

HIV IS SPREADING IN SEATTLE



More people living homeless and people who inject drugs are being diagnosed with HIV in north Seattle. We are also concerned about it spreading throughout Seattle. **PLEASE TEST FOR HIV REGULARLY** to protect yourself and anyone who has sex with you or shares works with you.

HIV IS VERY TREATABLE. Most people who take HIV medications have a normal life span.

HOW DOES HIV SPREAD?

HIV is an infection that spreads through:



Unprotected sex



Sharing works, including needles, cotton, cookers and water

When untreated, HIV can make you dangerously sick.

HOW TO PREVENT HIV

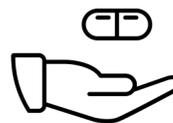
The best ways to prevent HIV:



Use condoms regularly



Avoid sharing injection equipment and works, including needles, cotton, cookers and water



You can also take a daily medication called PrEP which prevents getting HIV.

WHAT TO DO IF YOU THINK YOU ARE AT RISK FOR GETTING HIV OR THINK YOU MIGHT HAVE IT:



You can get walk-in testing at many locations including:

- Harborview STD Clinic (908 Jefferson St, 11th Floor, Seattle)
 - Downtown Needle Exchange (2124 4th Ave, Seattle)
 - Mobile Medical Van (206-330-6775, www.kingcounty.gov/mobilemed)
- For a list of other locations, call 206-263-2000.



If you have HIV, Public Health will help you find a doctor and get treatment. Everyone with HIV in King County can get the care and medication they need, even if they can't pay or don't have insurance.