

STD AWARENESS



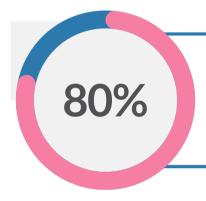
THIS MONTH, WE COVERED:

- GONORRHEA
- **CHLAMYDIA**
- **>** HPV



¿FUN? facts

STDs are transmitted through sexual contact with the penis, vagina, mouth, or anus of an infected partner. Ejaculation does not have to occur for these to be transmitted or acquired.



Human papillomavirus (HPV) is the most common sexually transmitted infection in the United States. 80% of sexually active people have HPV.

Nursing homes have one of the highest rates of STDs in the population.

STDs are treatable, but not all are cureable!



	Chlamydia	HPV	Gonorrhea
What is	common STD caused by infection with Chlamydia trachomatis bacterium	Human Papillomavirus is the most common STI	common STD caused by infection with the Neisseria gonorrhoeae bacterium
Symptoms	Mostly Asymptomatic, abnormal discharge, painful urination, painful sex, bleeding during intercourse	Asymptomatic, genital warts	Asymptomatic, abnormal discharge, painful urination, painful sex, bleeding during intercourse
Pop. at risk	sexually active people, more prevalent in young women	sexually active people, especially having multiple sexual partners	sexually active people, especially teenagers and young adults
Prevention	Abstinence, Condoms, Monogamous Partner	Abstinence, Condoms, Vaccine, Monogamous Partner	Abstinence, Condoms, Monogamous Partner
Complications	Pelvic Inflammatory Disease. Infertility	Cervical Cancer, Genital Warts	Pelvic Inflammatory Disease, Infertility
Pregnancy	possible pre-term delivery, conjunctivitis and pneumonia in the newborn.	possible cervical tissue changes, transmission risk to baby is low	if infected, can cause blindness, joint infection, or a life- threatening blood infection in the baby
Treatment	Antibiotics, treat partner	no treatment for virus, but there is treatment for its complications	Ceftriaxone, treat partner



How to Talk to your partner:

It is best to have open communication before having sex with a new partner.

Find a quiet and private space, and plan to have a conversation before the heat of the moment. You can say that you prefer to be safe and would like to use condoms and get tested together before having sex. Listen to what they have to say, and remember that it is always you decision to move forward or slow things down.

What if I have an STD?

If a person has been diagnosed and treated for any STD, they should tell all recent sexual partners so they can see a health provider and seek treatment.

- Talk to your partner(s) as soon as possible
- be open and honest
- be direct
- listen and encourage questions
- remember that if the roles were reversed, you would want to be told too





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