

Partner Services (PS)

- ◆ is confidential and voluntary
- ◆ helps individuals with HIV or an STD talk to their sex or needle-sharing partner(s)



Partner Services helps your partner(s) to:

- ◆ get an HIV or STD test
- ◆ receive medical care
- ◆ receive HIV and STD services, prevention education, and referrals

Confidential Service

A PS Counselor WILL...

- ◆ make sure they are talking to the correct partner(s)
- ◆ talk to your partner(s) in a private place
- ◆ contact you if they need more information about your partner(s)

A PS Counselor WILL NOT...

- ◆ give out your name
- ◆ give out any identifying information
- ◆ give information about when or how you contracted HIV or a STD.



3 Ways to Talk to Your Partners

A trained PS counselor talks to your partners for you

Benefits:

- ◆ maintain your privacy
- ◆ less work for you to find and notify multiple partners
- ◆ avoid potentially difficult or unsafe situations
- ◆ partners receive accurate health information about HIV and STDs

You and a PS counselor talk to your partners together

Benefits:

- ◆ feel secure and supported
- ◆ counselor can answer health related questions
- ◆ counselor can offer testing and referrals to medical services.

You talk to your partners on your own

Consider:

- ◆ What will you say?
- ◆ Where and when will you talk to them?
- ◆ How might they react?
- ◆ Will they keep your HIV or STD status private?

Partner Services Steps

Your HIV or STD Test



Results, Treatment, and Referrals

Test site counselor talks to you about PS and if you agree arranges a meeting with a PS counselor



PS Counselor explains Partner Services

You agree to provide contact information - name, phone number, email, and address.



Partners Notified

PS counselor contacts you again if they need more partner information



Partner is Tested

Partner is positive
Referred to treatment and services

Partner is negative
Offered prevention education and referrals

Partner Services Contact Information

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Partner Services



A confidential service offered by caring and understanding professionals

