

HIV.STI.Hepatitis Testing in ND

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Health & Human Services



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Many Sexually Active Individuals Should be Tested Yearly for Chlamydia & Gonorrhea.

Women	Sexually active women under 25 years of age Sexually active women aged 25 years and older if at increased risk Retest approximately 3 months after treatment
Pregnant Women	All pregnant women under 25 years of age Pregnant women, aged 25 and older if at increased risk Retest during the 3rd trimester for women under 25 years of age or at risk Note: Pregnant women with chlamydial infection should have a test-of-cure 3-4 weeks after treatment and be retested within 3 months
Men	Consider screening young men in high prevalence clinical settings or in populations with high burden of infection (e.g. MSM)
Men Who have Sex With Men (MSM)	At least annually for sexually active MSM at sites of contact (urethra, rectum) regardless of condom use Every 3 to 6 months if at increased risk*
Transgender & Gender Diverse Individuals	Screening recommendations should be adapted based on anatomy (i.e., annual, routine screening in cisgender women < 25 years old should be extended to all transgender men and gender diverse people with a cervix.

*Test every 3-6 months people with multiple sex partners, who have anonymous sex partners, with inconsistent condom use when not in a mutually monogamous relationship, who have sex with men who have sex with men, with history of STI infections, who exchange sex for drugs or money, who have sex while drunk or high, who have ever injected drugs and/or received tattoos and/or body piercings in an unlicensed setting.

https://www.cdc.gov/std/treatment-guidelines/default.htm

There have been 5 cases of congenital syphilis in N.D. since Jan. 2020.

Syphilis Screening Recommendations

Pregnant Women	 All pregnant women at the first prenatal visit Retest early in the third trimester and at delivery
Men Who have Sex With Men (MSM)	 At least annually for sexually active MSM Every 3 to 6 months if at increased risk
Persons with HIV	 For sexually active individuals, screen at first HIV evaluation, and at least annually thereafter More frequent screening might be appropriate depending on individual risk behaviors and the local epidemiology



Everyone 13 to 64 years should know their HIV status.



Additional HIV Screening

- Sex with HIV Positive Individual
- Persons who Injects Drugs
- Exchanged Sex for Drugs or Money
- Diagnosed with or Exposed to STDs
- Diagnosed with TB or Hepatitis
- Anonymous Sex Partners
- Pregnant Women Each Pregnancy
- Men who Have Sex with Men



Hepatitis C screening is recommended for all U.S. adults and all pregnant women during every pregnancy.



HCV Screening

- All adults aged 18 years and older
- All pregnant women during each pregnancy
- People who ever injected drugs and shared needles, syringes, or other drug preparation equipment, including those who injected once or a few times many years ago
- Children born to mothers with HCV infection



CTR Sites Provide Free HIV and HCV Testing in ND.



CTR: Counseling, Testing and Referral

- Free HIV and HCV Rapid Testing
 - Results Available in About 20 Minutes
- Many Clinic Types: Family Planning Clinics, Student Health, Local Public Health Units, Community Health Centers, Syringe Service Programs
- www.health.nd.gov/HIV/Testing



Many CTR Sites Also Offer STI Testing.



- STI testing is based on site of exposure. Individuals are charged per site tested.
- Some CTR sites offer low cost or reduced fee STI testing.



Individuals can be Tested for HIV, STIs and Hepatitis C without Leaving Their Home.



https://nddoh.mybinxhealth.com/

- 1. Complete Assessment, Choose Tests
- 2. Kit Arrives at Home
- 3. Individual Collects Samples, Returns Kit
- 4. Results Delivered Electronically or by Phone
- 5. Clinician Follow-Up as Needed



HIV PrEP Access in North Dakota.

- PrEP is available at some CTR sites.
- At-Home Testing: PrEP Labs.
- PrEP not available at all primary care offices.
- Important component of prevention services for persons who inject drugs.





Hepatitis C Treatment in North Dakota.



- Limited number of primary care providers prescribe treatment; HCV treatment primarily performed by Infectious Disease physicians
- Insurance Restrictions, ND Medicaid
 - No history of alcohol use disorder or history or injection drug use: 1 drug and alcohol test
 - Enrolled or Completed Substance Use Treatment Program: 1 drug and alcohol test, assessment for readiness of treatment
 - Has not completed substance use treatment program: 2 drug and alcohol tests, at least 3 months apart; has maintained sobriety for the past year



Resource for Your Area: Field Epidemiologists. Partner Services, Case Investigations.



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Educational Materials and Prevention Supplies Available.

health.nd.gov/HIV/Supplies

- Brochures
- Posters
- Prevention Supplies: Condoms, Dental Dams, Lubricant, Safer Sex Kits
- Provider Guides for Sexual Health Services





The United States will be a place where sexually transmitted infections are prevented and where every person has high-quality STI prevention, care, and treatment while living free from stigma and discrimination. This vision includes all people, regardless of age, sex, gender identity, sexual orientation, race, ethnicity, religion, disability, geographic location, or socioeconomic circumstance.

> Vision from the STI National Strategic Plan: 2021 - 2025

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