

You should know:

- Chlamydia and gonorrhea are bacterial infections, spread through sexual contact, that are common in young people ages 15-24. Of the nearly 3.7 million new chlamydia and gonorrhea infections that occur in the U.S. each year, half are in young people.
- Most people with chlamydia will have no symptoms, so it's very common to have an infection and not know it.
- When infections like chlamydia and gonorrhea go untreated, they can lead to more serious health problems, like infertility in women.

Because these infections are common and can cause serious complications in women if untreated, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommends that all sexually active women under age 25 be tested for chlamydia and gonorrhea each year.

Based on how common these infections are, it is our policy to automatically perform these screening tests for you as recommended by CDC guidelines. If you have any questions, please ask your healthcare provider.