

Best Time to be Tested for Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)			
<u>STD</u>	<u>When is the best time to be tested?</u>	<u>When do symptoms usually appear?</u>	<u>When are results available?</u>
Chlamydia or Nonspecific Urethritis	7 days after having sex	The majority of people with chlamydia have no symptoms. If they do, it's usually 7 to 28 days after infection.	7–10 days
Gonorrhea	7 days after having sex	Most women and some men have no symptoms. Symptoms may show up 2 to 21 days after infection.	7–10 days
Hepatitis B	Test is 95% accurate one month after having sex or if injecting drugs where a needle was shared.	Many people have no symptoms or mild symptoms. Symptoms may show up 1 to 9 months after contact with the hepatitis B virus.	7–10 days
Herpes	If there is an obvious sore, test within 4–5 days of when you first see the sore. If there is no sore, test with a blood sample 3–4 months after having sex.	Most people have no symptoms. Symptoms may show up 1 to 30 days or longer after having sex.	7–10 days
HIV/AIDS	Most accurate 30 days or more days after having sex	A person can be infected with HIV for many years and show no symptoms. Symptoms show up several months to several years after contact with HIV.	Rapid HIV test: 20 minutes HIV Combo test: 7–10 days
HPV/Genital Warts	No testing available if warts are not visible; diagnosis is made by visual inspection	Many people have no symptoms. Symptoms may show up weeks, months or years after contact with HPV. If you have genital warts, you need to get checked.	Results available upon inspection
Syphilis	Most accurate 30 days or more after having sex	Symptoms may show up 1–12 weeks after having sex. If you see sores and/or a rash, get tested for syphilis even if the sores heal.	7–10 days

For more information, call **385-468-4242** or visit **www.cdc.gov/std/**