



Routine HIV Testing & Linkages to Care: Issues, Accomplishments, & Challenges

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Learning Objectives

1. Discuss the rationale, evolution, and future of routine HIV testing in healthcare settings
2. Identify common barriers to implementation of routine HIV testing in different settings
3. Describe strategies for overcoming barriers to implementation, including tools developed by the AETC program

Definitions and Helpful Resources
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Definitions Commonly Used Nationally

- **Anonymous Testing**
- **Confidential**
- **HIV Prevention Counseling**
 - **Pre-test counseling**
 - **Post-test counseling**
- **General Consent**
- **HIV**
- **Informed Consent**
- **Name-based reporting**
- **Opt-in**
- **Opt-out**
- **Routine Testing**
- **Rapid Testing**
- **Specific Consent**

Helpful Resources

CDC Recommendations and Guidelines: <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/testing/guideline.htm>

Emergency Department Implementation Guide: <http://edhivtestguide.org/>

Prenatal HIV Testing Website: <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/perinatal/ttest2lives/>

For questions or comments about the compendium, contact NCCC: NCCCtemp@nccc.ucsf.edu

Clinicians with questions about HIV testing can call the Warmline at 800-933-3413.

Ohio
A Quick Reference Guide for Clinicians to Ohio HIV Testing Laws
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Informed Consent

- Specific informed consent required; may be oral or in writing.

Counseling

- Post-test counseling is required.

Provisos of Testing

- **Anonymous**
 - Patients may request anonymous testing.
 - Anonymous testing is available at designated anonymous testing sites.
- **Rapid**
 - No specific provisions regarding rapid testing were found.
- **Routine**
 - A policy to offer routine and voluntary testing may be adopted by a facility or physician.

Disclosure

- Notification to sexual partners of possible exposure to HIV is required.

Prenatal and Neonatal Testing

- No specific provisions regarding prenatal or neonatal testing were found.

Minor/Adolescent Testing

- Minors may consent to STD testing, HIV explicitly included.

National HIV/AIDS Clinicians' Consultation Center
UCSF – San Francisco General Hospital

Warmline (800) 933 - 3413
National HIV Telephone Consultation Service
Consultation on all aspects of HIV testing and clinical care

PEPline (888) 448 - 4911
National Clinicians' Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Hotline
Recommendations on managing occupational exposures to HIV and hepatitis B & C

Perinatal HIV Hotline (888) 448 - 8765
National Perinatal HIV Consultation & Referral Service
Advice on testing and care of HIV-infected pregnant women and their infants
Referral to HIV specialists and regional resources

HRSA AIDS ETC Program & Community Based Programs, HIV/AIDS Bureau
& Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)
www.nccc.ucsf.edu

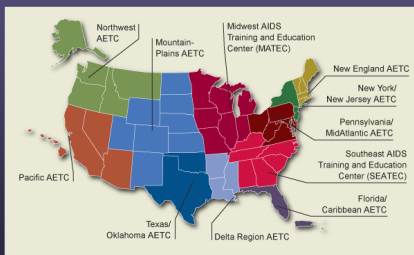


AETC HIV Recommendations Training Initiative

- Supplemental funds through FY2009
- Supports specialized training and technical assistance on HIV screening
- Priority settings include:
 - Hospital emergency departments and urgent care clinics
 - Inpatient facilities in acute-care hospitals
 - Correctional health clinics
 - STD clinics
 - Prenatal clinics
 - Community health Centers



Snapshot of AETC Accomplishments



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AETC HIV Testing Training Exchange Collaborative

- Began October 2007
- 66 members representing:
 - AETCs
 - HRSA HAB
 - CDC
 - National Association of Community Health Centers (NACHC)
 - Others
- Monthly conference calls
- Listserv
- Evaluation Subcommittee, in partnership with AETC National Evaluation Center

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Helpful Resources

www.aidsetc.org

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Questions



Thank you!

**Join us today at 2:30 pm in
Washington 6 Room for the
workshop entitled**

***Implementing Routine HIV
Testing: Stories from the Field***
