Young people are most impacted by skyrocketing STD rates in California.

We are seeing more chlamydia & gonorrhea infections than anytime within the last 25 years.

These infections usually don’t show symptoms, and can cause serious health problems, like infertility.

1 out of 2 cases of chlamydia is among young people.

1 out of 3 cases of gonorrhea is among young people.

Among sexually active CA high school teens...

only half used a condom the last time they had sex.

&

only 1 in 3 use a condom every time they have sex.

The good news is chlamydia & gonorrhea are preventable & curable.

HAVE A CONVERSATION

Teens should talk to their partners about using condoms & having sex with just each other.

GET TESTED

Teens can ask a doctor about getting tested for chlamydia & gonorrhea (and other STDs too).

TREAT RIGHT AWAY

If a test comes back positive, it is important to start treatment right away & make sure partners do too.

California teens have the right to access confidential & affordable STD testing/treatment, HPV vaccine, and birth control.

Learn more: www.teensource.org/know-your-rights

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