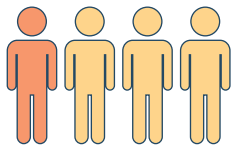


BE IN THE KNOW ABOUT SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED DISEASES (STDs)

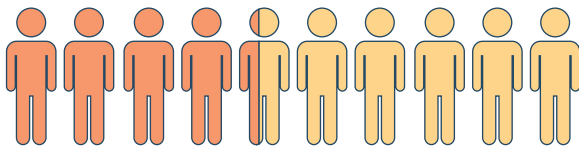
WHAT ARE STDs?

STDs are diseases that are passed from one person to another through sexual activity like oral, anal, and vaginal sex, as well as skin-to-skin contact with an infected area or sore.

Some STDs do not cause any symptoms and it's impossible to know if someone has an STD just by looking at them.



1 in 4 sexually active females aged **14-19** has an **STD**.¹



Of youth with HIV in the United States, **44%** do not know they are infected.²

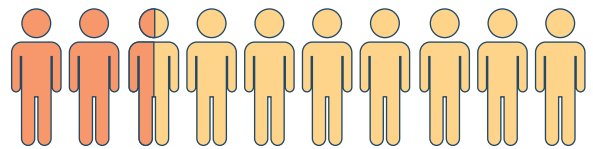
If you have been sexually active, getting tested for STDs is important. Visit <https://gettested.cdc.gov/> to find a clinic near you.

If an STD goes untreated, it can cause long-lasting health effects. Abstinence is the best way to prevent STDs.

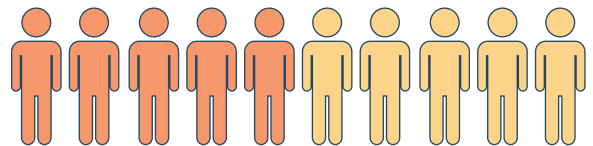
WANT TO KNOW MORE?

There are many different STDs. The most common ones include human papillomavirus (HPV), herpes, chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and HIV.

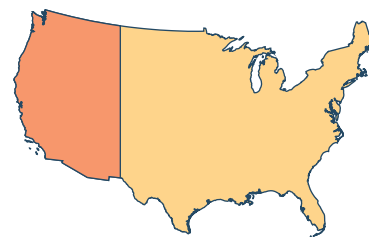
Many STDs can be easily cured, like chlamydia and gonorrhea. Other STDs cannot be cured, but can be treated, which means medication can help with symptoms. This includes STDs like herpes, HPV, and HIV.



15-24 year olds make up just over **25%** of the **sexually active** population...



but account for **50%** of the **20 million new STDs** in the US each year.³



Youth ages **13 to 24** accounted for an estimated **21%** of all **new HIV infections** in the United States in 2017.⁴

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WHERE TO GET MORE INFORMATION

General STD Information

<http://www.cdc.gov/std/prevention/default.html>

¹ Sexually Transmitted Disease Surveillance 2017. <https://www.cdc.gov/std/stats17/adolescents.htm/>

² HIV Among Youth. <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/group/age/youth/>

³ Adolescents and Young Adults. <http://www.cdc.gov/std/life-stages-populations/adolescents-youngadults.htm>

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