

## **SYPHILIS SYMPTOMS**

- The first symptom is a painless sore that may appear inside or near the mouth, genitals or anal areas.
- A second symptom may be a rash that appears on the palms of hands, bottom of feet, or on the body between the arm pits and upper thighs.
- Syphilis symptoms may appear and disappear.
- To cure syphilis medical testing and treatment are required.



## **TEST TODAY**

- If experiencing signs or symptoms
- If being tested for other STDs
- If sexually active (testing recommended every 6-12 months)
- If engaging in unprotected sex (testing recommended every 6 months)
- If you have multiple sex partners (testing recommended every 6 months)
- If you are a man having sex with other men (testing recommended every 3- 6 months)
- If you plan to get pregnant in the future

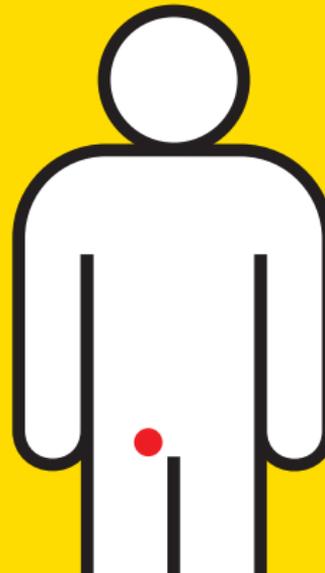
## **That sore might be SYPHILIS**

Syphilis and other STDs are on the rise in LA County

**GET FACTS. GET TESTED. GET CURED.**

Free & confidential testing & information:

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# It's their health too

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## **SYPHILIS IN WOMEN**

- Syphilis in women is increasing in Los Angeles County
- If a woman is infected with syphilis while pregnant, it can lead to birth defects, miscarriage, premature birth or stillbirth
- **Good News:** Syphilis can be treated and cured even during pregnancy with a shot of antibiotics

## **IF YOU ARE PREGNANT:**

- Prenatal care is very important to keep you and your baby healthy
- You should be tested for syphilis 3 times during your pregnancy: during the 1st trimester, early in the 3rd trimester (between 28-32 weeks) and at delivery
- If you don't have a regular doctor, call the free STD hotline **(800) 758-0880** to find out where to get tested and treated for free