

STD PARTNER SERVICES

WHAT IS PARTNER SERVICES?

A broad array of services offered to people diagnosed with HIV and/or other sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) and their sex and needle sharing partners.

Through partner services, the Houston Health Department provides:

- Testing
- Partner Notification
- STD Treatment
- Linkage to HIV Care Services
- Linkage to Pre-exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)

OUR PARTNER SERVICES APPROACH IS...

Client Centered

The partner services process is tailored to the behaviors, circumstances and needs of each client.

Confidential

All information is kept secure and confidential. No information is shared with sex or needle sharing partners.

Collaborative

Staff work with the client to identify the best approach to confidentially notify, test and treat partners.

Free

All services are provided by the Houston Health Department free of charge!

DISEASE INTERVENTION SPECIALISTS (DIS) ARE HERE TO HELP!

DIS are professional healthcare staff who conduct partner services. They perform tasks such as:

- Interview clients diagnosed with HIV/STDs
- Elicit and confidentially notify sex and needle sharing partners of their possible exposure to HIV/STDs
- Work alongside the client's care team to ensure that proper and timely medical care is provided

GOALS OF PARTNER SERVICES:

