

# Community PREVENTION HIV/STI Testing

It is advisable to undergo STI screenings for HIV/AIDS, HEP C, and syphilis at least once or twice a year. Upon receiving test results, we provide linkage to care and referrals for further assistance.

## Rapid HIV/AIDS Screening



The HIV test is user-friendly and provides results within just 20 minutes. Using a simple finger prick, our testers collect a small blood sample to check for antibodies and antigens, components of the virus. Unlike tests solely detecting antibodies, ours can identify recent infections as early as 3 weeks post-exposure, enabling swift detection of HIV.

## Rapid Viral Hepatitis C Screening



The antibody blood test assesses if you've ever encountered the hepatitis C virus by detecting antibodies against it. These antibodies are generated by your immune system to combat infections. Hepatitis C commonly manifests without symptoms, meaning you could be infected even if you feel well.

## PrEP Education



Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) is a medication designed to lower the risk of acquiring HIV through sexual activity or injection drug use. Individuals who are HIV-negative but face a heightened risk of contracting the virus can take PrEP as a preventive measure. This medication is available in pill or shot form, with Truvada and Descovy being the two approved pills for PrEP use.



## Rapid Syphilis Screening

This test provides results within 10 minutes, facilitating quick diagnosis and intervention. It boasts a sensitivity of 98.0% and a specificity of 97.2%. With its straightforward 2-step testing process, it's user-friendly and doesn't require additional equipment or readers.

## Linkage to Care/ Treatment



The initial step in accessing HIV care is establishing a linkage to care. These services, delivered by proficient professionals, are offered free of charge. Specialists in linkage to care utilize various tools—social, behavioral, educational, and sociological—to pinpoint and address obstacles hindering linkage and retention in medical care.

## U=U Education



"U=U" represents "undetectable equals untransmittable," forming a health and human rights movement aimed at elucidating how sexual transmission of HIV can be halted. It asserts that individuals with HIV cannot transmit the virus through sexual activity if their HIV levels are undetectable.

# - Get Tested, Know your Status

