

NEW JERSEY AIDS/HIV/STD HOTLINE

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Linking People with HIV to Medical Care The Navigator Project 1-800-624-2377

(Newark, NJ) – Feeling overwhelmed after finding out you have HIV? Not sure of your next steps? Did you find out you have HIV from an in-home HIV test kit? Have you stopped going for treatment for HIV infection?

The New Jersey AIDS/HIV/STD Hotline helps people just like you, and anyone infected with HIV get hooked up to the medical treatment needed to stay healthy. Call us at 1-800-624-2377 today to speak with a healthcare professional who will connect you to medical care on the same or next business day.

HIV does not discriminate! Anyone can get HIV through unprotected sex, sharing needles to inject drugs or from tattooing. Even newborns are at risk when born to HIV-infected mothers.

Linking HIV-infected people to medical care early increases their chance for staying healthy. HIV testing, diagnosis and treatment help prevent others from being infected.

KNOW YOUR HIV STATUS – GET OUT & GET TESTED

Our staff, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), and the New Jersey Department of Health all recommend that everyone ages 13-64 be tested for HIV routinely, especially those at higher risk for HIV infection and pregnant women. About 1 in 5 Americans infected with HIV, do not know they have it.

For more information about HIV, HIV testing (free, state-funded testing sites), linkage to HIV treatment, and/or questions/concerns about STDs or hepatitis, call us - the healthcare professionals at the New Jersey AIDS/HIV/STD hotline at 1-800-624-2377. You may also reach us by text/email at 8006242377@njpies.org or chat via our site at www.njhivstdline.org. Calls are free and confidential.

Services available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, every day of the year

- Referrals for testing sites and other related services
- HIV/AIDS, STD and hepatitis prevention information
- HIV counseling and treatment locations
- HIV treatment information