**CDC PrEP/PEP materials**

**ASK YOUR DOCTOR (#4 in CDC grid)**

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**SHARE THE NIGHT—NOT HIV**

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**Now’s The Time To Find Out About PrEP**

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**Includes useful tips on what to ask your doctor**

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**PrEP: Prevent HIV before exposure**

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**PrEP** **= Pre-exposure Prophylaxis\***

\*Prophylaxis = Prevention

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* If you are HIV negative and concerned about exposure to HIV, **PrEP** may be right for you.
* **PrEP** is a daily pill that can protect you from HIV as long as you take it every day.
* Condoms provide additional protection against HIV, as well as most sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and unintended pregnancy.

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**PrEP is for people at risk of HIV**

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PrEP can protect people who are HIV-negative and are:

 ––At risk of being exposed to HIV through sex or injecting drugs

 ––Ready to take a daily pill

* PrEP has been shown to work for gay and bisexual men, heterosexual women and men, and people who inject drugs, and is also likely to benefit transgender women.
* PrEP can help protect anyone whose partner has HIV.

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**With PrEP, you protect yourself from HIV every day**

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**More information to know about PrEP**

Because PrEP is for protecting people who are HIV-negative, you’ll have to take an HIV test before starting PrEP––and you may have to take other tests to make sure it’s safe for you to use PrEP. And while you are on PrEP, you will need to see a health care provider for regular checkups and HIV tests.

**If you regularly worry about HIV, ask your doctor if PrEP may be right for you.**

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**Talk to your doctor about PrEP**

Many insurance plans (including Medicaid) cover PrEP. Assistance may be available if you are uninsured.

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**During Your Visit:**

* **Be clear.** Tell your doctor that you are interested in PrEP right away.
* **Don’t worry about being judged**. Give your doctor all the details about your life that could be important to your health. If your sex life is a hard topic to talk about, say that to your doctor. It will help to start the conversation.
* **Tell your doctor about** your routine, especially things that might make it easy or hard to take a daily medication.
* **Include your health history.** That includes any past illnesses or concerns you have, as well as a list of your current medications (including supplements, herbs, etc.).
* **Ask questions.** You want to be sure that you understand what your doctor is telling you.
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**After Your Visit**

* **Review** your notes or any information provided by your doctor.
* **Call your doctor** if you have more questions. Ask to speak to a nurse if your doctor
is unavailable.
* **Schedule** tests or follow-up appointments your doctor requested.
* **Get your results** if you had tests done at your appointment.
* **If you feel comfortable,** you may want to discuss this choice with your partners,
family, or friends.

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**When I found out my partner was positive, PEP kept me HIV negative**

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**PEP: Prevent HIV after exposure**

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**PEP = Post-exposure Prophylaxis\***

\*Prophylaxis = Prevention

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If you think you may have been exposed to HIV, **PEP** may be right for you:

• PEP is emergency medicine you take right after you are exposed to HIV.

• If you are HIV-negative and exposed to HIV, PEP can stop HIV before it infects your body.

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***Emergency* PEP to prevent HIV**

• With **PEP**, you begin taking pills to stop HIV infection **right after** you are exposed to HIV.

• PEP can stop HIV if started within 72 hours of exposure. You continue taking PEP for 28 days.

• PEP can protect you in an emergency––for example, if you had anal or vaginal sex without a condom with someone who has, or might have, HIV. PEP can also stop HIV if you were exposed while injecting drugs.

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**PEP works best if started right away**

• If you think you were exposed to HIV, *immediately* go to a clinic or emergency room and **ask for PEP.**

• You should begin taking PEP *as soon as possible to prevent the possibility of HIV infection.*

• PEP works best if you take it every day for the full 28-day course. Do not stop taking PEP without talking to your doctor.

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**With PEP, you protect yourself from HIV after you’ve been exposed**

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**More about PEP**

Because PEP protects people who are HIV-negative, you’ll have to take an HIV test before starting PEP. PEP can cause mild side effects, especially at the beginning of treatment. When you finish PEP, you will take another HIV test to make sure that PEP worked.

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