

NHS Forth Valley

Chlamydia in Pregnancy

Patient Information



Chlamydia Testing in Pregnancy

Why am I being tested at the antenatal clinic?

Untreated Chlamydia can cause some complications in pregnancy. (Please note that only women under 25 will be tested at the antenatal clinic).

In the mother it can cause infection in the lining of the womb and it can also be passed onto the baby at birth and can lead to infection of the eyes and lungs.

These complications can be prevented with simple treatment.

What is Chlamydia?

Chlamydia is the most common curable sexually transmitted infection seen in the UK – approximately 1 in 10 women under 25 will have this infection.

Wouldn't I know if I had Chlamydia?

Probably not – about 70% of women and 60% of men will have no signs or symptoms. Because of this you may have had the infection for years and be unaware of it.

What will happen if I am found to have Chlamydia?

You will be referred to the genitourinary medicine department where they will arrange for you to have treatment.

This will be in the form of antibiotic tablets.

A trained health advisor will also advise that your regular sexual partner/s be tested and treated for the infection.

This is important as reinfection can occur.

You will also be advised about not having sexual contact with your partner for a short time until you are both treated.

Will my partner definitely have the infection?

About two thirds of people with Chlamydia will have partners who test positive for Chlamydia.

This does not indicate who introduced the infection into the relationship as it can be treated with antibiotics which have been given for another reason.

How am I tested?

If you are under 25 years old, you will be asked to provide a urine sample when you attend for your twelve week scan provided you have given consent.

**It is really very important that your partner attends
as this will prevent re-infection.**

**Please remember Chlamydia will not
go away without treatment.**

You can obtain the service of an interpreter or have the document Chlamydia in Pregnancy translated in your own language by contacting the interpreting services on 0845 130 1170. These services are available free of charge.

Galite gauti vertėjo paslaugas arba leidinį „Chlamidija nėštumo metu“, išverstą į jūsų gimtąją kalbą, kreipęsi į vertimų biurą telefonu 0845 130 1170. Šios paslaugos yra nemokamos.

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