

**Network Epidemiology of Syphilis Transmission (NEST)**

**Attachment 4**

**Screener**

**ELIGIBILITY SCREENER (ES)**

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ES\_1. How old are you?

[Refused = 777, Don't know = 999]      \_ \_ \_ years

**So, you are [insert age] years old. Is that correct?**

No..... Loop back to ES\_1

Yes.....

If respondent is < 18 years old, go to to End\_1. Else go to ES\_2.

END\_1. **[SAY]** Thank you for answering these questions. Unfortunately, you have **not** been selected to participate in this study. Thank you again for your time.

ES\_2. During [insert current year], did you already participate in at least part of this study that we are conducting? It could have been here or at one of our other locations.

- Yes 1
- No 2

**[DO NOT READ THE OPTIONS BELOW ALOUD TO PARTICIPANT]**

- Refused to answer 77
- Don't know 99

ES\_3. What county do you currently live in or what is the zipcode of the neighborhood you currently live in?  
*[Optional: Point to a map of the study site to help prompt a response and confirm correct county].*

----- [text response max length = 250 characters]

ES\_4. What was your sex were you assigned at birth, on your original birth certificate? [**CHECK ONLY ONE**]

- Male 1
- Female 2

[**DO NOT READ THE OPTIONS BELOW ALOUD TO PARTICIPANT**]

- Refused to answer 77
- Don't know 99

ES\_5. How do you describe your gender identity? [**CHECK ONLY ONE**]

- Male 1
- Female 2
- Male-to-female transgender (MTF) 3
- Female-to-male transgender (FTM) 4
- Other gender identity 5

[**DO NOT READ THE OPTIONS BELOW ALOUD TO PARTICIPANT**]

- Refused to answer 77
- Don't know 99

[If sex assigned at birth ≠ Male (ES\_4 ≠ 1) or gender identity ≠ Male (ES\_5 ≠ 1) then skip to END\_2].

**SAY:** The next question is about having sex. Please remember your answers will be kept private. "Having sex" means anal sex (penis in the anus (butt) or oral sex (penis in the mouth)).

ES\_6. Have you had anal or oral sex with a man in the past 6 months?

- Yes 1
- No 2

[**DO NOT READ THE OPTIONS BELOW ALOUD TO PARTICIPANT**]

- Refused to answer 77
- Don't know 99

END\_2. If the participant is **NOT ELIGIBLE** (Do not disclose why the participant is not eligible):

[**SAY/DISPLAY**]: Thank you for answering these questions. Unfortunately, you have not been selected to participate in this study. Thank you again for your time.

**END INTERVIEW**

END\_3. If the participant is **ELIGIBLE** (Do not disclose why the participant is eligible):

**[SAY/DISPLAY]:** Congratulations! You have been selected to participate in this study. Let me tell you more about it. **PROCEED TO CONSENT**