Iowa Department of Public Health

Bureau of HIV, STD, and Hepatitis

Who We Are

The Bureau of HIV, STD, and Hepatitis works to reduce the impact of these communicable diseases in Iowa and to eliminate the morbidity associated with these diseases. We monitor the burden of these diseases throughout the state and fund prevention and care services through a network of contracted local public health agencies, clinics, and community-based organizations.

What We Do

Our Services

Counseling, Testing, and Referral

- Offer a convenient opportunity for high-risk and disproportionately impacted populations to learn their HIV, STD, and Hepatitis statuses;
- Provide a means to receive counseling to help initiate behavior change to avoid infection or if already infected, to prevent transmission to others; and
- Give referrals to additional prevention programs, medical care, and other needed services.

Partner Services

- Assist persons newly diagnosed with HIV and other STDs in identifying their sex and needle-sharing partners;
- Confidently inform sex and needle-sharing partners of their possible exposure to HIV or other STDs, or assist infected persons in informing their partners directly;
- Provide partners with client-centered prevention counseling that assists and supports them in efforts to reduce the risk of HIV or other STDs and unintended pregnancy or, if infected, of transmitting HIV or other STDs; and
- Minimize or delay disease progression/transmission by identifying persons who may have been exposed to HIV or other STDs as early as possible in the course of infection and assisting them in obtaining appropriate preventative, medical, and other support services.

HIV Support Services

- Manage comprehensive case management system for persons living with HIV;
- Provide services, referrals, or funds for core medical services for persons living with HIV including ambulatory health, oral health, mental health, outpatient substance abuse, or medication adherence;
- Provide outreach services, psychosocial support, transportation, linguistic services, and other referrals as necessary;
- Assess for appropriate medical benefits home for all persons living with HIV; and
- Assist with enrollment in health insurance coverage and the AIDS Drug Assistance Program.

AIDS Drug Assistance Program

- Provide anti-retroviral medications for persons living with HIV in Iowa who meet income guidelines;
- Assist with health insurance costs, such as prescription deductibles, co-payments, and monthly premiums for persons living with HIV; and
- Provide medications to support optimum health outcomes, such as tobacco cessation aids and hepatitis C medications, for persons living with HIV.

Surveillance and Data Management

- Oversee data gathering such as demographic and behavioral indicators, prevalence monitoring, and electronic data transmissions for HIV and other reportable STDs;
- Generate epidemiological reports on HIV and other STDs for health professionals, legislators, media, and the public; and
- Conduct outbreak investigations when appropriate.

Program Evaluation

- Evaluate reporting, prevention, and care activities in community-based and governmental organizations, conduct annual evaluations of all HIV and STD prevention and care activities, and provide technical assistance as necessary.
Our Goals

**Human Immunodeficiency Virus**
- Increase the number of persons living with HIV who know their status and are in care;
- Decrease new HIV infections;
- Increase access to services for persons living with HIV;
- Increase the coordination and collaboration between various governmental and community-based programs that address the myriad needs of persons living with HIV;
- Reduce disproportionate diagnoses of HIV among racial and ethnic minorities; and
- Ensure that consistently high quality services are provided to Iowans living with HIV.

**Sexually Transmitted Disease**
- Increase the number of STD-infected persons who are aware of their infections;
- Reduce STD transmission to prevent new infections;
- Reduce the risks associated with STD transmission and acquisition;
- Reduce the health care consequences and financial burdens of undetected and untreated STD infections; and
- Reduce disproportionate incidence of STDs among racial and ethnic minorities and among youth.

**Hepatitis**
- Increase the number of HCV-infected persons who know their status;
- Reduce HCV transmission to prevent new infections;
- Provide adult hepatitis immunizations;
- Reduce HCV risk behaviors; and
- Provide appropriate referrals for HCV-positive persons.

Why We Do It

**Screening and prevention save lives and money.**

By the age of 25, half of all sexually active young adults will have contracted an STD. STD rates have nearly doubled in Iowa since 2000, and infectious syphilis cases have increased 450% since 2011. It is estimated that only 50% of all STD cases are diagnosed due to lack of symptoms common with chlamydia and gonorrhea.

Rates of chlamydia, gonorrhea, syphilis, and HIV per 100,000 population

There are an estimated 2,614 individuals living with HIV in Iowa, approximately 15.8% of whom do not know they are infected. Of those who are diagnosed, only 65% have viral suppression—a low enough level of virus in the blood to significantly decrease mortality and transmission risk. Individuals who do not know their status and those who are diagnosed but not in medical care contribute to ~100 new HIV infections in Iowa every year.

![Iowa's HIV Continuum 2013]

The points along this “continuum of care” indicate the number of individuals at each stage, with viral suppression being the ultimate goal of treatment. Our HIV prevention and care services are designed to raise all of these bars, so every individual living with HIV in Iowa is aware of their infection, in care, and virally suppressed.
An estimated 49,000 Iowans are currently infected with hepatitis C. The bureau is currently working to establish a hepatitis C surveillance system to encourage these individuals to be tested and treated. New medications have revolutionized hepatitis C treatment and now offer the hope of a cure to Iowans living with hepatitis C.

**Diagnosing and treating HIV, STD, and hepatitis early prevents long-term complications, costlier treatments, and new infections.**

**Our Contractors**

**Laboratory Services**

State Hygienic Laboratory  
2490 Crosspark Rd., Coralville, IA 52241

**HIV and HCV Counseling, Testing, and Referral Sites**

**Black Hawk County Health Department**  
1407 Independence Ave., 5th Floor  
Waterloo, IA 50703

**Cerro Gordo County Health Department**  
22 N. Georgia Ave., Suite 300  
Mason City, IA 50401

**Council Bluffs City Health Department**  
209 Pearl St.  
Council Bluffs, IA 51503

**Hillcrest Professional Health Clinic**  
220 W. 7th St.  
Dubuque, IA 52011

**Johnson County Public Health**  
Health & Human Services Building  
Community Health, Suite 217  
855 S. Dubuque St.  
Iowa City, IA 52240

**Linn County Public Health**  
501 13th St. N.W.  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52405

**The Project of Primary Health Care**  
1200 University Ave.  
Des Moines, IA 50314

**Polk County Health Department**  
1907 Carpenter Ave.  
Des Moines, IA 50314

**Scott County Health Department**  
600 W. 4th St., 4th Floor  
Davenport, IA 52801

**Siouxland Community Health Center**  
1021 Nebraska St.  
Sioux City, IA 51105

**HIV Client Services (Ryan White Part B Services)**

**Cedar AIDS Support System**  
2101 Kimball Ave., Suite 401  
Waterloo, IA 50702

**Finley Visiting Nurses Association**  
1454 Iowa St.  
Dubuque, IA 52011

**Linn County Community Services**  
1240 26th Ave Ct., S.W.  
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

**Mid-Iowa Community Action**  
230 S.E. 16th St.  
Ames, IA 50010

**Nebraska AIDS Project**  
250 S. 77th St., Suite A  
Omaha, NE 68114

**The Project of Primary Health Care**  
1200 University Ave.  
Des Moines, IA 50314

**The Project Quad Cities, Inc.**  
1351 W. Central Park Pavilion 1, #360  
Davenport, IA 52804

**North Iowa Community Action**  
100 First St. N.W., Suite 200  
Mason City, IA 50401

**Siouxland Community Health Center**  
1021 Nebraska St.  
Sioux City, IA 51105

**University of Iowa HIV Program**  
University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics  
200 Hawkins Dr., SW34-GH  
Iowa City, IA 52242  
Mason City, IA 50401

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Family Planning
Council of Iowa
108 Third St., Suite 220
Des Moines, IA 50309

Planned Parenthood of the Heartland
Ames Center
2530 Chamberlain
Ames, IA 50014

Burlington Center
620 N. 8th St.
Burlington, IA 52601

Cedar Falls Center
2520 Melrose, Suite L
Cedar Fall, IA 50613

Cedar Rapids Center
3425 1st Ave. S.E., Suite 100
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Council Bluffs Center
1604 2nd Ave.
Council Bluffs, IA 51501

Dubuque Center
3365 Hillcrest Rd.
Dubuque, IA 52002

Iowa City Center
850 Orchard St.
Iowa City, IA 52246

Keokuk Center
1626 Morgan St.
Keokuk, IA 52632

Quad Cities Center
2751 Tech Dr.
Bettendorf, IA 52722

Rosenfield Center
1000 E. Army Post Rd.
Des Moines, IA 50315

Sioux City Center
4409 Stone Ave.
Sioux City, IA 51106

Susan Knapp Center
2304 University Ave.
Des Moines, IA 50311

West Center
10534 New York
Urbandale, IA 50322

Allen Women’s Health
233 Vold Dr.
Waterloo, IA 50703

Black Hawk County Health Dept.
1407 Independence Ave, 5th Floor
Waterloo, IA 50703

Cass County Home Care
1500 E. 10th St.
Atlantic, IA 50022

Central Iowa Family Planning
717 5th Ave., Suite 4
Grinnell, IA 50112

Central Iowa Family Planning
794 May St., P.O. Box 1146
Marshalltown, IA 50158

Cerro Gordo Public Health
22 N. Georgia Ave., Suite 300
Mason City, IA 50401

Council Bluffs City Health Dept.
209 Pearl St.
Council Bluffs, IA 51503

Crawford County Family Planning
105 N. Main
Denison, IA 51442

Denison Job Corps.
10 Opportunity Drive
Denison, IA 51442

Drake University Health Center
3116 Carpenter
Des Moines, IA 50311

Edgerton Women’s Health Care
1510 E. Rusholme
Davenport, IA 52803

Emma Goldman Clinic for Women
227 N. Dubuque
Iowa City, IA 52245

Graceland College
1 University Place
Lamoni, IA 50140

Grandview College Student Health Center
1500 Morton Ave.
Des Moines, IA 50316

Harrison County Public Health
116 N. 2nd Ave.
Logan, IA 51546

HCCMS Family Planning
Monona Co. Public Health Nursing Service
610 Iowa Ave.
Onawa, IA 51040

HCCMS – Shelby County Public Health
Mystic Memorial Hospital
1213 Garfield Ave.
Harlan, IA 51537

Hillcrest Family Services
220 W. 7th St.
Dubuque, IA 52001

Iowa City Free Medical Clinic
2440 Towncres Dr.
Iowa City, IA 52245

Iowa Medical & Classification Center
2700 Coral Ridge Rd.
Coralville, IA 52241

La Clinica
3200 Grand Ave., 6th Floor
Des Moines, IA 50312

Linn County Health Dept.
501 13th St., N.W.
Cedar Rapids, IA 52405

Meskwaki Tribal Health Clinic
1646 305th St.
Tama, IA 52339

Metro Alternative High School Clinic
1212 7th St. S.E.
Cedar Rapids, IA 52401

Metro Care Connection
Jefferson High School
1243 20th St. S.W.
Cedar Rapids, IA 52404

MHI/RTC
1200 E. Washington
Mt. Pleasant, IA 52641

New Opportunities, Inc.
23751 Hwy. 30 E.
Carroll, IA 51401

North Iowa Community Action
100 1st St. N.W., Suite 200
Mason City, IA 50401

Northeast Iowa Community Action
305 Montgomery, Box 487
Decorah, IA 52101

Polk County Health Dept.
1907 Carpenter
Des Moines, IA 50314

Primary Health Care - Eastside
3509 E. 29th
Des Moines, IA 50317

The Project of Primary Health Care
1200 University Ave., Suite 120
Des Moines, IA 50314

Promise Community Health Center
338 1st Ave. N.W.
Sioux Center, IA 51250

Proteus, Inc.
3850 Merle Hay Rd., Suite 100
Des Moines, IA 50310

Scott Co. Correctional Health Services
400 W. 4th St.
Davenport, IA 52801

Scott County Health Dept.
400 W. 4th St.
Davenport, IA 52801

Scott County Juvenile Detention Center
518 W. 4th St.
Davenport, IA 52801

Siouxland Community Health Center
1021 Nebraska St.
Sioux City, IA 51105

Siouxland District Health Dept.
1014 Nebraska St.
Sioux City, IA 51105

Southern Iowa Family Planning
228 E. Second
Ottumwa, IA 52501

St. Luke’s Family Health Center
4251 River Center Ct. N.E.
Cedar Rapids, IA 52402

Success Streets
214 High St.
Waterloo, IA 50703

Trinity Muscatine Public Health
1609 Cedar St.
Muscatine, IA 52761

U of I Student Health Services
4189 Westlawn
Iowa City, IA 52242

Webster County Public Health
330 1st Ave. N, Suite L-2
Fort Dodge, IA 50501

Women’s Health Services
2635 Lincolnway, Suite A
Clinton, IA 52732