National and State Perspectives of Sexual Health

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Objectives

By the end of this presentation, you will be able to:

• Recall the current STI trends seen at the national or state level.
• Recognize the target populations disproportionately affected by STIs.
• Recall current STI surveillance and prevention initiatives.
National STI Statistics

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What are the reportable STIs in Illinois?

- Chlamydia
- Gonorrhea
- Syphilis
- HIV
- Chancroid (rare)
Steep and Sustained Incr in STIs

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• CT most common condition reported to CDC. >1.7 million cases diagnosed in 2017 (4th year in a row; ↑6% from 2016), with 45% among 15-to-24-year-old females.

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- GC diagnoses ↑67% overall (since 2013) and nearly doubled among men. Incr in diagnoses among women (speed of incr) has been alarming and going for 3rd year in a row.

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- Total Cases: 1.8 Million in 2013 to 2.3 Million in 2017 (31% Increase)
- Gonorrhea: 333,004 in 2013 to 555,608 in 2017 (67% Increase)
- Syphilis: 17,375 in 2013 to 30,644 in 2017 (76% Increase)
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Provider Reporting

Reporting of STIs in Illinois are driven by primarily the following entities: Private physician offices, hospitals, and community health centers

• Chlamydia:
  – PMD 36%, Hospital 22%, CHC 20%

• Gonorrhea:
  – Hospital 33%, PMD 26%, CHC 22%

• Syphilis:
  – PMD 47%, Hospital 14%, STD clinic 14%
Threat to Multiple Populations

Chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis are curable with antibiotics, yet most cases go undiagnosed and untreated. Leads to severe adverse health effects (i.e., infertility, ectopic pregnancy, stillbirths in infants, incr HIV risk).

STI increases may be due to factors such as
- socioeconomic factors (poverty, stigma, discrimination)
- drug use
- technology (anonymous/hook up apps)
- improved sensitive/specific STI laboratory tests
- active screening of asymptomatic clients at risk
- true increase in disease incidence in communities
ILLINOIS STI TRENDS
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Cook County:
- Ranked 2nd among all U.S. counties for total cases of chlamydia

2017 Illinois Chlamydia Data

State of Illinois:
- 75,518 total cases
- 5% increase from 2016
- 28% increase from 2008

Chicago:
- 30,292 total cases
- Reported 40% of all IL cases
Illinois STD Statistics: Gonorrhea

2017 CDC National Gonorrhea Data

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Cook County:
• Ranked 2nd among all U.S. counties for total cases of gonorrhea

2017 Illinois Gonorrhea Data

State of Illinois:
• 23,859 total cases
• 13% increase from 2016
• 15% increase from 2008

Chicago:
• 11,730 total cases
• Reported 49% of all IL cases

By Sex

- 20.4%
- 30.8%
- 21.2%
- 11.0%
- 15.9%
- 0.8%

By Age Group

- <15
- 15-19
- 20-24
- 25-29
- 30-34
- 35+

- 19.2%
- 55.6%
- 8.5%
- 1.7%
- 14.0%
- 0.2%

By Race/Hispanic Ethnicity

- White - NH
- Black - NH
- Hispanic
- Asian/PI - NH
- AI/AN - NH
- Other - NH
- Unknown
Illinois STD Statistics: P&S Syphilis

2017 CDC National Primary & Secondary Syphilis Data

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2017 Illinois Primary & Secondary Syphilis Data

State of Illinois:
- 1,225 total cases
- -3% decrease from 2016
- 121% increase from 2008

Chicago
- 788 total cases
- Reported 64% of all IL cases.

By Sex

By Age Group

By Race/Ethnicity
Change in Population: Change in Perspectives

Illinois Reported Primary and Secondary Syphilis Cases by Sex, 1994-2017

Case Count

Year


Female | Male

0 100 200 300 400 500 600 700 800 900 1000 1100 1200

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STD-HIV Co-infection

- Ulcerative infections, like syphilis, provides higher risk for acquiring HIV infections.
Increase in Syphilis Among Women

• In addition to increasing rates of men, rates among females have also steadily increased. Giving rise to congenital syphilis cases among newborns.
  – In 2017, there were 918 cases of congenital syphilis reported in the U.S.
    • Almost $2x$ of 2013 reported cases.
    • The most cases reported in one year since 1997.
    • 37 states reported at least one case.
Increase in Syphilis Among Women

- In Illinois, steadily increase of reported cases of women with syphilis.
- Congenital syphilis cases continue to be steady.
CDC’s Latest Messages

In addition to new data released in previous slides, CDC’s also relayed messages:

• Sharp increase of syphilis among newborns underscore need for improved testing and treatment for pregnant women.

• Getting tested once during pregnancy is likely not enough to avoid the preventable consequences of congenital syphilis.

• CDC is committed to protecting newborns – and mothers – from syphilis.
Sexual Health Initiatives

• Active screening of adolescents, pregnant women, and MSM at sites of exposures.
  – Chlamydia screening initiatives
    • Actively screen sexually active females 15-24 at least once a year
  – PrEP initiatives
    • 1 pill a day (Truvada: emtricitabine & tenofovir) can lower risk for HIV infection via sex by 90% among HIV- clients (70% protection for HIV infection through injection drugs).
    • Those with high risk on PrEP should be routinely tested for chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis in addition to HIV testing.
    • Testing should include all sites of exposure (genital, rectal, oral)
Sexual Health Initiatives

• Monitoring of GC antibiotic resistance
  – Gonorrhea Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP)
    • First 25 men who attend STD clinics with signs/symptoms
    • 33 sentinel sites nationwide
    • Data/science lead to changes in Rx regimen in 2010 and 2015.
  – Adequacy of gonorrhea treatment of reported cases.
Sexual Health Initiatives

• Importance of counseling and partner services (i.e., elicit partners) to stop spread and re-infection.

• Importance of partner therapy to prevent re-infection
  – Expedited Partner Therapy (EPT)
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