



Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

What are STDs?

An STD is an infection that you can get by having sex with someone else who has the infection. It can be caused by a virus, bacteria, or parasite. You can get it from sexual intercourse, oral sex, or skin-to-skin contact. viral, bacterial, or parasitic infection that is transmitted by sexual intercourse, oral sex, or skin-to-skin contact. The only way to completely protect yourself 100% is to avoid sex. However, the using condoms can provide some protection against certain types of infection, but condoms are not very effective good at protecting you against herpes or genital warts.

All of the infections listed below can be spread by sexual contact:

Pubic Lice (Crabs)

This is a parasitic infection of the pubic region when you have lice in your genital area,. but The lice can spread to other hair on your body and from one person to another by skin-to-skin contact. Infection Lice cause redness and itching around the genital area. This infection can be treated and cured by your doctor.

Trichomoniasis (“trick”, BV, or bacterial vaginosis)

This is a parasitic infection that is spread by sexual intercourse that can cause heavy green vaginal discharge and pain when urinating (when you pee). Men who are infected usually do not have complaints. This infection can be treated and cured by your doctor. Your partner needs to be treated to prevent you from getting the infection again.

Chlamydia (“clap”)

This is a bacterial infection that is spread by sexual intercourse that can cause yellow vaginal discharge, pain when urinating, genital itching, and abdominal pain. Men may have pain when they urinate or a penile discharge from the penis. This infection can be treated and cured by your doctor. Your partner needs to be treated to prevent you from getting the infection again.

Gonorrhea

This is a bacterial infection that is spread by sexual intercourse that can result in a cause yellow or green vaginal discharge, pain when urinating, fever, vaginal bleeding, pain with sex, genital itching, and abdominal pain. Men may have painful urination or a penile discharge from the penis. This infection can be treated and cured by your doctor. Your partner needs to be treated to prevent you from getting the infection againre-infection.

Syphilis

This is a bacterial infection that is spread by sexual intercourse that can result in can cause a painless sore on your genitals, swollen glands, rash, seizures, and fever. This infection can be treated and cured by your doctor.

HIV

This is a viral infection that is spread by sexual intercourse that results in a weakened infection can harm your immune system and later causes leads to AIDS. HIV infection can not be cured at this time, but medications can prolong life help you live longer and reduce the severity of symptoms.

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