



HIV PREVENTION – ALL ABOUT PrEP

What is PrEP?

PrEP has been a game changer in HIV in Australia and worldwide.

PrEP is short for 'Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis.' It is a medication that people without HIV, or people who are HIV negative, take to prevent HIV **before** and after an exposure.

Taking PrEP which are tablets, prescribed by your Doctor, either daily, or before and after an event where HIV can be transmitted means there is enough medication in your body to stop HIV if you're exposed to HIV.

If taken as recommended PrEP reduces the risk of HIV transmission by almost 100%.

PrEP is subsidised by Medicare.

Who is PrEP recommended for?

PrEP isn't for everyone.

It is recommended for all people who could be at risk of HIV.

People who are at higher risk of getting HIV, including:

- Gay, bisexual, and men who have sex with men
- Sister-girls
- People who have a HIV-positive partner
- People who have a lot of casual sex without using condoms.

If you are interested in PrEP, talk to your local doctor about your options.

Where Do You Get PrEP?

PrEP can be prescribed by any doctor (GP) in Australia. You can also ask your local Aboriginal Medical Service or sexual health clinic.

If you have a Medicare card, with your PrEP prescription you can buy PrEP from your local chemist.



Does PrEP Protect Against Other STIs?

No, PrEP only protects against HIV – not other STIs.

Spread the word about PrEP

Spread the word about PrEP in your community and help end HIV!

Is PrEP the same as PEP?

PEP is a month-long course of medication also used to prevent HIV. It is taken after a possible exposure to HIV e.g. unsafe sex event or after injecting drugs. It works by preventing HIV take hold. It is recommended that someone commences PEP within 72 hours after a possible exposure to HIV.

PEP is available at most emergency departments doctors and sexual health clinics.

For more information see the fact sheet: HIV Prevention – all about PEP

**To find out more about PrEP go to
www.atsihiv.org.au/health-promotion/prep/**

Let's look after our health and get tested for STIs and BBVs. If we all test and get treated, we can stop the spread of STIs and BBVs in our community.

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