The Facts

College Students & Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)

1 in 2 sexually active young people will get an STI by the age of 25.

About 1 in 4 of all new HIV infections are among youth ages 13 to 24 years.

4 in 5 of the new HIV infections occur in males.

Nearly 600,000 gonorrhea infections occur each year for those ages 15-24.

Nearly 7 million new Human Papillomavirus (HPV) infections occur each year for those ages 15-24.

HPV is the most common STI. HPV can cause cervical and others cancers or genital warts.

Sources:
  www.cdc.gov
  www.itsyoursexlife.com
  www.guttmacher.org/pubs/journals/3600604.html

Protect Yourself. Protect Your Partner. Get Tested.

Getting Tested at the Lab
Confidential. Safe. Smart.
Thomson Student Health Center, second floor
Monday - Friday 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.
Sunday 2 p.m. - 8 p.m.

More Information:
www.sa.sc.edu/shs/lab

Test Results
Available online through MyHealthSpace
www.sc.edu/myhealthspace

Results are not provided over the phone under any circumstances.

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Health Screening Recommendations

Routine screening is recommended for anyone who is sexually active. Screening is also recommended before becoming sexually active with a new partner and if concerned about potential exposure or symptoms.

All adults and adolescents: HIV testing is recommended.

Sexually active women age 25 and under: Recommended annual chlamydia screening.

At-risk* sexually active women: Recommended annual gonorrhea screening.

All pregnant women: Recommended syphilis, HIV, chlamydia, and hepatitis B screening (and gonorrhea screening for those at-risk*) at first prenatal visit.

All HIV-infected women: Screening for trichomoniasis at least annually.

All sexually active gay men, bisexual men, and other men who have sex with men (MSM): Screening at least once a year for syphilis, chlamydia, gonorrhea, and HIV.

At-risk* MSM: Recommended frequent STI screening (e.g. at 3 to 6 month intervals). Illicit drug using MSM should be screened more frequently.

“At risk” factors may include, but are not limited to, persons with new or multiple sex partners, persons who live in communities with a high burden of disease, and/or illicit drug users.

Sources:
www.cdc.gov
www.swarthmore.edu/health-center/screening-sexually-transmitted-infections

FREE services and resources:
- Male condoms
- Female condoms
- Dental dams
- Water-based lubricant