

CHLAMYDIA SCREENING

"Don't Take a Chance – Take a Test!"

Chlamydia is the most common sexually transmitted infection in this country and it affects both males and females. One in ten people under the age of 25 who have ever had sex have Chlamydia and don't realise because most people with Chlamydia don't have any symptoms. It is easily treated with antibiotics but it can stop both men and women being able to have children in the future if it is not treated.

Our surgery is involved in a National Chlamydia Screening Programme, especially for patients in the 15-24 age group, though anyone can take a test whatever age. Anyone who has ever had sex without a condom (even if only once) may be at risk of having Chlamydia and if think you might have caught Chlamydia, you can come to the Surgery to have a test - you can see a doctor or nurse or just ask for a testing kit at Reception. Alternatively you can come along to the Young Person's Clinic or Clinic 6 (the Genito-Urinary Medicine Clinic - called GUM) based at the Oak Tree Centre.

It's a very simple test - a urine sample for men and a vaginal swab for women which they do themselves. There is complete confidentiality and you can choose how you want to get the result - including having it texted to your mobile phone

If you are concerned you can talk to one of our staff about having a test, or visit this website.

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