

## Partner Services Steps

### Your HIV or STD Test



### Results, Treatment, and Referrals

Test site counselor talks to you about PS and if you agree arranges a meeting with a PS counselor



### PS Counselor explains Partner Services

You agree to provide contact information - name, phone number, email, and address.



### Partners Notified

PS counselor contacts you again if they need more partner information



### Partner is Tested

Partner is positive  
offered Rx, referrals, and prevention education

Partner is negative  
offered prevention education and referrals

## Partner Services Contact Information

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## Partner Services



*A confidential service  
offered by caring and  
understanding professionals*



## Partner Services (PS)

- ◆ is confidential and voluntary
- ◆ helps individuals with HIV or an STD talk to their sex or needle-sharing partner(s)



## Partner Services helps your partner(s) to:

- ◆ get an HIV or STD test
- ◆ receive medical care
- ◆ receive HIV and STD services, prevention education, and referrals

## Confidential Service

### A PS Counselor WILL...

- ◆ make sure they are talking to the correct partner(s)
- ◆ talk to your partner(s) in a private place
- ◆ contact you if they need more information about your partner(s)

### A PS Counselor WILL NOT...

- ◆ give out your name
- ◆ give out any identifying information
- ◆ give information about when or how you contracted HIV or a STD.



## 3 Ways to Talk to Your Partners

A trained PS counselor talks to your partners for you

### Benefits:

- ◆ maintain your privacy
- ◆ less work for you to find and notify multiple partners
- ◆ avoid potentially difficult or unsafe situations
- ◆ partners receive accurate health information about HIV and STDs

You and a PS counselor talk to your partners together

### Benefits:

- ◆ feel secure and supported
- ◆ counselor can answer health related questions
- ◆ counselor can offer testing and referrals to medical services.

You talk to your partners on your own

### Consider:

- ◆ What you will say?
- ◆ Where and when will you talk to them?
- ◆ How they might react?
- ◆ Will they keep your HIV or STD status private?