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**CALIFORNIA**

The California STD Control Branch has a free site offering downloadable promotional and educational materials. This is available at [www.stdhivtraining.org/swap](http://www.stdhivtraining.org/swap). It includes a number of materials particularly appropriate for school educators, including:

- Making the Connection Between HIV and STDs, an 8-lesson plan STD resource guide.
- STD 101 Power Point: Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs), What You Need to Know to Stay Healthy," a 50-minute interactive power point.

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**FLORIDA**

Ms. Susan O'Bryan, M.L.S., Systems Project Analyst, Bureau of STD Prevention and Control, has developed a comprehensive Interstate Communication Control Record (ICCR) profile (**attachment #1**) for all STD Project Areas. Each of the STD Project profiles includes:

- > Project Area Name
- > Contact person(s)
- > Mailing Address
- > Phone and FAX numbers
- > STD/HIV reports accepted
- > Preferred method to receive STD reports
- > Return disposition policy on positive STD/HIV labs, partners and clusters

As point of contact(s), phone numbers, address, etc., change, the Bureau requests each Project Area to provide an update and submit changes to Ms. O'Bryan at [Susan\\_OBryan@doh.state.fl.us](mailto:Susan_OBryan@doh.state.fl.us).

NOTE: Maintenance of this document will be transferred to the Program and Training Branch once an individual is identified.

From the Florida Bureau of STD Prevention and Control, many thanks to the nation's STD Project Area partners who contributed to this document.

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**MASSACHUSETTS**

Can a guy prevent getting a sexually-transmitted disease (STD) by peeing after sex? How do I talk to my boyfriend about using a condom? Where can I get tested for STDs and HIV in Massachusetts and what can I expect when I get there? These and many other questions are answered on a new website, [www.STD411.org](http://www.STD411.org), which was launched in July 2008. With the goal of reaching sexually-active people in their twenties, the website is designed to be user-friendly and easy to navigate while providing practical information to help people make healthy decisions to prevent STDs.

In 2007, Massachusetts residents aged 20-24 had the highest incidence of gonorrhea (178 per 100,000) and chlamydia (1,310 per 100,000) among all age groups. The distribution of gonorrhea and chlamydia is widespread throughout Massachusetts, with a concentration in urban areas. STDs disproportionately impact communities of color living in metropolitan areas of Boston, Springfield, Worcester, Lowell, Lawrence, Fall River, Brockton, and New Bedford.

Through a partnership between Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the AIDS Action Committee, the website is designed to be responsive to the recommendations made by young adults at focus groups conducted in Boston and Worcester. Common themes that emerged from the focus groups included the use of a diversity of people pictured on the site, a variety of emotions of the people in the photos, statistics that indicate how probable it is to get an STD, and where to get screenings – including an STD clinic finder map. By surveying medical providers at STD clinics, “The Top 10 STD Questions” for men and women are posted on the site.

Plans are underway to extensively market the [www.STD411.org](http://www.STD411.org) in the summer and fall 2008 through transit advertising, The Phoenix, The Metro, and on popular websites for young adults.

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## **MICHIGAN**

The Michigan Department of Community Health, STD Program has received \$750,000 in supplemental State funding to fight chlamydia (CT) and gonorrhea (GC).

Michigan’s STD Program staff members have spent the last year preparing cost analysis, testimony and briefs in an effort to raise awareness and support for additional State funding to fight CT and GC. Last week the hard work paid off. The Program was awarded \$750,000 annually for four years to implement the State’s *Gonorrhea and Chlamydia Reduction Plan*. This is the program’s first significant increase since 1993.

Resources will be used to increase targeted screening, particularly in adolescent venues, identify non-traditional screening sites, improve partner referral and management, and engage the private sector to increase screening. Specific initiatives include working with public and private partners to broadly implement such innovations as the use of electronic media for partner notification, field delivered therapy, and express screening visits.

Approximately 1/3 of the resources will be distributed via a competitive funding process to increase screening to disproportionately impacted populations who are not currently being screened. A portion of the resources will also be used to build capacity at the State level to identify and disseminate best practices to Michigan's front line providers.

In 2007, 54,733 cases of CT and GC were diagnosed in Michigan. Calculating only cost savings due to avoided pelvic inflammatory disease (PID) as a result of early diagnosis and treatment of chlamydia and gonorrhea, and projecting at the conservative level of a 10% reduction, **in 2012 the program will save over \$7 million in public and private sector resources.**

For more information about the Plan, contact Amy Peterson, IPP Coordinator, at 313-456-4425 or [petersonam@michigan.gov](mailto:petersonam@michigan.gov).

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## **SAN FRANCISCO**

1. Rates of early syphilis are continuing to increase. As of the end of June 2008, 218 early syphilis cases of syphilis were reported compared to 185 for the same period last year, an increase of 18%. Additionally, a total of 131 cases of P&S syphilis were reported compared to 106 for the same period last year, an increase of 24%. This is very unfortunate since CDC recently notified us that the syphilis elimination (SE) funds in 2009 are being reduced by \$50,000. In addition to the \$450,000 cut the STD Program received in January 2008, SE funding will have been reduced by nearly 50% in the past two years.
2. The STD Section included an Editorial Note in the latest Monthly STD Report about poppers. Research studies consistently find that popper use is linked with new STDs and HIV. Often, they are used along with other drugs, such as cocaine or methamphetamine during sex. The STD Program recommends that providers educate their patients about poppers – how to use them safely and the risks of popper use. Since many patients don't consider poppers to be a drug, sexual, health and substance use assessments should include direct questions about popper use.
3. In collaboration with CDC, Denver and Long Beach, the San Francisco STD Prevention and Control Section conducted a Research Project that developed **Safe in the City**, an STD prevention video for use in STD Clinic waiting rooms. The findings of the Safe in the City waiting room video intervention trial showed an almost 10% reduction in new STDs among STD clinic patients who were exposed to the video. An article reporting on the findings was published in the 6/23/08 edition of PloS Medicine and can be directly downloaded from [www.stdpreventiononline.org](http://www.stdpreventiononline.org). Two podcast interviews, one with Dr. Lee Warner, the lead author of the PloS paper and one with Dr. John Douglas, the Director of the Division of STD prevention are also on STDPreventionOnline. Free videos and technical assistance can be obtained by visiting the Safe in the City web site, [www.safeinthecity.org](http://www.safeinthecity.org).

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## **INFERTILITY PREVENTION PROJECT (IPP)**

### **REGION I**

The Region I (New England) IPP Infrastructure grantee, JSI Research and Training Institute, Inc., created a Spanish language version of “Listen Up!, <http://famplan.org/docs/listenupenglish5.12.06.pdf>, a Chlamydia prevention and education brochure targeting adolescents initially produced in 2004. The new brochure, “Escuchen!” <http://famplan.org/docs/escucha.pdf>, was developed through focus group and key informant interviews in order to evaluate the cultural and linguistic appropriateness of the translated text, format, and images. Thirty thousand copies were printed for distribution in the six New England states. Focus group evaluation was conducted with male and female Spanish-speaking Latino youth between the ages of 16-20. The overall impression of the brochure among the adolescents was positive. Participants felt the look was attractive and “interesting,” it “got their attention,” and they liked that you could not tell immediately what it was about – so they felt they could read it with some degree of confidentiality. One participant stated “Comparing with the other ones you see in the clinics. The others in the clinics say a lot of words and look boring. This one looks more attractive. It could be about something else.” Participant recommendations included changing the character names, increasing emphasis on the “silent” nature of the disease and lack of symptoms, describing in detail specific recommendations for protection and presenting the relative risk of oral, vaginal, anal sex. Key informants were helpful in final selection of character names and additional resource listings for the back cover. The brochure will be distributed free of charge at Region I Title X Family Planning and other IPP sites. Links to site where listed: <http://famplan.org/pubs.htm> (<http://www.famplan.org/pubs.htm>); <http://famplan.org/splang.htm> (<http://www.famplan.org/splang.htm>); <http://famplan.org/adoles.htm> (<http://www.famplan.org/adoles.htm>)

A few hard copies are available. Please contact Jennifer Kawatu, JSI Providence at [jkawatu@jsi.com](mailto:jkawatu@jsi.com).

### **REGION II**

1. In preparation for the new CSPS cooperative agreement announcement as well as the ongoing revision of project priorities for 2009-2011, the Region II IPP advisory committee recently spent significant time detailing project activities, strategies, short-term objectives, and long-term outcomes for the regional project. Priorities identified included using morbidity to target screening, improve opportunities for screening males, describing pregnancy-test only and emergency contraception family planning client populations and developing screening protocols, exploring lab capacity to process non-genital specimens, as well as using data for program planning and addressing health disparities.

Outcomes were linked to strategies and a draft regional logic model was developed (**attachment #2**). Each of the Region II project areas agreed to address at least one of the priorities in their 2009 CSPA-IPP application. The region will continue to refine strategies and outcomes and to develop a corresponding evaluation plan for the model during this next fiscal year. Please contact Dawn Middleton, Cicatelli Associates, [DMiddleton@cicatelli.org](mailto:DMiddleton@cicatelli.org), for additional information.

2. The IPP partners with the Office of Population Affairs (OPA) and their Title X Family Planning grantees to support regional infrastructure activities to promote the screening for and treatment of Chlamydia and gonorrhea among at-risk, sexually active women and their sex partners. OPA recently competed funds for a national Family Planning Training Center and Cicatelli Associates of New York City, IPP's Region II infrastructure partner, was awarded this new grant.

The National Training Center for Family Planning (NTC) has recently launched their website <http://www.fpntc.org>. The website has a host of features Title X Training Centers and Title X Programs can access, but likely to be of particular interest to many is the Tools and Resources section, which contains links and downloads for a variety of training resources. STD prevention programs may find useful information as well.

Besides listing the tools and resources available, this section provides brief descriptions, any related costs, and available contact information associated with accessing the items. The website also features a submissions page where people can submit training resources that they have found to be particularly useful. For more information, please email [NTC@cicatelli.org](mailto:NTC@cicatelli.org) or call 212-594-7741.

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## **HUMAN PAPILOMA VIRUS (HPV)**

Dear Colleagues,

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) would like to alert you to several new and updated HPV materials from CDC that are now available online. Please share this information widely with others in the field.

### **NEW PATIENT MATERIALS**

- ***Making Sense of your HPV and Pap Test Results: Plain language Patient brochure, available in English & Spanish*** (July 2008)

This 17 page brochure explains the meaning of Pap and HPV test results and answers common patient questions about HPV, such as how to talk to your partner about HPV. It includes "questions to ask your doctor" to help prepare

women for next steps, and a glossary of terms. It has been tested with 30-65 year-old African-American, Hispanic, and Caucasian women, and will be available in print August 2008.

1. English Brochure (PDF)  
[www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/pap/HPV\\_Patient\\_English%20singles.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/pap/HPV_Patient_English%20singles.pdf)
2. Spanish brochure (PDF)  
[www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/pap/HPV\\_Patient\\_Spanish%20singles.pdf](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/pap/HPV_Patient_Spanish%20singles.pdf)
3. Html version [www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/pap/](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/pap/) -- from this page, you can also access an easy format for commercial printing

## **OTHER PATIENT MATERIALS**

- **Common questions about HPV & cervical cancer** (August 2007)  
[www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/common-questions.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/common-questions.htm)
- **Counseling messages** for patients receiving a Pap & HPV test; for patients receiving abnormal Pap/HPV test results; for patients receiving a genital warts diagnosis; and for parents of preteens re. HPV vaccine (August 2007): see [www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/hpv-clinicians-brochure.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/hpv-clinicians-brochure.htm)

## **NEW/UPDATED MATERIALS FOR THE PUBLIC**

- **HPV fact sheet** (updated April 2008) [www.cdc.gov/std/HPV/STDFact-HPV.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/std/HPV/STDFact-HPV.htm)
- **HPV Vaccine Information for Young Women** (updated June 2008)  
[www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/STDFact-HPV-vaccine.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/STDFact-HPV-vaccine.htm)
- **Plain language HPV brochure** (Feb 2008) [www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/the-facts](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/the-facts)

## **UPDATED PROVIDER MATERIALS**

- **HPV Vaccine Information for Clinicians** (updated June 2008)  
[www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/STDFact-HPV-vaccine-hcp.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/std/Hpv/STDFact-HPV-vaccine-hcp.htm)

As always, other HPV materials for men, women, providers, etc., are available on the HPV website at [www.cdc.gov/std/hpv](http://www.cdc.gov/std/hpv). Your feedback on these materials and whether or how they've been useful for your organization and constituents would be very much appreciated. If these products are not meeting your needs, your thoughts on how to improve upon them would also be most helpful.

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**Training Highlights  
September-November 2008**

The “Training Highlights” section provides information on upcoming STD training activities of the National Network of STD/HIV PTCs (NNPTC) and the Health Professional Training and Education Unit in the DSTDP. For complete descriptions of classes and self-study educational resources, please visit the NNPTC website [www.stdhivpreventiontraining.org](http://www.stdhivpreventiontraining.org), and the CDC STD training website <http://www.cdc.gov/std/training/>

## **Partner Services and Program Support Training**

### Other Partner Services Courses

Advanced STD Intervention (ASTDI)  
City TBD, FL (Oct 21-24, 2008)  
Columbus, GA (Nov 4-7, 2008)  
Las Vegas, NV (Nov 4-7, 2008)

STD Intervention for Supervisors (STDIS)  
Baltimore, MD (Sep 9-12, 2008)  
Phoenix, AZ (Sep 23-26, 2008)

Principles of STD Supervision (Principles)  
Phoenix, AZ (Nov 4-7, 2008)

Specific information on the above courses can be found on the DSTDP Training Webpage <http://www.cdc.gov/std/training/courses.htm>

## **Clinical and Laboratory Training**

### STD Intensive Clinical Courses

STD Intensive  
September 15-19, 2008, Cincinnati, OH  
Sponsor: Cincinnati PTC, [www.stdptc.uc.edu](http://www.stdptc.uc.edu) , and the Cincinnati Health Department  
Contact: Barbara Forney, [forneyba@ucmail.uc.edu](mailto:forneyba@ucmail.uc.edu) or 513-558-3197

Three day STD Clinical Intensive Flex course  
October 21, 2008, Boston, MA  
Sponsor: Sylvie Ratelle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center of New England,  
<http://www.state.ma.us/dph/cdc/stdtcmai/stdtcmai.htm>  
Contact: Janine Dyer, [Janine.Dyer@state.ma.us](mailto:Janine.Dyer@state.ma.us) , or 617-983-6964

STD Intensive Course  
October 27-30, 2008, Richmond, VA  
Class is limited to 10 participants  
Sponsors: Region III STD/HIV PTC and Virginia Department of Health  
Contact: Caroline Campbell, [Caroline.Campbell@vdh.virginia.gov](mailto:Caroline.Campbell@vdh.virginia.gov), or 804-864-7978

Three day STD Clinical Intensive Flex course

October 29, 2008, Hartford, CT

Sponsor: Sylvie Ratelle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center of New England,

<http://www.state.ma.us/dph/cdc/stdtcmαι/stdtcmαι.htm>

Contact: Janine Dyer, [Janine.Dyer@state.ma.us](mailto:Janine.Dyer@state.ma.us), or 617-983-6964

Three Day STD Clinical Intensive course

November 3-5, 2008, Boston, MA

Sponsor: Sylvie Ratelle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center of New England,

<http://www.state.ma.us/dph/cdc/stdtcmαι/stdtcmαι.htm>

Contact: Janine Dyer, [Janine.Dyer@state.ma.us](mailto:Janine.Dyer@state.ma.us), or 617-983-6964

### STD/HIV Clinical Update Courses

STD Part-Time Intensive

October 14-16, 2008, Cincinnati, OH

Sponsor: Cincinnati PTC, [www.stdptc.uc.edu](http://www.stdptc.uc.edu), and the Cincinnati Health Department

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STD Update with Optional Clinical Practicum

October 22-24, 2008, Eugene, OR

Sponsor: Seattle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center, [www.SeattleSTDHIVPTC.org](http://www.SeattleSTDHIVPTC.org),

Oregon Health Division, Multnomah County Health Department

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### Clinical Exam Skills and Laboratory Skills Courses

Essential STD Exams Skills

September 22-23, 2008, Hillsboro, OR

Sponsor: Seattle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center, [www.SeattleSTDHIVPTC.org](http://www.SeattleSTDHIVPTC.org),

Oregon Health Division, Washington County Health Department

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Essential STD Exams Skills

November 3-4, 2008, Seattle WA

Sponsor: Seattle STD/HIV Prevention Training Center, [www.SeattleSTDHIVPTC.org](http://www.SeattleSTDHIVPTC.org),

Public Health – Seattle & King County Health Department

Contact: Ronnie Staats 206-685-9848, [rstaats@u.washington.edu](mailto:rstaats@u.washington.edu)

### **Essentials of Examination Skills**

November 5-6, 2008, Cincinnati, OH

Sponsor: Cincinnati PTC, [www.stdptc.uc.edu](http://www.stdptc.uc.edu), and the Cincinnati Health Department

Contact: Barbara Forney, [forneyba@ucmail.uc.edu](mailto:forneyba@ucmail.uc.edu) or 513-558-3197

### Other Clinical Courses

### HIV Level 1 Course

October 1-3, 2008, Baltimore, MD

Sponsors: Maryland State AIDS Administration, PA AIDS ETC –University of Maryland LPS and Region III STD/HIV PTC

Contact: Jeanne Hoover, [Jeanne.hoover@baltimorecity.gov](mailto:Jeanne.hoover@baltimorecity.gov) or 410-545-1547

### Self-Study Clinical Continuing Education Offerings (free CE credit available)

Web Based STD Update with FREE CME (1 hour, category 1, CME)

Available at <http://www.cecentral.com/STDupdate>

STD Clinical Intensive Continuing Education Module

This offering features clinical illustrations and video segments on topics such as syphilis, gonorrhea, viral hepatitis, syndromic approach to STDs, and more.

Available at <http://www.bu.edu/cme/std/>

Chlamydia Case-Based Training

This course provides screening, diagnosis, and treatment information for chlamydial infections in women in case-based, interactive format.

Available at [http://www.stdhivtraining.net/educ/training\\_module/index.html](http://www.stdhivtraining.net/educ/training_module/index.html)

NNPTC STD Case Series

This web-based case series is designed for practicing clinicians who diagnose, treat and manage patients with, or at risk for, STDs. The series includes case presentations of common STD-related syndromes with a guided, interactive process to evaluate each case, arrive at a diagnosis and provide recommended treatment.

Available at <http://www.stdhivtraining.net/nnptc/start.cfm>

CDC Self-Study STD Modules for Clinicians

This site offers seven web-based educational modules, each based on a specific STD topic. Each module is considered to be an individual course. The target audience is clinicians in primary care settings who desire a basic introduction to STD diagnosis and management.

Available at <http://www2a.cdc.gov/stdtraining/self-study/default.asp>

### Other Clinical Resources

Web-based STD/HIV Update

CE Central <http://www.cecentral.com/STDupdate>

Sponsor: AL/NC STD/HIV PTC [www.stdptc.org](http://www.stdptc.org)

Contact: Patricia Jennings, [pjennings@uab.edu](mailto:pjennings@uab.edu), 205-934-4432

10 hours of STD/HIV lectures are available online with free CME provided after successful completion of the post-test following each topic. Topics include Chlamydia, Genital Dermatology, HSV, HIV 101, Male/Female STD Examination, Syphilis, ABCs of Viral Hepatitis, HPV Vaccination Prevention and Vaginitis. Lecture series is intended

for healthcare professionals who diagnose and treat sexually transmitted diseases. 10  
AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)<sup>TM</sup>

#### Darkfield on Demand

When you are ready, we are ready! Schedule a date for your convenience to receive hands-on training in Darkfield Microscopy for Syphilis.

Limited to 2 participants per date

Length: 1 day

7 category 1 CME available, Cincinnati, OH, Scholarships available

Contact: Janice Davis, [janice.davis2@cincinnati-oh.gov](mailto:janice.davis2@cincinnati-oh.gov) or 513-357-7325

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