



# Fort Riley Public Health Department

Public Health Newsletter, April 2023



If you are sexually active, or thinking of becoming sexually active, it is important that you Talk. Test. Treat to protect your health.

These three small actions can have a big impact on your sexual health!

#### April is national Sexually Transmitted Infection/Disease (STI/D) awareness month.

In 2020, even during the peak of the COVID 19 pandemic,

4.5 million reported cases of Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis occurred.

In the United States, almost half of all infections are among people aged 18-24. All STIs are treatable, but not every infection is curable. If left untreated, STIs can lead to disease and increase your risk of infertility and HIV infections.

#### Ask your healthcare provider?

Whether certain vaccines like the HPV vaccine is right for you. What type of pregnancy prevention you are interested in Your sex life as it relates to your health. This includes what STI/D test you should get and how often.

#### When were you last tested?

Not all medical checkups include STI/D testing, so don't assume that you've been tested unless you discuss it with your provider. If your provider does not discuss sex or STI/D and HIV testing with you, bring it up! Not sure how... tips at: https:// www.ncshguide.org/provider-visit/how-do-i-bring-up-the-topic

#### What's your protection method?

Male Condoms / Dental Dams / Female Condoms Even with perfect condom use, some infections can still spread. Talk with your partners openly about your STI status, and get regular sexual health screenings.

WALK-IN HPV Vaccine Clinic

IACH Laboratory & Farrelly Laboratory

Every Friday in April (07, 14, 21, 28)

from 1200 - 1600

**TRICARE Beneficiaries Only Ages 9-26** 

Children 17 & younger

must be accompanied by a guardian!



### What's your status?

🚔 Walk-in "Wellness" Testing for Sexually **Transmitted Infections** Main Hospital Lab (IACH), M-F, Except third Thursday of the month from 0730-1200.

- Tests available: Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, Syphilis, HIV, and Hepatitis C.
- AD, spouses and beneficiaries 16 years or older.
- Walk-ins welcome!
- All positive results will receive follow up call with treatment and education.

Are you experiencing symptoms of an STI/D? It's imperative to be evaluated by a medical provider!

Were told your partner tested positive for STI/D? If you are NOT experiencing symptoms you can get tested!

To learn about more testing and treatment options visit www.gettested.cdc.gov



STI/D Spotlight Monthly Events

Managing Sexually Transmitted Infections Webinar April 20, 2023 1200-1400 EST Keynote Speaker Dr. Christine Johnston, MD, MPH, FIDSA

Please email us if you have any questions or need additional information usn.hampton-roads.navmcpubhlthcenpors.mbx.nmcphc-sexual-health@health.mil

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#### STI/D and HPV Information Table

STI/D and HPV educational material will be offered to all IACH visitors for the entire month of April, courtesy of IACH and Army Public Health Nursing! A public health professional will also be at every walk -- in HPV vaccine clinic.

## Contact Us:

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**Future Health Observances** 

**MAY–Better** Speech & Hearing

JUNE-National Safety

JULY-National **Youth Sports** 

Located in the Caldwell Clinic Building 7665 Normandy Drive

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