

CHLAMYDIA

The Basics

What is Chlamydia?

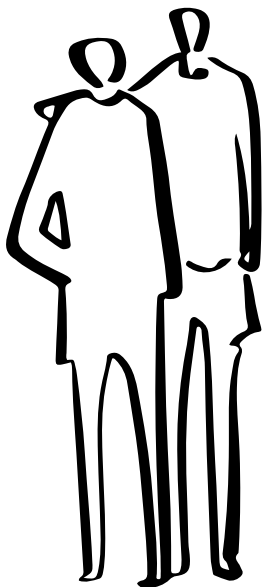
- Chlamydia is a common sexually transmitted infection (STI) that can cause infection among all genders.
- Chlamydia is spread by vaginal, anal, and/or oral sex with someone who has a chlamydia infection.
- Signs and symptoms can include: burning with urination, discharge from the penis or vagina, pain and swelling in one or both testicles, rectal pain, and bleeding.
- For many people, chlamydia can have no symptoms. Therefore, many people have chlamydia and don't know it.

Here's what you need to know:

- Chlamydia is easy to treat. Both you and your partner(s) should seek medical care and start medication as prescribed right away.
- If left untreated, chlamydia can cause damage to the reproductive system of all genders. Untreated chlamydia may also increase your risk of getting human immunodeficiency virus (HIV).
- Having chlamydia during pregnancy can be harmful to the baby.

Treatment:

- The best way to take care of this infection is to visit a clinic or healthcare provider right away.
- Complete the medication as prescribed and abstain from sex for at least 7 days.
- Because people can have more than one STI at the same time it is recommended you get tested for other STIs as soon as possible.



"It wasn't easy hearing about this but I'm glad I got treated right away."

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