
- Capture of Pregnancy Status and other data related to case management of Zika cases
 - » Pregnancy status/outcomes
 - » Infant status/outcomes
 - » Linkage to US Zika Pregnancy Registry

- **Testing Locations are expanding:**
 - » More states are developing capacity for IgM (immunoglobulin M) and plaque reduction neutralization antibody testing (PRNT)
 - » Additional testing in commercial laboratories
- **Participation in the US Zika Pregnancy Registry supports Zika response efforts**
 - » More data would be available to monitor and understand Zika and pregnancy in the United States
 - » Pregnancy reporting supports a coordinated public health response

Building an All-Hazards Approach

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- Consider
 - » Best practices from Ebola and MERS response to aid Zika response efforts (day to day)
 - » Standards Use, e.g.,
 - Clinical Quality Framework/Clinical Decision Support
 - Structured Data Capture

All Hazards Approach: Collecting the Right Information: The Patient Profile



Patient Characteristics

- Gender
- Age
- Pregnancy Status, sexual activity



Exposure

- Where were you? When were you there?
- Examples: travel history, lived in Flint MI, known down wind of a radiation incident



Symptoms

- What the patient says
- E.g. chief complaint – “I have the worst headache ever”



Physical findings

- What the provider measures, e.g. temperature
- What the provider observes, eg. Patient appears sensitive to light



Assessment and Plans

- Tests
- Orders (pregnancy)
- Results

All Hazards Approach: Workflow/Moving the Right Information Across the Care Continuum

TRIGGER



- Identify patients with risk, e.g.,
- All patients presenting to clinic
 - All pregnant female patients

EXPOSURE



Patients who have traveled to areas at risk (e.g., known Zika Virus transmission, lead exposure or radiation)

SYMPTOMS



Patient history / symptoms based on the suspected exposure

FINDINGS - EXAMINATION



Findings on examination consistent with the condition or exposure

TESTING



Studies appropriate to help define if the condition is present

TREATMENT ISOLATION REFERRAL



Recommendations regarding how to manage

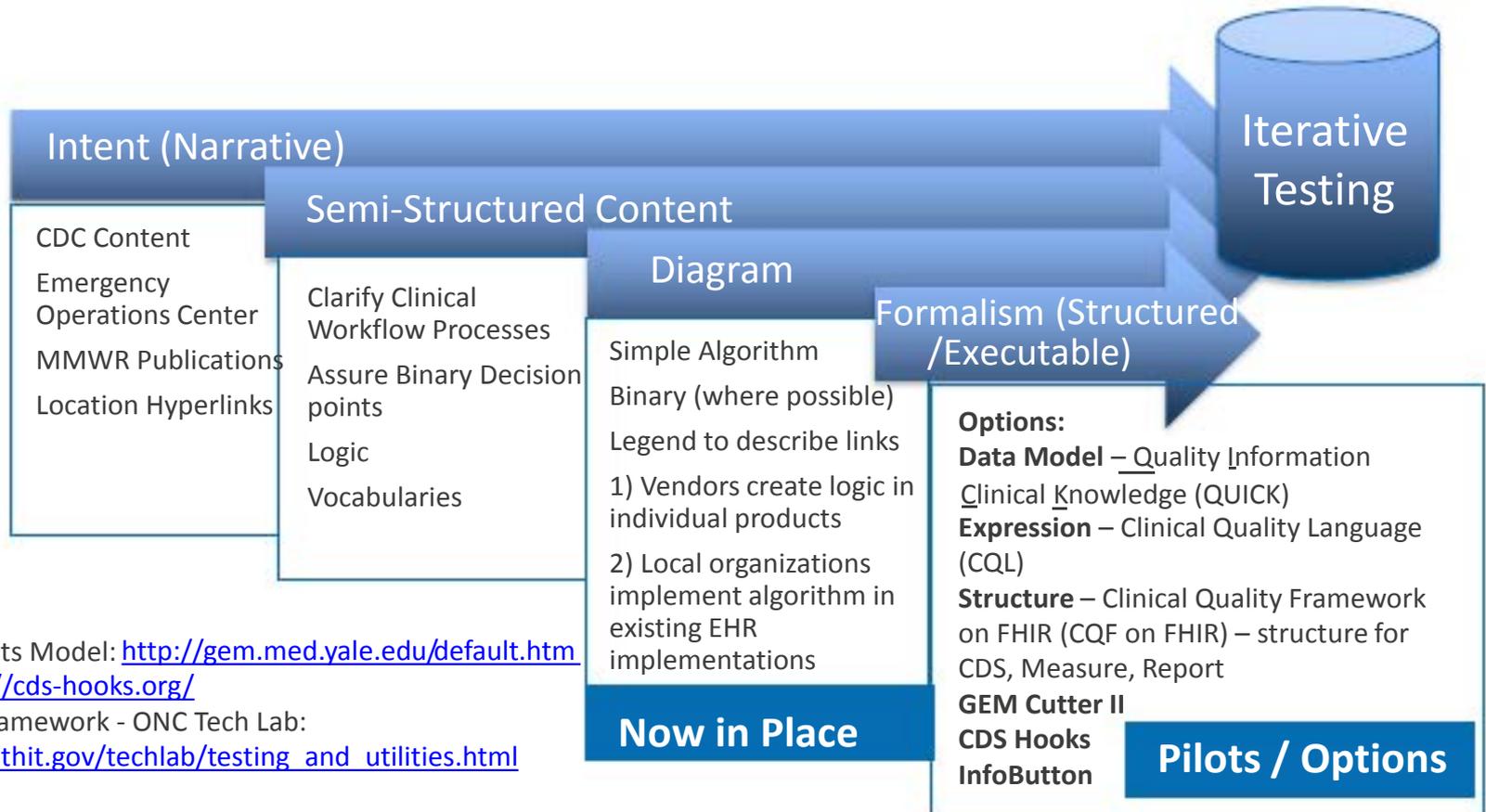
- a) The patient
- b) Healthcare workers
- c) The patient's exposures

All Hazards Approach: Building Blocks

Establishing the right building blocks must consider the hazard:

- For a given situation, the order of the building blocks may change and certain blocks may be of less importance. The objective is to determine the right blocks and where they belong.
- Other considerations may include order and workflow optimization (i.e. move individuals out of the queue, drive reflective questioning)

All Hazards Approach: As Applied to Zika Response Efforts



Guideline Elements Model: <http://gem.med.yale.edu/default.htm>

CDS Hooks: <http://cbs-hooks.org/>

Clinical Quality Framework - ONC Tech Lab:

https://www.healthit.gov/techlab/testing_and_utilities.html

All Hazards Approach: As Applied to Zika Response Efforts

Zika Virus Approach– HL7 Connectathon, September 2016

- **Structured Data Capture**
 - » Zika virus reporting using FHIR questionnaires
- **CDS Hooks**
 - » Zika virus questionnaire using CDC links for travel history and testing recommendations
- **Clinical Quality Framework / FHIR Clinical Reasoning**
 - » Data extraction based on FHIR resources with standard terminology for measures, measure reports, clinical decision support (consideration for Zika Virus pilot)

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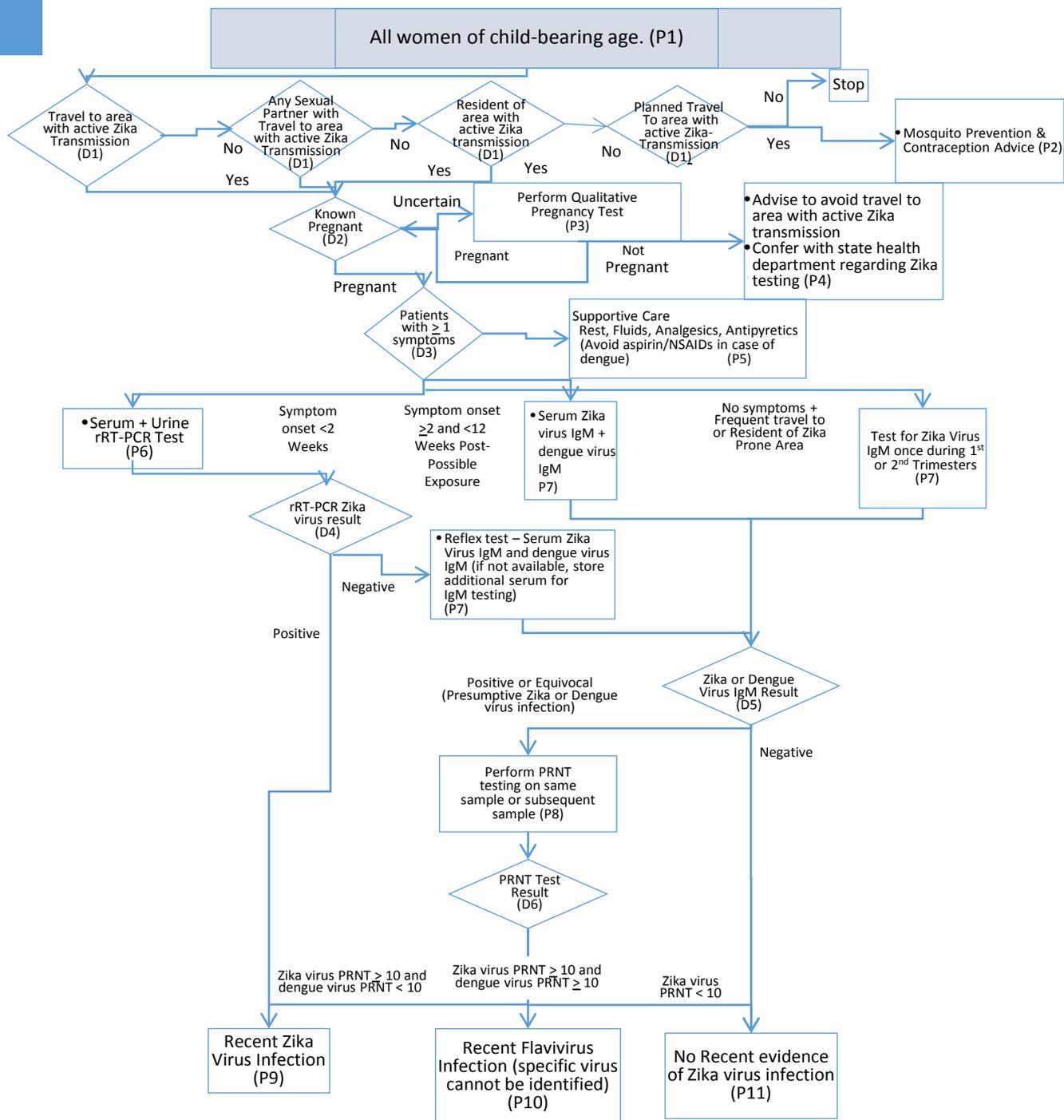
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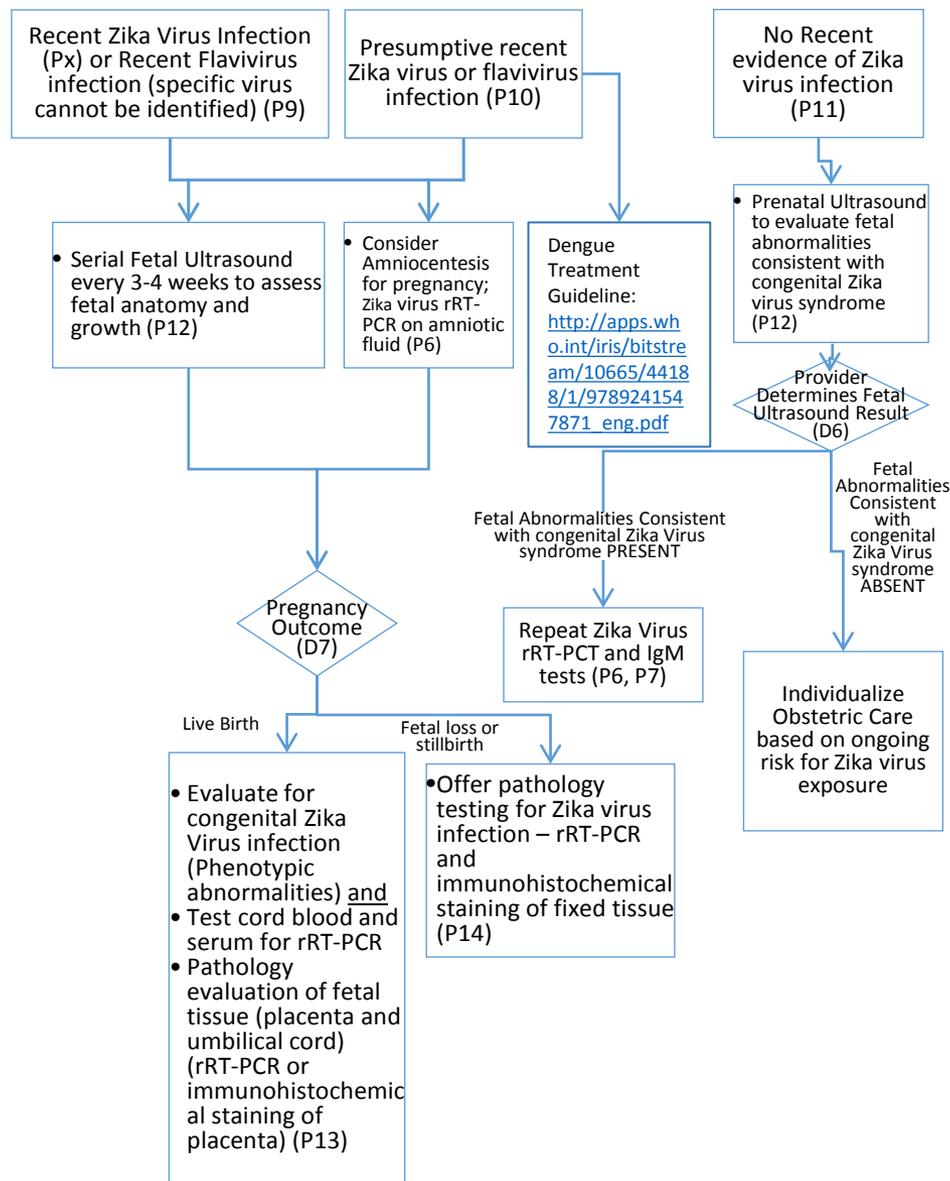
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Appendix: Full Algorithm

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