

Diagnosed with an STI?

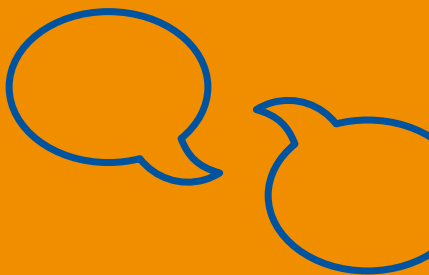
Being diagnosed with a sexually transmitted infection (STI) may cause many feelings ranging from fear, hurt, embarrassment, anger, suspicion and guilt. Sometimes these feelings can get in the way of people telling their partner(s) of the need to be tested and treated for infection.

It is possible to have an STI and have no symptoms. Even without symptoms an STI can cause complications such as chronic pain or infertility.

Why is it important to tell partners?

Treating all recent sexual partners helps you and your partners avoid future health complications, and reduce the chance that they might pass the STI to future partners.

It is important that current and previous partners from the last six months are tested and treated.



What do I say?

Tell your partner(s) that they need to see a doctor or visit a sexual health clinic. Let them know that testing is simple and usually the infection is easily treated with a single dose of antibiotics.

For help finding your nearest sexual health clinic visit:
www.health.qld.gov.au/sexhealth/help/default.asp.

Or find your nearest GP:
www.racgp.org.au/findapractice

For tips on what to say visit:
www.letthemknow.org.au/talking

OR Tell them they can order a postal test kit for chlamydia by visiting:
www.health.qld.gov.au/sexhealth/chlamydia/order_form.asp

For information on STIs visit:

[www.health.qld.gov.au/
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