

DO YOU KNOW YOUR STATUS?

Rapid HIV Tests
results in one minute...

Rapid Hep C Tests
results in five minutes...

- private
- confidential
- quick
- accurate

Ask at GOSHH
for more information

To make your appointment,
please contact us:

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Gender Orientation

Sexual Health HIV



Rapid HIV & Hep Testing

Your guide to GOSHH

Rapid Testing Service

What is a rapid test?

A Rapid Test is a quick test for HIV or Hepatitis. You will receive your test result within 10 minutes of arriving for your test.

How does a rapid test work?

We do the test by using a small amount of blood. The test results are available immediately.

Do you have to use a needle?

We do not take blood using a needle and syringe. We use a quick pin prick on the end of your finger.

Will anyone know about my test result?

Before you have your test, we will explain about our referral process. You will be asked to sign a consent form.

If your result is negative, we will tell no-one.

If your result is reactive, we will tell the local consultant so you can get any medication you might need.

Apart from that, your test is completely confidential to you. We won't even tell your family or partner unless you ask us to.

How do I book an appointment?

If you want to book a Rapid Test with us then all you need to do is contact us using one of the options on the back of this leaflet. Appointments can be made outside of office hours if necessary.



How much does it cost?

These tests are free.

Where can I get a rapid test?

You can book one in our offices. Or you can attend one of our special testing days. We usually advertise these days through social media, our website and the local newspapers. You might find that we will advertise a testing day somewhere near you.

Do I need a test?

Only you know if you may have been at risk from HIV or Hepatitis. Before you test we will ask you some questions, in private, to find out if you need a test or not.

Generally we work by the rule that it can't do you any harm to test.

Should I get a rapid test?

We always recommend that people use the local Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) clinic to get tested because it is also completely free and confidential and tests for many different infections.



A full sexual health screen tests for many other sexually transmitted infections as well as HIV. If you have been at risk from HIV, then there is a possibility you have been at risk from other STIs. The STI clinic will only test for Hepatitis C if you have a history of injecting drugs.

If, for some reason, you do not wish to test at the local STI clinic, then a rapid test is another option. Talk to anyone at GOSHH to find out all your options for testing for HIV and Hepatitis.

Vision Statement:

“Our vision is to create an environment where the mental, emotional, physical, and social wellbeing of everyone is promoted and sexual rights are respected, protected, and fulfilled”.