



# **SYPHILIS IS BACK!**

## **WHEN WAS YOUR LAST TEST?**

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# SYPHILIS IS PREVENTABLE & CURABLE...IT'S UP TO YOU!

## KNOW THE SIGNS

### FIRST SIGNS OF SYPHILIS:

- An open sore usually in the genital (private) area or mouth that generally does not hurt at all
- The sore may be inside the anus or vagina, so it often is not seen
- Sore goes away without medicine

### SECOND SIGNS OF SYPHILIS:

- Rash on the palms of hands and/ or bottoms of feet
- Rash all over your body
- Bumps that look like warts in the genital (private) area
- Clumps of hair fall out of your head

## DON'T BE FOOLED

- Syphilis often has no symptoms
- Syphilis stays in your body even if sores go away
- The only way to be sure you don't have syphilis is to be tested

## STAY PROTECTED

- Use condoms consistently for oral, anal and vaginal sex
- More than one partner? Get STD check-ups at least every six months

## DROP-IN TESTING\*

Columbus Public Health - 240 Parsons Ave, Columbus, OH 43215

Monday-Thursday-Friday	7:30 am to 3:30 pm
Tuesday	11 am to 7 pm
Wednesday	7:30 am to 10:30 am

## \*FREE SYPHILIS TESTING DURING THESE HOURS

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*Adapted from: Chicago Department of Public Health "Syphilis is Back" postcard*