CHLAMYDIA IS THE MOST COMMONLY REPORTED DISEASE IN ILLINOIS

Every year there are around 65,000 cases of chlamydia in Illinois. Chlamydia is transmitted through unprotected anal, oral and vaginal sex. Untreated chlamydia infections can lead to complications like pelvic inflammatory disease (PID), ectopic pregnancies and infertility. Women are at a greater risk than men of getting a chlamydia infection.

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- **90%** of men have chlamydia

Simple Testing performed on urine or swabs

2 Pills standard treatment

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Abstain from sexual activity

Use a condom

GET TESTED AND REDUCE YOUR RISK!

Source: Illinois Department of Public Health Sexually Transmitted Diseases Program
Every year there are around 17,000 cases of gonorrhea in Illinois. Gonorrhea can cause an infection in the anus, eyes, mouth, penis, throat, urinary tract or uterus and is transmitted through unprotected anal, oral and vaginal sex. Many women and men with gonorrhea do not have symptoms.

Who has gonorrhea?

Cases are equal in men and women

Untreated Gonorrhea

- Increases risk of getting HIV
- Can cause infertility
- Can spread to blood, heart, skin and joints

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Source: Illinois Department of Public Health Sexually Transmitted Diseases Program
Every year there are around 1,600 cases of syphilis in Illinois. Syphilis is transmitted through direct contact with syphilis sores during unprotected anal, oral and vaginal sex. Early symptoms of syphilis are a sore and later symptoms may be a rash, headache, fever, sore throat, aches, hair loss, and swollen joints. If syphilis is not treated, it can cause arthritis, blindness, heart disease, mental illness, and death.

Who has syphilis?

- 9 of 10 cases are in men

Cases are in ALL ages:

- 50% Black
- 30% White
- 16% Hispanic

HIV Co-infection:

- Sores make it easier to get HIV during sex
- About 35% of people with syphilis also are infected with HIV

Simple Testing:

- One blood draw

Simple Treatment:

- One dose of medicine for most cases

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