

STI Case Definitions for Surveillance
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1.HIV infection	Demonstration of antibodies to HIV 1 or 2 by a screening test, and <u>confirmed</u> with a Western blot or other confirmatory assay.
2. Infectious syphilis	<p><i>Includes primary syphilis, secondary syphilis and early latent syphilis. Both probable and confirmed cases should be included.</i></p> <p>a) Primary and secondary syphilis</p> <p><u>Probable:</u> An illness with ulcers (primary) or mucocutaneous lesions (secondary) clinically suggestive of syphilis and a reactive serologic test for syphilis (non-treponemal or treponemal).</p> <p><u>Confirmed:</u> Demonstration of <i>Treponema pallidum</i> in clinical specimens by darkfield microscopy or other methods.</p> <p>b) Early latent syphilis</p> <p>No clinical signs or symptoms of syphilis with historical/ documented evidence that the infection was acquired within the previous 24 months, and</p> <p>1) a reactive non-treponemal and treponemal test in a patient with no prior syphilis diagnosis, or</p> <p>2) a non-treponemal test titer demonstrating fourfold or greater increase from the last non-treponemal test in a patient with a prior syphilis diagnosis.</p>
3.Late syphilis	<p><i>Includes late latent syphilis, tertiary syphilis, and quaternary syphilis</i></p> <p>a) Late latent syphilis</p> <p>No clinical signs or symptoms of syphilis, with evidence that the infection was acquired more than 24 months ago <u>or</u> of unknown duration, and</p> <p>a non-treponemal test which is reactive or non-reactive <u>and</u> a treponemal test which is reactive in a patient with no prior syphilis diagnosis.</p> <p>b) Tertiary syphilis / quaternary syphilis</p> <p>A diagnosis of cardiovascular, neuro or gummatous syphilis, and</p> <p>1) there is evidence that the infection was acquired more than 24 months ago <u>or</u> of unknown duration, and</p> <p>2) a non-treponemal test which is reactive or non-reactive <u>and</u> a treponemal test which is reactive</p>

<p>4. Early congenital syphilis</p>	<p><i>Early congenital syphilis is diagnosed in children who are less than 2 years of age. Both probable and confirmed cases should be included.</i></p> <p><u>Probable:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. An infant whose mother had untreated or inadequately treated syphilis during pregnancy (includes an infant whose mother treated with non-penicillin regimens and was treated for syphilis less than 4 weeks prior to delivery and regardless of signs in the infant and), or 2. An infant or child with a reactive treponemal test, and, any one of the following <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Evidence of congenital syphilis on physical examination b) Long bone X-rays compatible with congenital syphilis c) Reactive non-treponemal test, which is 4 fold greater than the mother. d) A reactive CSF- VDRL <u>or</u> an elevated cell count <u>and</u> protein in CSF (without other cause) e) A reactive syphilis specific Ig M antibody test f) A persistently reactive treponemal test for more than 18 months of age. 2. Stillbirth: A foetal death that occurs after 20 weeks gestation or in which the foetus weighs >500 g and the mother had untreated or inadequately treated syphilis at delivery. <p><u>Confirmed:</u> Demonstration of <i>T. pallidum</i> by darkfield microscopy, fluorescent antibody in specimens from lesions, placenta, umbilical cord or autopsy material.</p>
<p>5. Late congenital syphilis</p>	<p><i>Late congenital syphilis is diagnosed in persons who are older than 2 yrs.</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A child with, a reactive treponemal test, whose mother had untreated or inadequately treated syphilis during pregnancy (regardless of signs in the child), or 2. A child with a reactive treponemal test and any one of the following <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Evidence of congenital syphilis on physical examination b. Long bone X-rays compatible with congenital syphilis
<p>6.1 Gonorrhoea</p>	<p><i>Both probable or confirmed cases should be included</i></p> <p><u>Probable:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Male with a purulent urethral discharge who has a history of recent sexual exposure, or 2. Observation of gram-negative intracellular diplococci in a urethral smear obtained from a man, or 3. Observation of gram-negative intracellular diplococci in a cervical smear obtained from a woman, or 4. Sexual contact of a case of gonorrhoea (probable or confirmed) who has been treated for gonorrhoea but tested negative or not tested for gonorrhoea <p><u>Confirmed:</u></p> <p>Isolation of typical gram-negative, oxidase-positive diplococci from a gonococcal culture of a clinical specimen.</p>

7. Ophthalmia neonatorum	<p><i>Both probable or confirmed cases should be included</i></p> <p><u>Probable:</u> Unilateral or bilateral conjunctivitis in a newborn occurring within four weeks of delivery.</p> <p><u>Confirmed:</u> Conjunctivitis in a new-born (within four weeks of delivery), with an ocular specimen that is positive for <i>N. gonorrhoea</i> or <i>C. trachomatis</i></p>
8.1 NGU (Non-gonococcal urethritis)	<p>A male with symptoms or signs of urethritis, and a urethral smear or culture is negative for gonococcus, and</p> <p>Gram-stained urethral smear with ≥ 5 pus cells per high power field (x1000), or</p> <p>Gram-stained deposits of first passed urine (centrifuged) with ≥ 10 pus cells per high power field (x1000), or</p> <p>first void centrifuged urine with ≥ 15 pus cells per high power field (x 400)</p>
8.2 NGC (Non-gonococcal cervicitis) / MPC (muco purulent cervicitis)	<p>A female with symptoms or signs of cervicitis, and a cervical smear or culture is negative for gonococcus, and</p> <p>Gram-stained cervical smear with ≥ 30 pus cells per field (x1000)</p>
9. Chlamydia	<p><u>Probable:</u> Contact of a case of chlamydia and tested negative or not tested</p> <p><u>Confirmed:</u> A positive antigen detection test, culture or nucleic acid-based test for <i>C. trachomatis</i> on a clinical specimen from a symptomatic or asymptomatic person.</p>
10. Genital herpes	<p>Laboratory evidence of herpes simplex virus (type I or II) from a clinical specimen form a lesion in the anogenital area (HSV ELISA, HSV culture), or</p> <p>A clinically compatible illness in the anogenital area with or without detecting giant cells.</p> <p>Note: Do not include serologically diagnosed cases who never had signs or symptoms of herpes in anogenital area.</p>
11. Genital warts	<p>An illness with obvious genital or anal warts on physical examination.</p> <p>Note: Should not include koilocytic atypia on the Pap smear or areas with positive “Aceto-white” test.</p>

12. Chancroid	<p><i>Both probable or confirmed cases should be included</i></p> <p>Probable: A person with genital or anal ulcers clinically suggestive of chancroid, and</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) No evidence of <i>T. pallidum</i> infection by darkfield examination or by a serologic test for syphilis performed more than 7 days after ulcer onset, and 2) A negative test for HSV on ulcer exudates or clinical exclusion of HSV. <p>Confirmed: Identification of <i>Haemophilus ducreyi</i> by culture or nucleic acid test in ulcer exudates.</p>
13. Trichomoniasis	<p>Vaginal smear, urine deposit or pap smear is positive for <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i> in a person who may or may not have symptoms or signs.</p>
14. Candidiasis	<p>Refers to <i>Candida</i> vulvo-vaginitis in females and <i>Candida</i> balanitis in males.</p> <p>Note: Diagnosed only if the client has symptoms or signs, and a positive smear <u>or</u> culture for candida. It should not be a laboratory diagnosis alone.</p>
15. Bacterial vaginosis	<p>A woman with symptoms or signs and a vaginal smear suggestive of Bacterial vaginosis (presence of Clue cells, absence of lactobacilli, presence of mixed bacterial flora etc) .</p> <p>It should not be a laboratory diagnosis alone.</p>
16. Other STI	<p>Refers to all other STIs not listed above such as LGV, Granuloma inguinale, Molluscum in genital area, PID, prostatitis, genital scabies etc</p>
17. Non STI	<p>Refers to a non-STI illness such as dermatitis, seborrhoeic warts, sebaceous cysts, UTI, Inguinal hernia etc</p>
18. Uncertain diagnosis	<p>If the diagnosis is uncertain at the time of completing quarterly returns, count the case as 'uncertain diagnosis'. This can be changed later with more evidence.</p>
19. No illness	<p>Refers to persons who come for testing but physical examination and laboratory investigations are negative.</p>