

# Oregon HIV and STD Program Prevention Briefs

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## Communications Survey

How do you prefer to receive communications from HIV/STD Prevention and Surveillance at OHA? [Please complete this brief survey by Wednesday, May 31, 2023 help us plan and better meet your needs!](#) We appreciate your feedback.

## Planning for Pride

Is your organization tabling at Pride or other summer events? Would you like educational materials or freebies to hand out? Our program can offer our HIV-FAQ brochure (available in 11 languages: English, Spanish, Russian, Vietnamese, Chinese, Samoan, Marshallese, Tongan, Chuukese, Dari, Pashto), condoms in End HIV Oregon-branded educational paper trifold (English or Spanish) and buttons promoting End HIV Oregon (English or Spanish). We also recently received a donation of fidget toys, art supplies, and other fun goodies that you can hand out while tabling. If you're interested in getting some of these, please email [prevention.info@odhsoha.oregon.gov](mailto:prevention.info@odhsoha.oregon.gov) by Wednesday, May 31 with which items you're interested in.



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## Reports of Trends Among Adolescents and Youth

- [Youth Risk Behavior Survey Trends in the Prevalence of Sexual Behaviors and HIV Testing \(1991-2019\)](#). *This data does not show impacts of the pandemic.*
- [YRBS Results- US and Portland Youth Compared](#) (2019)
- The [Adolescent Behaviors and Experiences Study](#) (ABES) was the first nationally representative and extensive online survey completed by US high school students (early-mid 2021) assessing the effects of the pandemic on their health and wellbeing. Results showed significant negative impacts on mental health, substance use, abuse and racism. Not a surprise, youth who experienced inequities before the pandemic experienced more, or greater, inequities during the COVID-19 pandemic. Our early childhood experiences have a profound and lasting impact on our sense of connection, resilience, access to resources, and ultimately our health.



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## HIV Prevention Updates

- Our CDC HIV Prevention Project Officer recently conducted a site visit in Oregon. He met with key OHA HIV/STD staff and requested visits to Washington, Marion, and Multnomah Counties. We wish we could have visited more counties, but our project officer had a tight schedule that limited travel. We'd like to share a huge THANK YOU to staff who took time to meet with us and give feedback about HIV prevention services in Oregon. We haven't yet received any formal feedback from the site visit, but we had a lot of helpful conversations and think it went well.
- We are in the first 6 months of Phase 2 of EISO (HIV Early Intervention Services and Outreach, funded through 2027). OHA and Washington County presented on our EISO program for HRSA's Integrating HIV Innovative Practices webinar in January. [Watch the video here](#). Oregon's EISO profile has been viewed over 400 times since it was added to the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Program Best Practices Compilation page on TargetHIV.org. Keep up the good work, EISO staff!

## STD Prevention Updates

- In February, gonorrhea auto case creation launched statewide in Orpheus. Have questions about this? Let us know!
- We recently published brochures that explain the role of DIS and other public health staff that follow up on reportable infections. There are brochures for three different audiences: [the public](#), [clinicians](#), and [DIS/case investigators themselves](#). We are currently getting these brochures translated into Spanish, and you'll soon be able to find all versions [on our website](#).
- Our [STD Dashboards](#) were recently updated to include 2021 data. We have dashboards showing the incidence rates of chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis in all Oregon counties, demographic information, treatment and the some of the factors affecting each disease. We've also updated our [State of STDs in Oregon infographic](#) with data from the recently released [CDC 2021 STD Surveillance Report](#).

## OHA Email Address Changes

OHA staff emails have recently changed, having new domain names @oha.oregon.gov or @odhsoha.oregon.gov. Our old email address (@state.or.us or @dhsoha.state.or.us) still work, but if you are expecting an email from OHA staff that hasn't come, try checking your spam or junk folder!

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