



STD/HIV Activity Report

HIV/STD Surveillance Program



The purpose of this report is to demonstrate the trends and activities surrounding STD and HIV in Long Beach.

Table 1. Quarterly chlamydia, gonorrhea, total early syphilis, syphilis and HIV in Long Beach

Disease	2018 totals	2017 totals	YTD 5-Year Average
Chlamydia	3,971*	4,283	3,547
Gonorrhea	1,784*	1,704	1,326
Total Early Syphilis	357*	367	298
Late Latent Syphilis	114*	160	111
Congenital Syphilis	8*	4	4
HIV	**	101	**

*Numbers will vary due to investigations closing at various times and data entry lag time.

**Data for 2018 has not been received from Office of AIDS.



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Table 2. Activities

Activity	Q1	Q2	Q3	Q4	2018 Total
Presentations	5	13	4	6	28
High schools, providers and community organizations					
Letters for corrective action and communicable disease provider toolkits	11	8	11	9	39
Letters sent out to providers who are not following CDC guidelines					
Website views	—	—	—	—	—
Number of website visits					
Hotline Calls	0*	0*	14	79	93
Number of calls we receive from the community or providers					
Outreach Events	0	3	2	1	6
Number of Outreach Events					
Social Media	2	36	24	56	119
Number of social media views					
Condoms Distributed	3,000	8,000	8,000	12,000	31,000
Number of condoms distributed					
Third Party Notification	15	11	15	31	72
Number of contacts notified/obtained					

*The HIV/STD Surveillance Program did not track the number of calls received for the first two quarters of 2018. The increase in numbers may be due to the beginning of tracking cases.

- The HIV/STD Surveillance Program was not tracking the number of views to the website for 2018.



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Table 3. Focus Areas

Goal: Decrease the number of STDs and HIV in Long Beach.

Focus Area: Youth

Objectives:

1. To increase STD/HIV awareness among youth, especially youth of color
2. To provide resources to facilitate STD/HIV prevention

- Poly High School Health Fair—distributed educational brochures
- Working with CSULB Health Science Department—making students aware of the STD rates and have them develop a program to reduce STD rates
- Jordan High School STD/HIV 101 Education Series (About 400 students) for school years 17/18 and 18/19
- Trained CSULB Nursing Students to present STD/HIV material to high school students
- Coordinated with The Center to have them present about gender identity to Jordan High School students and faculty
- Educated approximately 40 students from Beach High School

Focus Area: Providers

Objectives:

1. To ensure healthcare clinicians adequately diagnose, treat, and report STDs
2. To increase healthcare clinician situational awareness regarding STDs/HIV in Long Beach
3. To increase awareness and prescribing or referral for PrEP

- Presented at Long Beach Memorial Medical Center Family Residency Program about syphilis diagnosis and treatment
- Coordinated and presented Epidemiology of STDs in Long Beach at the Long Beach STD/HIV Clinical Update (Provided in collaboration with CDPH)
- Presented at the Infection Control Meeting at Miller Children's Hospital about STD testing protocol for pregnant females.
- Published Annual STD/HIV Surveillance Report, September 2018
- Belinda and Dr. Davis attended Congenital Syphilis Summit (Oakland, CA), hosted by the California Department of Public Health (CDPH)
- Presented to the Infection Control Specialist at College Medical Center about syphilis diagnosis, treatment and follow-up.
- Sent out a Health Alerts covering: Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) and Post-Exposure Prophylaxis (PEP) recommendations for patients who test HIV negative, Congenital syphilis increase in Long Beach, and Identify and prevent Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) by testing and referring patients either to medical care or Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)
- Educated Long Beach Memorial Medical Center residents on the testing and treatment guidelines for STDs and HIV

Focus Area: At Risk Populations (MSM, youth, pregnant women and people of color)

Objectives:

1. To increase STD/HIV awareness among high risk populations
2. To provide resources and decrease barriers to facilitate STD/HIV prevention
3. To increase awareness and use of PrEP

- Pride Parade (May 19, 2018)- handed out brochures and condoms
- Pop Up Town (North Long Beach)- handed out brochures and condoms
- Khmer Health Fair (June 16, 2018)- handed out brochures and condoms
- Health Fair (August)- handed out brochures



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- Long Beach Press Telegram published an article surround the rising number of STD/HIV, titled “Long Beach releases 2017 STD report, and health officials are concerned”
- Hired 1 new Disease Intervention Specialist, who will interview clients and ensure proper treatment, notification of partners, and partner testing and treatment (September 2018)
- Displayed the KNOWMORE campaign at the LGBTQ+ The Center (May 2018)
- Presented the KnowMore Campaign at the Long Beach Public Health Conference (April 2018)
- Launched the KnowMore Campaign (June 2018)
- Presented at APHA- Missed Opportunities of CT and GC Detection when not using Extra Genital Testing (November 2018).
- Distributed over 20,000 condoms to areas where disease burden is high

Focus Area: Our Partners

Objectives:

- 1. To collaborate with our partners to develop and implement a Long Beach STD/HIV Prevention and Control Plan***
- 2. To collaborate with our partners to meet the above objectives***

- Long Beach HIV Planning Group—co chair; developing HIV/STD Action Plan
- PrEP sub committee—various stakeholders; focused on provider and community outreach
- Partner Services sub committee
- Collaborated with Walgreens to ensure providers have access to syphilis treatment
- Career Fair at CSULB- introduced students to public health careers
- Applying with The Center for a Public Health Associate through a program with the CDC, where the CDC funds an employee to provide public health core services locally for 2 years
- Training future Public Health Interns from CSULB
- Met with LBUSD staff to discussion collaboration with the department
- LBDHHS Sexual clinic sees individuals who are referred to us at the end of year due to the depletion of funds or when their provider is on vacation

Focus Area: Funding

Objectives:

- 1. Increase funding for STDs***

- Meet with LA County to increase STD funds that are allocated for the LBDHHS
- Participate in Public Health Alliance’s Southern California STI Workgroup advocating for funding
- As a member of the Health Officers Association of California, developing a \$50m budget request for CD Control, including STDs