

Protect Your Health: Get Screened for Chlamydia and Gonorrhea

Facts



- Chlamydia and gonorrhea are common sexually transmitted infections ^{1 2}
- Many people have no symptoms, but the infection can still be passed ^{3 4}

How will I Know?

- Most people do not notice signs, so testing is the best way to know
- Chlamydia and gonorrhea can also be found in the throat causing sore throat and in the rectum causing rectal itchiness, discharge, and painful bowel movements^{5 6}

Born with a cervix:

- pain when peeing
- pain during or after sexual intercourse
- unusual spotting
- bleeding between periods
- increase in vaginal discharge^{5 6}

Born with a penis:

- burning sensation when peeing
- itchiness or discharge from the penis^{5 6}

How it spreads

- These infections spread through vaginal, anal, or oral sex with someone who has the infection^{5 6}
- The infection can be passed at any time until it is treated with antibiotics^{5 6}



Prevention

- Use condoms correctly every time you have sex.
- Get tested:
 - person with cervix: a vaginal swab is the most accurate test ⁷
 - person with penis: urine test ⁷
- Ask your primary care provider or visit a Sexual Health Clinic about getting testing and how often you should get tested



Learn the facts - Knowledge helps you stay in control

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