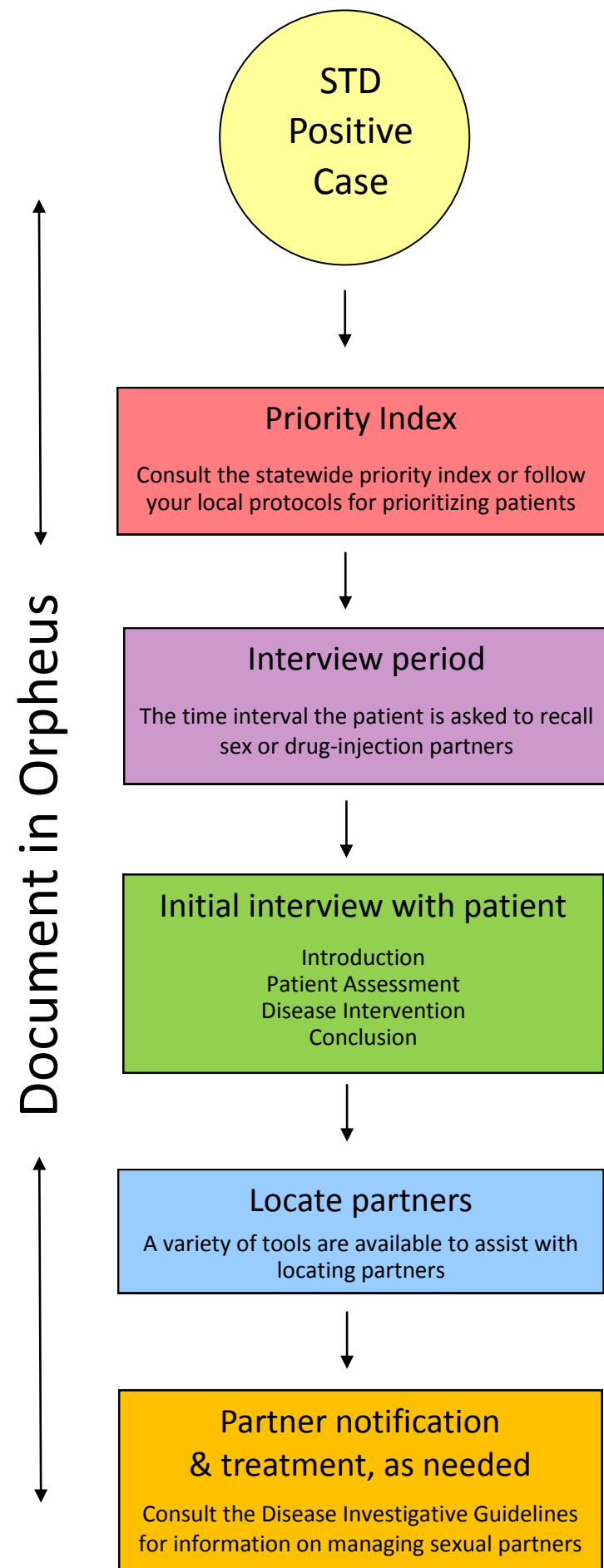


Partner Services Quick Guide



Questions? Contact your assigned DIS or the Oregon STD Program

Priority Index

The Oregon STD program priority index for partner services is:

- Pregnant and untreated (all infections)
- HIV
- Syphilis
- Gonorrhea
- Chlamydia (untreated, unable to locate by primary care provider)

Priority should be given to persons co-infected with HIV and one or more STDs, persons with recurrent STDs, and persons with clinical signs or symptoms suggestive of infection.

Priority indexes may vary depending on local priorities or procedures.

Interview periods

Chlamydia & Gonorrhea
Symptomatic—60 days before onset of symptoms through date of treatment
Asymptomatic— 60 days before date of specimen collection (through date of treatment if patient was not treated at time specimen was collected)

Syphilis
Primary—90 days prior to date of onset of primary lesion through the date of treatment
Secondary—6.5 months prior to the date of onset of secondary symptoms through the date of treatment
Early latent—1 year prior to the start of treatment
** If the onset of primary or secondary symptoms is unknown or questionable, the maximum symptom duration (5 weeks for primary, 6 weeks for secondary) should be used

HIV/AIDS
1 to 2 years before date of first diagnosis through date of interview. Period may be shortened if evidence of recent infection or if verified previous negative test results are available

Current or former spouses: During 10 years before diagnosis.

Initial Interview Format

1. Introduction State purpose/role Assure confidentiality	3. Disease Intervention Elicit partner information Develop risk reduction interventions
2. Patient Assessment Resolve patient concerns Obtain social history Obtain medical history Ensure disease comprehension	4. Conclusion Re-state commitments Prepare for possibility of re-interview Wrap-up and summarize

Locating Partners

Record Searches & Disease Investigation Tools

Telephone book – White pages and Yellow pages
Google search -- On occasion pertinent client information can be found via google search.
Cross Search Reverse Phone Directory -- While this costs money, it confirms address, if listed, provides name of person living at the address, and phone number.
411 – Also can be used for phone number reversal to get locating on a client.
Facebook -- Contains a wealth of information on client and client's social circle.
Vine Link – A free online service for locating inmates in County, or State correctional facilities. Also provides locating information on persons currently on probation or on parole.
Department Motor Vehicles (DMV) – must subscribe for DMV information services. Contact the OHA STD Program for further assistance if needed.
Accurint—A powerful tool from Lexis Nexis with the ability to pull detailed personal information. Contact your DIS or the State STD program for assistance.

Out of State Cases/Contacts

Contact the OHA STD Program to transfer a case or contact to another state or to have an out of state record search performed.

Internet Partner Services

In some instances, infected patients may have met their sex or drug use partners via the internet. Oftentimes, the only contact information they may have for their partners is an online screen name or "handle" or their preferred or only method of contact is via a site like Facebook.

The OHA STD Program is able to assist with providing internet partner services or assisting your health department in building capacity to do your own. Contact your DIS or the State STD program for assistance.

Contact your DIS

DIS technical assistance encompasses advice, training, problem solving and consultation in applying standards, protocols, investigative and/or treatment guidelines to STD case work and partner services follow-up. Direct assistance includes onsite provision of shadowing and demonstration opportunities as a learning tool for STD case work and/or partner services follow-up, as well as field assistance which may be requested after one or more of the following criteria has been met:

- Three documented attempts have been made to gather further information from provider related to screening and/or treatment.
- Three documented attempts have been made to locate client.
- Case is unusual, challenging, or potentially risky and collaborative work on the case is required. This also includes instances where there may be a suspected outbreak.

Please note that direct assistance does not include routine day-to-day staffing (e.g. DIS being asked to work cases directly for a county).

The DIS for my county is:

Phone number:

Email:

Useful Information & Notes

Contact your Oregon STD Program

Phone: 971-673-0153
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