

Sexual Health Check Up (Am I free of infection?)



Easy Read Booklet

When should i have a regular check up



If you have had unprotected sex (had sex and did not use a condom).



OR

If you have a new partner.



Sometimes infections have no symptoms.

Where to get a check up



Talk to your doctor.



OR

Visit the Sexual Health Clinic.

You may not need to be examined.

They can test for chlamydia, gonorrhoea, syphilis, HIV and hepatitis.



Put the tip of the cotton swab stick about 2 cm (length of one finger joint) inside your vagina. Turn the swab around once.



Count to ten whilst leaving the cotton swab stick in the vagina.



Test for Chlamydia or Gonorrhoea

The nurse will tell you what to do.

Women can take a swab themselves.

If you need help ask the nurse.

Men can give a urine sample (provided they have not passed urine within the last hour).





The doctor or nurse will ask how you would like to be contacted about you results.



Tests for Syphilis, HIV and Hepatitis

The nurse or doctor can take a blood sample.





The nurse will contact you with results and make an appointment for you to have treatment and advice if needed.



To get free condoms go to The doctor (GP), local clinic or chemist.



Or call 0300 303 0251 for your nearest centre.