

Resources for Maryland STI and Family Planning During COVID Bulletin

July 30, 2020

Webinars

August 5-7:

HealthHIV: [Black Women's Health across the Lifespan](#)

Black adolescent and adult women in the U.S. are disproportionately affected by HIV, STIs, COVID-19, intimate partner violence, stigma, and poor maternal and child health outcomes. The impact of these inequities can accumulate across the lifespan, undermining their overall health outcomes. This three-part collaborative learning series will discuss pressing issues in the lives of Black adolescent and adult women as they age.

August 18:

CDC: [STD QCS User Guide and Tools](#)

In January, CDC published Recommendations for Providing Quality Sexually Transmitted Diseases Clinical Services (or STD QCS). The goal of the recommendations is to highlight the services healthcare settings can offer to provide optimal STD care for their patients. This webinar will cover the STD QCS Planning Toolkit created by the National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) which includes a user guide and assessment tools to help healthcare settings translate the recommendations into practical application.

International Antiviral Society-USA: [Management and Prevention of HIV Infection among Transgender Adults](#)

Transgender and gender diverse people have disparate rates of HIV infection compared with cisgender populations due to a combination of structural, individual, interpersonal, biologic, and network factors. This presentation will review recent epidemiologic data related to HIV in transgender populations and describe current and evolving strategies to improve HIV prevention and care, including the effects of gender-affirming care on ART and HIV outcomes.

Webinars (continued)

August 21:

NCSH: [Clinic+/COVID-19 Call](#)

On this call, Pamela Mathie of the HIV/STD Prevention and Care Branch at the Texas Department of Health and Human Services as well as Dr. Al Katz, Hawaii Department of Health will discuss issues experienced by sexual health and STD clinics.

Fact Sheets

NCSH & GLSEN: [How can LGBTQ+ Youth Navigate COVID-19?](#)

Self-Testing Resources

NCSH: New Clinic Technical Assistance Available

As part of the Clinic+ Initiative, this spring NCSH hosted the Testing Beyond the Clinic Webinar Series on non clinic-based self-collected testing. To build on this work, they are now proud to offer one-on-one technical assistance to sexual health clinics and state and local health departments on this topic. Do you have a specific question or request about non clinic-based self collected testing, implementation, or the lab component of it? Please reach out to Jennifer Mahn at jmahn@ncsddc.org or (248) 765-5522.

Resources & Guidance

CDC: [MMWR COVID-19 Podcast](#)

CDC: [COVID-19 and Rural Communities](#)