

Updated Fact Sheet on Minor Consent for STI Testing and Treatment

OHA's STD Prevention Program has updated their fact sheet on minor consent for STI testing and treatment to reflect changes to Oregon statute as part of [HB 2002](#) (from 2023). Information on minor consent and confidentiality in Oregon, more broadly, can be found in the 'Understanding Minor Consent and Confidentiality in Health Care in Oregon' document, available on this [web page](#).

See the [Fact Sheet](#)⁷

TakeMeHome Eligibility Has Expanded!

Free mail-order HIV/STI/HCV testing is now available for Oregonians 14 years of age and older

The Oregon Health Authority contracts with NASTAD to operate Oregon's home delivery HIV/STI testing program called TakeMeHome. The program is designed to focus on persons at-risk for HIV/STIs who have barriers to testing in clinical settings and/or have not been tested for HIV/STIs within the previous 12 months. The program offers no-cost mail-order rapid HIV self-tests, rapid syphilis self-tests, and self-collected STI and HCV tests. STI and HCV tests are processed by Molecular Testing Laboratories and results are made available to the patient in an online portal.

Learn more at <https://takemehome.org/>.

Health Equity

Policy to Practice: Championing Gender-Affirming Care *(Tuesday, June 24, 8:00 – 10:00)*

As gender-affirming care legislation continues to evolve, health care providers and advocates must stay informed on how to navigate these challenges while supporting transgender and non-binary youth 18 and under. This interactive training will cover recent legislation, strategies for addressing misinformation, and best practices for creating safer, affirming spaces in clinical and community settings for youth. Attendees will participate in breakout sessions with role-playing exercises to practice conversations with patients, families, and colleagues. Participants will leave the training with a greater understanding of best practices for advocacy, patient support, and fostering inclusive care.

[Register here](#)[↗]

Trainings

Webinar: Person-Centered Counseling with Management of Complex Contraception Cases *(Tuesday, April 22 12:00-1:00)*

Join the CTC-SRH and Patty Cason, MS, FNP-BC, for a webinar that discusses how to deliver compassionate, client-focused counseling while addressing the unique challenges of complex contraceptive decision-making. This session is ideal for sexual and reproductive health providers committed to supporting individuals in their contraceptive choices with a focus on respect, autonomy, and evidence-based guidance.

[Register here](#)[↗]

Webinar Series: Expanding PrEP Services in Sexual and Reproductive Healthcare *(May 13 – June 24)*

This four-part PrEP webinar series is designed for Title X (RHCare) clinical services providers and professionals in the sexual and reproductive health field. This series provides practical strategies for integrating pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) into clinical services.

[Learn more and register here](#)⁷

Resources

April is STI Awareness Month

In honor of STI Awareness Month, the Clinical Training Center for Sexual and Reproductive Health (CTC-SRH) invites you to explore the CTC-SRH website to enhance your STI knowledge and skills with our comprehensive toolkits, courses, and webinars:

- [Syphilis and Congenital Syphilis](#): Access syphilis screening toolkits, webinars, an e-learning course, and additional resources.
- [STI Basics for Title X Providers](#): View this recorded webinar for foundational STI training and resources for Title X (RHCare) providers.

Oregon Vital Hepatitis Elimination Plan Released

We are excited to share the [2024 – 2030 Oregon Viral Hepatitis Elimination Plan](#), and our revamped [viral hepatitis webpage](#) with you. The plan was developed by Oregon Health Authority (OHA) staff with many community-based, advocacy, health care and agency partners.

There are Four Pillars, or goals, within this plan:

1. Prevent new infections;
2. Improve health outcomes;
3. Eliminate health disparities and inequities; and
4. Improve surveillance and data use.

As partners in health across Oregon there are many ways in which your expertise can assist in micro-elimination of HCV in your community. Specifically, consider your role in:

- Implementation of CDC viral hepatitis [B](#) and [C](#) testing guidelines;
- Dissemination of the [American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology viral hepatitis information for pregnant people](#);
- Dissemination of information on the [Oregon Hepatitis B Prevention Program services](#); and
- Implementation of [hepatitis A and B adult vaccine guidelines](#).

Remember, you don't have to do this work alone! We are very interested to partner with you and others in your community to prevent, identify, and treat or cure viral hepatitis. Together we can support all people living with, or at risk for, viral hepatitis to get the care and treatment they deserve.

Please reach out to the viral hepatitis team for more information at:
oregon.viralhepatitis@odhsoha.oregon.gov.

Glossary

The following are acronyms commonly found in the newsletter:

CTC-SRH: [Clinical Training Center for Sexual + Reproductive Health](#)

CVR: Clinic Visit Record

LARC: Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive

NFPRHA: [National Family Planning and Reproductive Health Association](#)

OHP: [Oregon Health Plan](#)

QFP: Quality Family Planning Guide

RHAF: Reproductive Health Access Fund

RHNTC: [Reproductive Health National Training Center](#)