

STD DESCRIPTION & RISK High Risk in RED Lower Risk in Black	STD SYMPTOM	COMPLICATIONS and TREATMENT
<p>AIDS Information</p> <p>Caused by the HIV virus that invades the immune system, resulting in "well carriers" to severe and fatal disorders.</p> <p>Spread: Contact with infected blood, semen, vaginal fluids mainly by unprotected sex and needle sharing and maternal transfer.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unprotected anal sex - unprotected vaginal sex - unprotected oral sex - injection of tainted blood - injection by needle-sharing - sharing objects and infected fluids - maternal blood to fetus 	<p>HIV Stage (1* - 14 years)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Flu-like symptoms may occur early or late - Most look and feel well for years - Infectious carrier - Skin & lung infections common in later years - HIV = antibody test indicates infection - 25% of infants born to HIV mothers will be infected 	<p>Complications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - HIV progresses to AIDS Stage (2 - 5 years) - Immune system destroyed - AIDS defining illnesses fatal (pneumonias, cancer, dementia, wasting, cancer of the cervix) <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes - early treatment is best <p>Cure - No</p>
<p>CHLAMYDIA Information</p> <p>Caused by a bacteria that commonly infects the genitals, anus and throat. The <u>most common</u> STD.</p> <p>Spread: Through contact with infected semen and vaginal fluids</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unprotected vaginal sex - unprotected anal sex - unprotected oral sex 	<p>Most women show NO symptoms. Some may have slight vaginal discharge, pain on urination, pain during sex; frequent urination.</p> <p>Most men show symptoms. Discharge or itchy feeling in the penis; mild pain on urination; infection of anus or throat.</p>	<p>Complications:</p> <p>Women - if untreated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infertility; infected cervix; pelvic pain; pelvic inflammatory disease; ectopic pregnancy, arthritis. - Infants can get pneumonia or become blind. <p>Men - if untreated:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Infertility; arthritis; eye infections; urinary infections. <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes (antibiotics) <p>Cure - Yes</p>

<p>GENITAL HERPES (HSV)</p> <p>Caused by a herpes simplex virus with ulcerating blisters occurring on the genitals or anal area. May be spread to the mouth.</p> <p>Spread:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unprotected vaginal sex - unprotected anal sex - unprotected oral sex - direct touch skin-to-skin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Many people feel fatigued, and have a fever. - Painful blisters itch, redden the skin, form into groups and ulcerate. - Ulcers crust and may heal with scarring 	<p>Complications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The virus hides in nerve endings and reoccurs <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes (Acyclovir - no cure) <p>Cure - No</p>
<p>GENITAL LICE (CRABS)</p> <p>Caused by the genital "crab louse", which transfers from the genital hair of one partner to the other, and lays eggs at the base of the hair, which hatch in 5 - 10 days.</p> <p>Spread:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - vaginal sex, protected or not - direct touch skin-to-skin 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intense itching in the genital hair area. - Produce small red bumps 	<p>Complications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Social embarrassment (if infected, highly discussed) <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes (special soap - Quell) <p>Cure - Yes</p>
<p>GENITAL WARTS (HPV)</p> <p>Caused by Human Papillomavirus and occurs often on or in the genitals and anus. Genital warts are associated with cancer.</p> <p>Spread:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unprotected vaginal sex - unprotected anal sex - unprotected oral sex 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Soft, moist, pink growths on the penis, around anus, and on or in the female genitals - May become stalked like a cauliflower 	<p>Complications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Invasive cervical cancer and bladder cancers - Infected women must have yearly PAP tests - May be passed to infants <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes (cauterization, surgery, medical) <p>Cure - No</p>
<p>GONORRHEA Info</p> <p>Caused by bacteria that commonly infects the genitals, anus and throat.</p> <p>Spread:</p> <p>by infected semen and vaginal fluids</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Most women show NO symptoms or some vaginal discharge, pain on urination, frequency <p>Men usually notice thick</p>	<p>Complications:</p> <p>Women:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - sterility; pelvic inflammatory disease <p>Men:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - sterility, swollen testes

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - unprotected vaginal sex - unprotected anal sex - unprotected oral sex 	<p>yellow-green discharge from the penis, pain on urinating, pain in penis.</p> <p>Men and women if infected in the rectum have pain, bleeding and discharge. Sore throats if the throat is infected.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - urinary infections <p>Men and women may have heart, brain and liver infections, arthritis</p> <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes (antibiotics) <p>Cure - Yes, although some strains are resistant</p>
<p>HEPATITIS B Information</p> <p>Caused by a virus that invades the liver. 100 times more infectious than HIV. This STD can be prevented by vaccine.</p> <p>Spread:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - injected blood - injected drugs (sharing needles) - unprotected vaginal sex - unprotected anal sex - unprotected oral sex - maternal blood to newborns - sharing items with blood (i.e. razors, toothbrushes, instruments) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Sudden flu-like illness with fatigue, nausea, vomiting, lack of appetite, fever - Dark urine and jaundice <p>10% of carriers can spread the disease</p>	<p>Complications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Liver disease and failure - Cancer of the liver - Death <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes (rest, personal hygiene) <p>Cure</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - No (Preventative vaccine available)
<p>SCABIES Information</p> <p>Caused by female mites which burrow under the skin to lay their eggs, causing skin irritation.</p> <p>Spread:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - close touch .. skin to skin - shared personal items 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Intense itching at night - Small red bumps and rashes develop 4 - 6 weeks after contact anywhere on the skin except head and neck 	<p>Complications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Aesthetic <p>Treatment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Yes (special lotions or sprays for all infected partners and roommates at the same time -personal clothing and linens should be washed, dry-cleaned or sealed in a plastic bag and placed in a freezer for 3 days). <p>Cure - Yes</p>
<p>SYPHILIS Information</p>	<p>Early stages shows painless sores, swollen glands and skin</p>	<p>Complications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Skin, bone, heart disease

<p>Caused by the Treponema pallidum bacterium which develop a staged disease over years. Highly contagious, but cannot survive outside the body. Affects the skin and any organ.</p> <p>Spread: By contact with infected blood, semen, vaginal fluids or pus.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - mother to unborn - direct touch - close body contact - unprotected anal sex - unprotected vaginal sex - unprotected oral sex - kissing - injecting blood (needle sharing) 	<p>rashes. Sores may be inside the vagina or anus and go unnoticed.</p> <p>Stage 2. Rashes, new sores, flu-like symptoms, swollen glands, brain infection</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Brain disease - Dementia - Blindness if left untreated <p>Treatment: - Yes (antibiotics)</p> <p>Sex contacts must be examined</p> <p>Cure - Yes (with treatment)</p>
<p>TRICHOMONIASIS Info</p> <p>Caused by the single-celled protozoan parasite Trichomonas vaginalis. Vagina most common site in women, and the urethra in men.</p> <p>Spread: - unprotected vaginal sex</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Itching, burning - Irritation inside the penis - Vaginal or vulval redness - Unusual vaginal discharge - Frequent and/or painful urination - Discomfort during intercourse - Abdominal pain. 	<p>Complications: - Premature delivery - Increased HIV susceptibility</p> <p>Treatment: - Yes (antibiotics)</p> <p>Cure - Yes (with treatment)</p>
<p>Blue Waffle Info</p> <p>Caused by bacteria similar to vaginitis. Can occur in men and women. It is a new disease and research is still being done.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Inside or even outside of the vagina gets blue tint - Unusual discharge _ Itching 	<p>Complications not yet known</p> <p>Treatment/Cure: Yes, Antibiotics</p>

