Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) Prevention & Control Program 2017 Program Overview

Disease Intervention Specialists (DIS) stop the spread of STD infection. They identify persons with a reportable STD, conduct interviews, and ensure they and their partners are properly treated.

Interviewed 1,608 patients
Confirmed treatment for 96% of patients interviewed
Identified 1,037 partners

17,094 cases of STD infections were reported in 2016

Reportable = Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, and Syphilis

New Mexico participates in the Gonococcal Isolate Surveillance Project (GISP) to monitor for antibiotic-resistant Gonorrhea

New Mexico experienced a 61% increase in early syphilis cases from 2015 to 2016.

New Mexico was ranked 11th in the nation for rates of primary and secondary syphilis in 2016.

Searchable HIV, STD, Hepatitis and Harm Reduction Resources: www.nmhivguide.org
Program Goal

Reduce the burden of reportable STD and provide quality public health intervention that specifically target the populations at greatest risk of STD.

STD Program Activities

The STD Program provides statewide program coordination and service delivery. This includes: health care provider training, technical assistance and consultation; testing and screening for populations at risk; disease surveillance; and partner services, disease management and follow up.

1. **Disease Surveillance**: Track and monitor trends in STD.
2. **Partner Services and Disease Management**: Identify and contact persons who test positive for STD. Identify their partners and offer disease management to ensure they receive proper treatment. Provide education and confirm treatment to stop the spread of infection.
3. **Screening and Testing**: Provide free and accessible screening and testing in NMDOH Public Health Offices (PHO).
4. **Infertility Prevention**: Reduce the number of infections of Chlamydia, the leading preventable cause of infertility. Many cases have no symptoms and must be found through screening.
5. **Training**: Ensure that health care providers report STD cases in a timely fashion to allow disease management and follow-up. Ensure that patients receive timely and appropriate treatment.

STD Infections and Persons Served

- 17,094 cases of reportable STD infections were tracked and reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for national surveillance in 2016. Of this total, 3,523 were initially tested and 3,427 (97.3%) were treated at a NMDOH PHO.

STD Program Budget

- Federal Funds - from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC): $655,000
- State General Funds: $575,000
- Program Income/Revenue - from Medicaid billing: $600,000