



Universal Screening Recommendations

- All sexually active patients starting at age 14: annual screening for GC/CT, HIV, and syphilis.
- Any time GC and CT are tested for, HIV and syphilis screening should also be performed if not done in the last 12 months.
- Regardless of sexual activity, all teenagers should be screened for HIV by the age of 18. Additionally, all teenagers should undergo yearly GC/CT screening with, at minimum, a dirty urine.

Symptoms of Genital Infection

- Sores (genital, oral, or anal)
- Discharge or burning
- Dysuria
- Groin pain
- Pelvic pain
- Sore throat
- Rectal itching
- Discomfort or pain with bowel movement
- Vaginal itching or odor
- Testicular pain, swelling, or twisted feeling
- Pain with ejaculation or sex

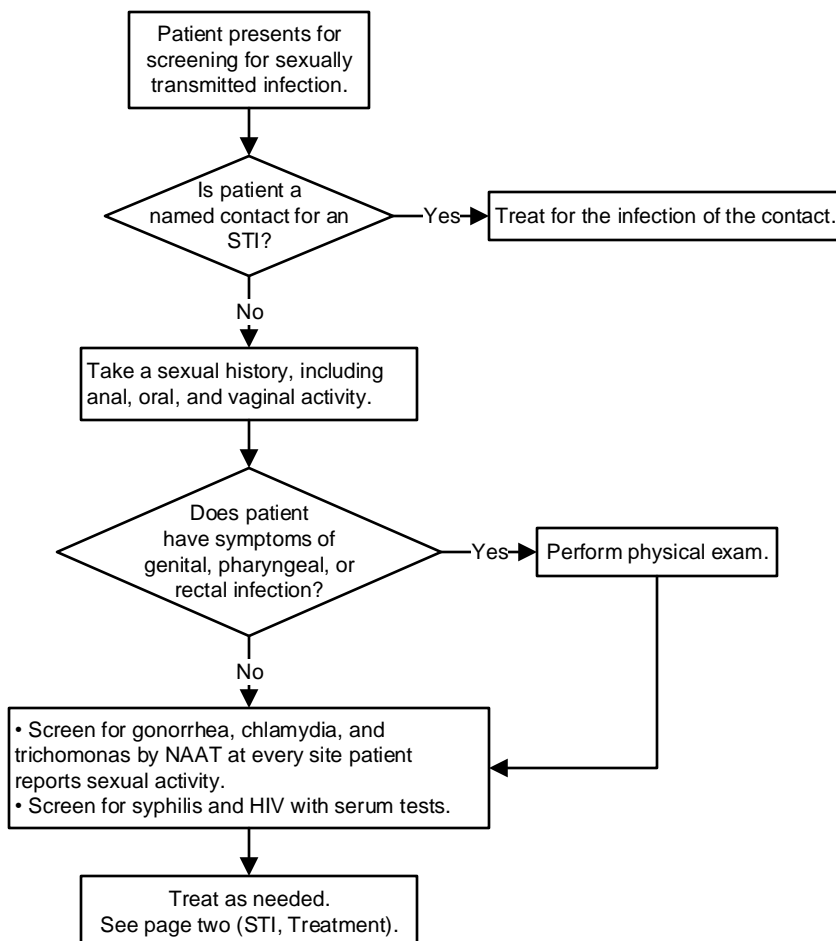
Age of Consent in the State of Alaska

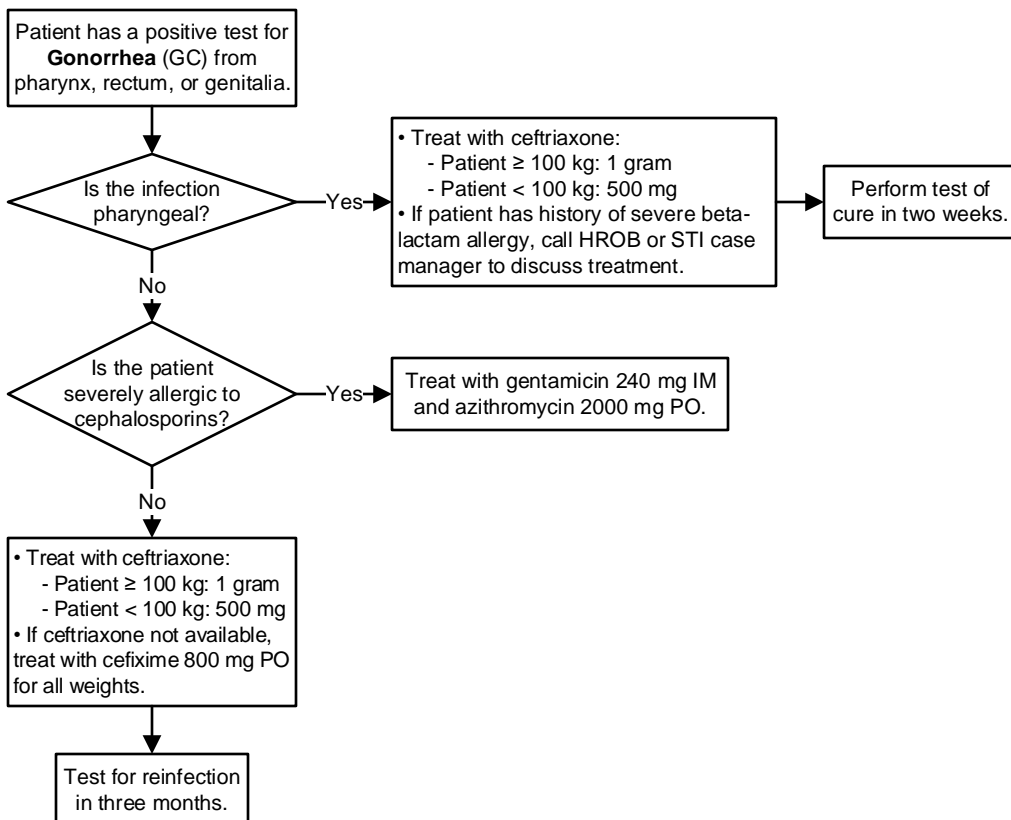
Two people who are both 16 or older can legally agree to have sex with each other. When a person involved in sex is under the age of 16, Alaska law looks at the difference in ages to decide whether consent can be legally given.

- No person over 16 can legally have sex with someone who is 13 or younger.
- No person under 16 can legally have sex with someone who is 4 or more years older.
- No person under 16 can legally have sex with a person in a position of authority over them (including a teacher, coach, or minister).

A positive STI test in a patient who fits the above scenarios should be reported to OCS, law enforcement (BPD if in Bethel or AST if in a village), and the Child Abuse Pool in RAVEN.

Please note: There is no lower age limit for STI testing. Any patient may be tested, regardless of age, without special consent.



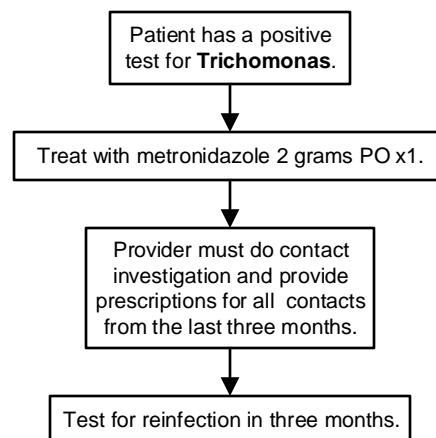
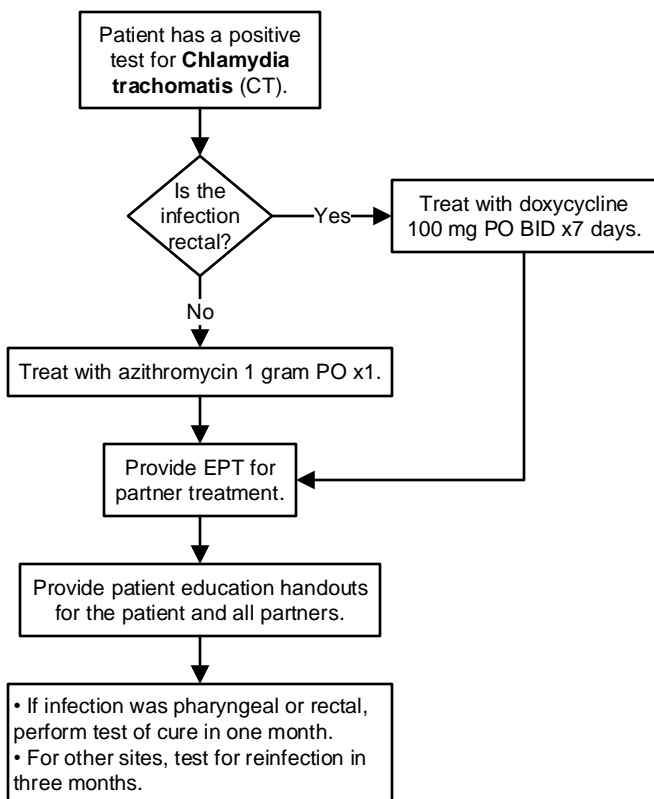


Expedited Partner Therapy (EPT)

EPT is a method of treating partners by asking the patient to take the doses to the partner. This is the standard of care for chlamydia at YKHC.

Process:

1. Treat the patient with azithromycin 1000 grams PO.
2. Give the patient pre-packaged doses for each sexual contact in the last three months. Give a handout explaining the process. This can be found under Patient Education → All → "EPT Partner Chlamydia (Custom)."



This guideline is designed for the general use of most patients but may need to be adapted to meet the special needs of a specific patient as determined by the medical practitioner. Approved by MSEC 8/3/21. Click [here](#) to see the supplemental resources for this guideline. If comments about this guideline, please contact David_Compton@ykhc.org.