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Partner Clinic Information
Arranging BTLs at Delivery for Medicaid Patients
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- Women with Medicaid must sign the Consent for Sterilization a minimum of 30 days before the procedure for Medicaid to reimburse the provider and facility. Once signed, the consent is considered active for 180 days.
- If your patient has Medicaid and thinks she might want a BTL she should sign the form ([Sterilization Consent Form](#)).
- A copy of the signed form should be faxed with the woman's prenatal record and she should be given a copy to bring with her when she comes to the hospital.
- The woman should understand that even though she signed the "Consent for Sterilization", she can change her mind and not have a BTL.
- Research indicates that women who are young or who have the procedure done postpartum are most likely to later regret their decision to have a BTL. Therefore, it is useful to explore other options to BTL for any woman likely to be ambivalent or likely to later experience regret.
- Your patient should understand that the Department of OB/GYN and UNC Hospitals will try to do desired BTLs during the postpartum stay but that this is not always possible. If the procedure cannot be done while she is in the hospital you can arrange for her to have an outpatient procedure through the Family Planning Clinic. Appointments can be scheduled at (984) 974-2131. In order for Medicaid to pay for the outpatient BTL, the patient needs to schedule it before her Medicaid for Pregnant Women expires or qualify for the Family Planning Waiver Insurance Program.

