

# **Holistic Health Recovery Program**

Client Workbook

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#### Group Six

# **HEALTH CARE PARTICIPATION**

# Skills to Be Learned

- Learning to Be a Positive Participant in Health Care
- Increasing Patient "IQ"
- Improving Skills for Establishing and Maintaining a Partnership with Health Care Providers
- Knowing the Consequences of Non-adherence to Medication Regimens
- Improving Strategies for Identifying and Overcoming Obstacles to Adherence
- Learning Memory Aids for Improving Adherence
- Becoming Knowledgeable about HIV and Hepatitis B and C

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# HHRP<sup>+</sup> Workbook

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# Characteristics of Long-term Survivors of HIV



- A sense of personal responsibility for their health
- A sense that they can influence their own health outcome
- A commitment to life in terms of "unfinished business," unmet goals, or as yet unfulfilled experiences and wishes
- A sense of meaningfulness and purpose in life
- Found new meaning in life as a result of the illness itself
- Engaged in physical fitness—exercise, dietary work
- Derived useful information from, and supportive contact with, a person with the same diagnosis shortly after the diagnosis
- Became altruistically involved with other affected persons
- Accepted the reality of the diagnosis in conjunction with a refusal to perceive the condition of a death sentence
- Developed a personalized means of active coping that they believe has beneficial health effects
- Assertive, able to say "no"
- The ability to withdraw from taxing involvements and to nurture themselves
- Sensitivity to other bodies, including psychological and physical needs
- Ability to communicate openly about their concerns

**Source:** Solomon, Temoshok, O'Leary, & Zich (1987). An intensive psychoimmunologic study of long-surviving persons with AIDS. *Annals of the New York Academy of Science*, 496, 647–655.

#### PREFACE

The goal of HHRP<sup>+</sup> is to help you make certain decisions about your life, especially decisions that can affect your health. Some people who are struggling with addiction and are infected with HIV feel powerless; they think there is nothing they can do to stay healthy, and so continue to use drugs. In fact, there are many things you can do to lead a healthy, fulfilling life. Each chapter in this workbook provides relevant hand-outs and practice exercises. Material is provided in detail to help you to remember the material and to use it in your daily life.

The HHRP+ workbook is for individuals who have entered a treatment facility and have been accepted for membership in HHRP+. HHRP+ membership requires a commitment to reducing harm, promoting health, and improving the quality of life. If you are ready to make this commitment, sign the membership contract on the following page and begin your journey.

# Welcome to HHRP+

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# The Decisional Balance Sheet

(a cost-benefit analysis for following medical recommendations)



TOTAL costs					Perceived Costs
					Importance Rating (0–10)
TOTAL benefits					Perceived <b>Benefits</b>
					Importance Rating (0–10)

Cost:Benefit Ratio =

# HHRP+ MEMBERSHIP CONTRACT

- . I understand that this phase of my treatment program will last \_\_\_\_\_ weeks, and I agree to participate for that length of time. Although I am free to withdraw from the program at any time, I agree to discuss this decision with my counselor prior to taking this action.
- 2. I agree to attend all group and individual sessions (if they are offered in my facility), to be on time, and to bring my Client Workbook with me to each session. I will also call if I am going to be late.
- 3. I agree not to disclose the identity of any other HHRP<sup>+</sup> member, nor will I disclose the details of any personal information revealed by other HHRP<sup>+</sup> members during groups.
- 4. I understand that this treatment is intended for people who are committed to being abstinent from all illicit drugs, and who want learn how to make healthy lifestyle choices. I understand that I must work hard on my recovery in order for this program to be helpful to me.
- 5. I understand that I will be expected to openly discuss with my counselor any other behavior that may risk my health or the health of others, including unsafe sexual behavior and sharing of drug paraphernalia ("works").
- 6. I understand that HHRP+ recommends a team approach to my treatment. If possible, I will involve my "significant other," friend, or family member in my recovery—someone who is willing to help me with my recovery plan outside of this treatment program, and I agree to permit my counselor to communicate with this person and with my other health care providers for the purpose of coordinating my treatment.

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Date -	Date -

# Congratulations, you have been accepted for membership in HHRP<sup>+</sup>.

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# Medication Adherence Game Worksheet

Instructions: Patient Pat has been prescribed the following medications.

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(D) Erythromycin	Viracept (Nelfinavir Mesylate)	Viramune (Nivirapine)	DDI (Didanosine)	Medication
1 pill 4 times a day	3 tablets 3 times a day	1 tablet twice a day	2 tablets twice a day	Instructions for Use
Do not eat 2 hours before or 2 hours after taking	Take with a meal		Take a half-hour before a full meal	Special Instructions

# Facts to know about Patient Pat:

Pat usually gets up at around 6:00 in the morning and goes to the clinic for methadone at 6:30. Pat usually eats 2 meals a day—breakfast at around 7:30 am, after returning from the methadone clinic, and dinner at around 6:30 pm. Pat works as a retail clerk from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, sometimes goes out in the evening with friends, and goes to bed at around midnight. Two nights a week Pat bowls on a bowling league from 8:00 pm to 10 pm.

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Phone:
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# Medication Adherence Game Worksheet

Using the letters A, B, C, D to represent the prescribed medications, create Pat's daily medication schedule below (No. = number of pills).

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# **Family Information Sheet**



Sisters' Names	Brothers' Names	Grandchildren's Names	Children's Names
Age	Age	Age	Age
Date of Birth	Date of Birth	Date of Birth	Date of Birth

# Medical Information Sheet (keep updated)



Patient Name		Telephone No.	Vo
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# **Education/Employment History**



School Name	Dates Attended	Diploma/Degree
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# Medical Information Sheet

## Other Drugs Used

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# My Social Support Network



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# **Medical Language Statement**



Being a **positive participant** involves taking responsibility for your health. In order to maintain or improve your physical health, you need to be well-informed about the effects of drug use and unsafe sexual practices on your health, so that you can make choices that will protect your health.

The materials in this section contain important information about HIV, Hepatitis B (HBV), and Hepatitis C (HCV), as well as other diseases that occur at high rates among drug users, their sex partners, and their children.

In order for this section to be as helpful as possible, it contains a number of medical terms that doctors and other health care professionals may use with their patients and when talking among themselves about these disorders. Some of these terms may be unfamiliar to you, and you may also find some difficult to read and pronounce. If this is the case, we encourage you to speak with your health care provider, counselor, or someone who is knowledgeable about the subject, and to become informed regarding the meaning and use of these terms. This could make your discussion with your health care providers much more productive and meaningful for you.

Remember that taking responsibility for your health means developing a high **Patient IQ**. "IQ" stands for Inform and Question: you need to **Inform** yourself about issues that trouble you; **Inform** your health care provider of your problems and concerns; and ask **Questions** of those who provide medical services to you.

# **Addresses and Telephone Numbers**

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### HIV/AIDS



The human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) is the virus that causes AIDS. It is estimated that between 650,000 to 900,000 people in this country are now infected with HIV and approximately 40,000 new infections occur every year.

More than one third of all AIDS cases reported in the United States are directly or indirectly associated with drug use.

HIV is passed from one person to another through blood-to-blood and sexual contact. In addition, infected pregnant women can pass HIV to their babies during pregnancy or delivery, as well as through breast feeding. HIV causes AIDS and most people with HIV infection will develop AIDS as a result of their HIV infection. AIDS is life-threatening because the immune system of someone with AIDS has lost the ability to defend itself against life-threatening cancers and other infections.

HIV is not spread by casual contact or insect bites. Only the following body fluids have been proven to spread HIV:

Blood Semen Vaginal fluid

Breast milk

Getting tested

The blood tests commonly used to detect HIV infection actually determine whether antibodies have been produced by your body to fight HIV. Antibodies are produced by your immune system in response to infection, so you would only have these particular HIV antibodies if in fact you had been infected.

## The window period

The period of time between when you were infected with HIV and when antibodies can be detected is called the "window period." During this window period, your HIV test result may be negative when in fact you are actually HIV-positive. **Most people will develop detectable antibodies within 3 months after infection.**The average window period is about three weeks. In rare cases, it can take up to 6 months.

It is therefore recommended that you get tested 6 months after the last possible exposure (unprotected vaginal, anal, or oral sex or sharing needles).

# Addresses and Telephone Numbers

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### HIV / AIDS

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It is very important to **get tested regularly** and to learn your test results because medications are now available that may keep you healthier longer. The less time that HIV has to multiply in your body, the better your chances for managing the disease and the more likely you can prevent transmission of HIV to your drug and sexual partners and to your partner's children.

Do not confuse HIV testing with prevention. Some people who are not well-informed think that they do not need to change their behavior if they continue to test negative for HIV. This is not true.

If you engage in any of the behaviors we just discussed with someone who has been infected, you are at risk for infection. There is no way to prevent transmission except through your own behavior. You are in control.

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Name:

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# Interpreting your test results

If you test negative:

positive, but your immune system has not yet developed detectible antibodies. However, if you still test negative six months after the last time you engaged in any high risk behavior, then you can feel assured that you have not been infected. Do not assume that because you tested negative, that your partner must also be negative. HIV is not necessarily transmitted every time there is exposure. So, for example, you could have had unprotected sex or shared drug paraphernalia with an HIV-positive partner without having become infected on that particular occasion. However, if you engage in high risk behavior again with this person you could still be at risk unless your partner also tested negative 6 months after his or her most recent high risk behavior.

### If you test positive:

Depending on how much of the virus you have and the strength of your immune system, your doctor may prescribe some medications that will help you to stay healthy longer. **There is no cure.** If you engaged in high risk behavior any time after you were infected, you could have infected your partners or have become reinfected with a strain of the virus that does not respond well to medications. That's why it is so important for everyone to get tested. The sooner you know that you have been infected, the sooner you can begin treatment, and the sooner you can stop the spread of HIV to others.

Some people believe that they don't have to worry about getting HIV any more because they think that it can be cured with medication. THIS IS NOT TRUE. The truth is that despite medical advances, HIV remains a very serious disease that requires costly, and often complicated, treatment regimens that may slow the disease, but do not cure it.

# **Project Time Management Sheet**



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# Prevent Hepatitis B: Get Vaccinated



Hepatitis B is a serious disease caused by the hepatitis B virus (HBV) that attacks the liver and can be spread to others.

# Is hepatitis B a serious problem?

Yes. Each year, thousands of people of all ages get hepatitis B and about 5,000 die of chronic (life-long) liver problems caused by HBV infection. If you have had other types of hepatitis, such as hepatitis A or hepatitis C, you can still get hepatitis B.

# How is hepatitis B spread?

- HBV is spread by contact with the blood of an infected person or by having sex with an infected person
- A woman who has hepatitis B can spread the virus to her baby during birth.
- HBV is spread by contact with the blood of an infected person or by having sex with an infected person

# You cannot get HBV from:

- sneezing or coughing
- kissing or hugging
- sharing eating utensils of drinking glasses
- breast feeding
- food or water
- casual contact (such as an office setting)

# How do you know if you have hepatitis B?

Only a blood test can tell for sure. See your doctor if you have symptoms of hepatitis (e.g., tiredness, stomach ache, joint pain, yellow skin or eyes), or if you think you have had direct contact with someone who has hepatitis B.

It is very important that all pregnant women get a blood test for hepatitis B early in their pregnancy, since a woman who has hepatitis B can spread the virus to her baby during birth.

# How can you protect yourself from getting infected with HBV?

### Get vaccinated!

Hepatitis B vaccine is safe, effective, and your best protection.

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# Prevent Hepatitis B: Get Vaccinated

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# Practice "safer" sex.

If you are having sex, but not with one steady partner, use latex condoms correctly every time you have sex and get vaccinated against hepatitis B. Men who have sex with men should be vaccinated against both hepatitis A and hepatitis B.

# Don't share anything that might have blood on it.

Never share anything that might have blood on it, such as a razor or toothbrush.

syringes, cookers, cottons, water, or rinse cups. Get vaccinated against hepatitis A and If you shoot drugs, get help to stop or get into a treatment program. Don't share needles.

- Think about the health risks if you are planning to get a tattoo or body piercing disposable gloves, and wash hands properly. You can get infected if the artist or piercer doesn't sterilize needles and equipment, use
- Follow standard precautions.

If you are a health-care worker, follow standard precautions and handle needles and sharps safely. Get vaccinated against hepatitis B.

# Get hepatitis B vaccine if:

- your sex partner has hepatitis B
- you are a man who has sex with men
- you have had a sexually transmitted disease (e.g. gonorrhea, syphilis)
- you have sex with more than one partner
- you shoot drugs
- you live with someone who has life-long hepatitis B
- you have a job that exposes you to human blood
- you are a kidney dialysis patient
- you live or travel for more than six months in countries where hepatitis B is common

# Everyone under 19 years old should get vaccinated against hepatitis B!

# Is the vaccine safe?

worldwide since 1982. You do not need booster shots after you complete the three-shot vaccine series. Yes. Hepatitis B vaccine is safe and effective. Millions of people have received the vaccine

# Should you get a blood test after the three shot vaccine series to be sure that you are protected?

Most people don't need to get their blood tested after getting the vaccine.

You should get a blood test 1 to 2 months after you complete the series if:

- your sex partner has chronic hepatitis B
- your immune system is not working well (i.e., you are on dialysis or you have AIDS)
- you have a job that exposes you to human blood

Babies born to infected mothers should get their blood tested at 9 to 15 months old

to be sure that they are protected.

# **Current Medical Information**



Dates of hospitalizations:	
Treatments received:	
Surgery:	
Surgeon:	

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# **Hepatitis C Prevention**



Almost 4 million Americans are infected with hepatitis C virus.

# What is hepatitis C?

Hepatitis C is a liver disease caused by the hepatitis C virus (HCV), which is found in the blood of persons who have this disease. The infection is spread by contact with the blood of an infected person.

# How serious is hepatitis C?

Date of illness:

Type of illness:

Hepatitis C is serious for some persons, but not for others. Most persons who get hepatitis C carry the virus for the rest of their lives. Most of these persons have some liver damage but many do not feel sick from the disease. Some persons with liver damage due to hepatitis C may develop cirrhosis (scarring) of the liver and liver failure which may take many years to develop.

# How can I protect myself from getting hepatitis C?

HCV is spread primarily by exposure to human blood.

- Don't ever shoot drugs! If you shoot drugs, stop and get into a treatment program. If you can't stop, use a clean needle and works every time and don't share them.
- Practice safer sex. If you have sex with multiple partners, lower your number of partners and always use barrier precautions, such as latex condoms.
- If you are a health care worker, always follow routine barrier precautions and safely handle needles and other sharps.
- Do not share toothbrushes, razors, or other personal care articles. They might have blood on them.

# Hepatitis C is not spread by:

- sneezing
- hugging
- coughing
- sharing eating utensils or drinking glasses
- food or water
- casual contact

# **Past Medical History**



Treatments:	Family history:	Drug allergies:	Lifetime illnesses/injuries:
Provider:			

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# **Hepatitis C Prevention**

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# Could I already have hepatitis C?

Ask your doctor for a blood test for hepatitis C if:

- you received a blood transfusion or solid organ transplant (e.g., kidney, liver, heart) before 1992.
- you were treated with a blood product for clotting problems before 1987.
- you ever injected street drugs, even once.
- you were ever on long-term kidney dialysis.

# Why should I be tested for hepatitis C?

Early diagnosis is important so you can be:

- counseled about how to prevent transmission of HCV to others.
- checked for liver disease and get treatment, if indicated.

Many people who are at risk for hepatitis C are at risk for hepatitis A and hepatitis B. Check with your doctor to see if you should get hepatitis A and hepatitis B vaccines.

There is no vaccine to prevent hepatitis C.

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and National Institute on Drug Abuse (NIDA), NIH Publication Number 00-4812, printed September 2000.

# **Medications List**

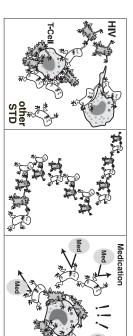


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Medications											
Reason to take											
Instructions											
Dosage / times per day											

# **STDs and Infectious Disease**



Detection and Treatment of STDs can reduce HIV Transmission



HIV-negative people are 2-5 times more likely to become infected with HIV when other STD's are present

If you are are already infected with HIV, and have other STD's, you are more likely to spread HIV to someone else.

Having an STD can reduce the effectiveness of HIV treatment.
HIV may progress more rapidly

reduce HIV transmission. So, be informed. Be a positive participant in your prevented and treated. Detection and treatment of STDs can substantially of HIV-treatment and contribute to HIV disease progression. So, there are makes you even more infectious—you are more likely to spread HIV to easy target. If you are already infected with HIV, having another STD entry. Even if the STD does not cause lesions, they increase the number of other STDs are present. Furthermore, people infected with HIV are more transmission and, conversely, that STD treatment reduces the spread of own health care. someone else—and in addition, having an STD can reduce the effectiveness because STDs that cause genital lesions make it easier for HIV to gain very good reasons for everyone to be tested regularly for STDs. STDs can be HIV-target cells in genital secretions and therefore provide HIV with an HIV. People are 2–5 times more likely to become infected with HIV when likely to infect their partners if either one of them also has an STD. This is There is now strong evidence that other STDs increase the risk of HIV

# Monthly Expenditures



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of Purchase										
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**STDs and Infectious Disease** 

# COCAINE USE Increases the Risk of STD Transmission

### COCAINE use can lead to:

- greater frequency of unprotected sex
- selling sex to get cocaine or money
- weakening of the immune system
- difficulty in reaching sexual climax, prolonging intercourse thus increasing chance for cuts and abrasions and blood to blood contact

Amount

# Decrease your risk of HIV, HBV, HCV and other STD's by:

- getting off drugs

If you can't get off drugs.

- never share needles or "works"
- People often have more sex when they use cocaine, and they often forget to wear latex condoms or to ask their partner to wear a condom.
- Some people sell sex to get cocaine or to get money for cocaine. This may mean they have more sex or unprotected sex.
- Crack and cocaine may weaken the immune system, making it easier to get HIV, HBV, HCV, and other STDs.
- Crack and cocaine often make it difficult to reach sexual climax. This may sion of HIV, HBV, HCV, and other STDs. abrasions, which could result in blood-to-blood contact and the transmislead to prolonged intercourse and increased chances for getting cuts and
- If you are a crack or cocaine user, you can decrease your chances of getting HIV, HBV, HCV, or other STDs by getting off drugs. If you can't get off sure to use latex condoms. drugs, don't share needles or "works." In addition, when having sex be

to injection has been shown to reduce the occurrence of cellulitis, injection and hepatitis B and C. Use of alcohol swabs to clean the injection site prior site abscesses, and, possibly, endocarditis among persons who inject drugs. People who inject drugs are at risk for other serious infections, besides HIV

#### $\mathbf{Bills}$



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Amount Paid										

### **Endocarditis**

# (Bacterial Endocarditis; Infective Endocarditis)



### Basic information

#### Description

(lining of the heart chambers or valves). A noncontagious infection involving the heart muscle, heart valves, endocardium

# Frequent signs and symptoms

### Early symptoms:

- Fatigue and weakness.
- Intermittent fever, chills and excessive sweating, especially at night.
- Weight loss.
- Vague aches and pains.
- Heart murmur.

### Late symptoms:

- Severe chills and high fever.
- Shortness of breath on exertion.
- Swelling of the feet, legs and abdomen.
- Rapid or irregular heartbeat.

#### Causes

heart valves, muscles and linings. persons with damaged skin (See risks below). Bacteria or fungi further damage the Bacteria or fungi that enter the blood and infect the valves and heart lining of

## Risk increases with

Risk of heart-valve damage increases with:

- Rheumatic fever.
- Congenital heart disease.

# Risk of endocarditis following heart valve damage increases with:

- Pregnancy.
- Injections of contaminated materials into the bloodstream, such as with self-administered intravenous drugs.
- Excess alcohol consumption.
- Use of Immunosuppressive drugs.
- Artificial heart valves.

# Safety Checklist



Turn down heat

Other	Other	Other	Lock the door	Take a condom/bleach kit	Take your house keys	Take your wallet/purse	Take your watch	Close windows	Turn off iron/hair dryer and other small appliances	Turn off stereo	Turn off television	Turn off lights	Turn off stove/oven

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### **Endocarditis**

(Bacterial Endocarditis; Infective Endocarditis)
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# Preventive measures

If you have heart-valve damage or a heart murmur

- Request antibiotics before medical procedures that may introduce bacteria into the blood. These include dental work, childbirth and surgery of the urinary or gastrointestinal tract.
- Don't drink more than 1-2 if any alcoholic drinks in 1 day.
- Consult medical professional before becoming pregnant.
- Don't use illicit drugs like heroin or cocaine.

### Expected outcome

Usually curable with early diagnosis and treatment, but recovery may take weeks. If treatment is delayed, heart function deteriorates, resulting in congestive heart failure and death.

# Possible complications

- Blood clots that may travel to the brain, kidneys or abdominal organs, causing infections, abscesses or stroke.
- Heart-rhythm disturbances (atrial fibrillation is most common).

#### **Treatment**

### General measures

Diagnostic tests may include laboratory blood counts and blood cultures, electrocardiogram (method of diagnosing heart diseases by measuring electrical activity of the heart), X-rays of the heart and lungs, including echocardiogram (studying the heart by examining sound waves created by an instrument placed on the chest).

- The goal of treatment is to eradicate the infecting organism with medications, and supportive care for relieving symptoms.
- Hospital care during acute phase. Once stable, some patients can continue with treatment at home.
- Surgery to replace infected valve in some patients.
- If you have damaged heart valves, tell any doctor or dentist before any treatment or procedure. Preventive antibiotics will be needed in some situations.
- Ongoing dental hygiene is important to prevent infection.
- Once you have had endocarditis, stay under a doctor's care to prevent a relapse.
- Wear a medical alert type bracelet or neck tag that indicates your medical problem. Carry a wallet card listing the antibiotic regimens needed for medical and dental procedure.

# Other Personal Information



## Health Care Participation

### **Endocarditis**

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#### Medication

Antibiotics for many weeks to fight infection. Antibiotic treatment is often intravenous.

#### Activity

- Rest in bed until you are fully recovered. While in bed, flex your legs often to prevent clots from forming.
- Resume your normal activities, including sexual relations, when strength allows.

#### Diet

No special diet.

### Notify our office if

You or a family member has symptoms of endocarditis.

The following occur during or after treatment:

• Weight gain without diet changes.

- Blood in the urine.
- Chest pain or shortness of breath.
- Sudden weakness or numbness in the muscles of the face, trunk, or limbs.
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## Health Care Participation

# Cirrhosis of the Liver



### Basic information

#### Description

Chronic scarring of the liver, leading to loss of normal liver function. It is twice as children. common in men as in women. Congenital cirrhosis can affect infants or young

# Frequent signs and symptoms

#### Early stages:

- Fatigue, weakness.
- Poor appetite: nausea; weight loss
- Enlarged liver.
- Red palms.

#### Late stages:

- Jaundice (yellow skin and eyes).
- Dark yellow or brown urine. Spider blood vessels of the skin (fine vessels that spread out from a central
- Hair loss. point).
- Fluid accumulation in the abdomen and legs. Enlarged spleen.

Breast enlargement in men.

- Diarrhea; stool may be black or bloody.
- Bleeding and bruising.
- Mental confusion, coma.

#### Causes

Hepatitis.

Prolonged, excess alcohol consumption.

regeneration and scarring. These may be preceded by:

Inflammation of the liver, accompanied by destruction of liver cells, cell

- Exposure to toxic chemical
- Inherited causes.

## Risk increases with

- Poor nutrition.
- Hepatitis.
- Excess alcohol consumption. Individuals vary widely in the amount and duration of alcohol consumption necessary to cause cirrhosis.
- Occupational exposure to chemicals toxic to the liver.

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## Health Care Participation

# Cirrhosis of the Liver

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# Preventive measures

- Obtain treatment for alcoholism.
- Obtain prompt medical treatment for hepatitis. Survey your work environment for possible exposure to toxic chemicals.

# Possible complications

- Cirrhosis can be arrested if the underlying cause can be removed. Liver damage is possible if treated early and treatment succeeds. is irreversible, but symptoms can be relieved or controlled. A near-normal life
- If the underlying cause is not removed, liver scarring will continue, resulting in death from liver failure.

### General measures

- Life-threatening hemorrhage, especially from the esophagus and stomach.
- Liver cancer.
- Body poisoning and coma from a buildup of ammonia and other body waste.
- Sexual impotence.

#### Treatment

### General measures

- Diagnostic tests may include laboratory studies, such as blood and urine tests of liver function, X-ray and/or biopsy of liver.
- Treatment methods may include drug treatment, dietary restrictions, rest and other supportive measures.
- If cirrhosis is caused by alcoholism, stop drinking. Ask for help from family, your community. friends and community agencies. Contact an Alcoholics Anonymous group in
- Additional Information available from the American Liver Foundation Suite 603 75 Maiden Lane

New York, NY 10038

(800) GO-Liver (465-4837) toll-free

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#### Medication

Diuretics to reduce fluid retention.

Iron supplements for anemia resulting from or poor nutrition.

- Antibiotics, such as neomycin, to reduce ammonia buildup.
- Stool softeners.

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Health Care Participation

### Cirrhosis of the Liver (page three)

#### Activity

- Maintain as active a life as possible.
- Elevate swollen feet and legs when resting.

#### Diet

- In the early stages, eat a well-balanced diet that is high in carbohydrates, high in protein and low in salt.
- Late stages may require protein reduction.
- Don't drink alcohol. Vitamin and mineral supplements may be necessary.

### Notify our office if

- You or a family member has symptoms of cirrhosis.
- Vomiting blood or passing black stool.

The following occur during treatment:

- Mental confusion or coma. Fever or other signs of infection (redness, swelling, tenderness or pain).
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## Health Care Participation

### Cellulitis



### Basic information

#### Description

A noncontagious infection of connective tissue beneath the skin. It can affect skin anywhere on the body, but most likely on the face or lower legs. Erysipelas is the name of a severe cellulitis of the face.

# Frequent signs and symptoms

- Sudden tenderness, swelling, and redness in an area of the skin. The area of cellulitis is initially 5cm to 20cm in diameter, and grows rapidly in the first 24 hours. A thin, red line often extends from the middle of the cellulitis toward the
- Fever, sometimes accompanied by chills and sweats. heart. Cellulitis does not develop into a boil.
- General ill feeling.
- Swollen lymph glands near the cellulitis (sometimes).

Infection from Staphylococcus or Streptococcus bacteria.

## Risk increases with

Use of immunosuppressive or cortisone drugs.

- Chronic illness, such as diabetes mellitus, or a recent infection that has lowered resistance.
- Any injury that breaks the skin, or underlying skin lesion.
- Intravenous drug use.
- Burns.
- Surgical wound.
- Diabetes mellitus.
- Immunosuppression due to illness or medications

# Preventive measures

- Avoid skin damage. Use protective clothing or gear if you participate in strenuous work or sports.
- Keep the skin clean.
- Avoid swimming if you have skin lesion

### Expected outcome

disease or is receiving immunosuppressant treatment; in that case, cellulitis may Usually curable in 7 to 10 days with treatment, unless the patient has a chronic lead to blood poisoning and become life threatening.

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## Health Care Participation

### Cellulitis

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# Possible complications

Blood poisoning, if bacteria enter the bloodstream.

Brain infection or meningitis, if cellulitis occurs on the central part of the face.

#### **Treatment**

### General measures

- For diagnosis, laboratory studies or a skin biopsy may be recommended.
- The usual treatment is with an antibiotic.
- Use warm-water soaks to hasten healing and relieve pain and inflammation. If excess fluid is lost from the skin, hospitalization may be necessary to provide
- Elevation and restricted movement of the affected area can help reduce adequate hydration. swelling.

#### Medication

disappear quickly. Antibiotics to fight infection. Finish the prescribed dose, even if symptoms

# Rest in bed until fever disappears and other symptoms improve. Resume your

normal activities as soon as symptoms improve.

No special diet.

### Notify our office if

Headache or vomiting. Fever.

The following occur during treatment:

You or a family member has symptoms of cellulitis, especially on the face.

- Drowsiness and lethargy.
- Blister over the area of cellulitis.
- Red streaks that continue to extend, despite treatment.
- New, unexplained symptoms develop. Drugs used in the treatment may produce side effects.
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## Health Care Participation

## Osteomyelitis



### Basic information

#### Description

Infection of the bone and bone marrow. It can involve any bone in the body. In a child, the femur (upper-leg bone), tibia (lower-leg bone) or humerus or radius (bones in the arm) is usually affected. In an adult, the pelvis or spine is usually affected. It can affect both sexes and all ages, but is more common in rapidly

# Frequent signs and symptoms

growing children (5 to 14 years), especially males.

- Fever. Sometimes this is the only symptom.
- Pain, swelling, redness, warmth and tenderness in the area over the infected bone, especially when moving a near by joint. Nearby joints, especially the knee, may also be red, warm and swollen.
- If a child is too young to talk, signs of pain are reluctance to move an arm or leg or refusal to walk; limping; or screaming when the limb is touched or
- osteomyelitis only).

moved.

Pus drainage through a skin abscess, without fever or severe pain (chronic

General ill feeling.

#### Causes

sources.

bacteria may spread to the bone through the bloodstream from the following

Usually staphylococcal infection, but many other bacteria may be responsible. The

Compound fracture or other injury.Boil, carbuncle or any break in the skin.

- Middle-ear infection.
- Pneumonia.

## Risk increases with

- Illness that has lowered resistance.
- Rapid growth during childhood.
- Diabetes mellitus.
- Implanted orthopedic device (artificial knee).
- Intravenous drug use.

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## Health Care Participation

#### Osteomyelitis (page two)

# Preventive measures

bone or other body parts. Obtain prompt medical treatment of any bacterial infection to prevent its spread to

### Expected outcome

Usually curable with prompt and aggressive treatment.

- Possible complications Abscess that breaks through the skin and won't heal until the underlying bone
- Permanent stiffness in a nearby joint (rare)
- Fracture.
- May require amputation if circulation is blocked or severe gangrene infection Loosening of implanted orthopedic device

#### Treatment

occurs (rare).

### General measures

- Diagnostic tests may include laboratory blood studies and blood cultures to don't show changes until 2 to 3 weeks after the infection begins. identify the bacteria, radionuclide bone scan, CT or MRI scans. X-rays often
- Keep the involved limb level or slightly elevated and immobilized with Treatment involves medications, rest and other supportive measures.
- Keep unaffected parts of the body as active as possible to prevent pressure pillows. Don't let it dangle.
- Hospitalization may be necessary for surgery to remove pockets of infected bone, and/or to administer high doses of antibiotics sometimes intravenously. sores during required, prolonged bed rest.
- A previously implanted orthopedic device (artificial, knee) may need to be removed (sometimes a replacement can be implanted at the same time).

#### Medication

- Large doses of antibiotics. With powerful new antibiotics, intravenous necessary, either orally or by injection for 8 to 10 weeks. administration, once a necessity, may no longer be needed. Antibiotics may be
- Pain relievers.
- Laxatives, if constipation develops during prolonged bed rest.

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## Health Care Participation

#### Osteomyelitis (page three)

#### Activity

activities gradually. Rest in bed until 2 to 3 weeks after symptoms disappear. Resume your normal

supplements if needed. No special diet. Eat a nutritionally balanced diet. Take vitamin and mineral

Notify our office if
You or your child has symptoms of osteomyelitis.

- The following occur during treatment: An abscess forms over the infected bone, or drainage from an existing abscess increases.
- Fever.
- Pain becomes intolerable.
  New unexplained symptoms develop. Drugs used in treatment may produce side effects.
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## Healthy Lifestyle Choices

# **Stress Management**



Relaxation techniques decrease the negative health consequences of stress.

Menu of relaxation techniques to try:

Visualization/guided imagery

**Progressive Muscle Relaxation (PMR)** 

Deep breathing

The Relaxing Sigh

Positive affirmations

**Autogenic training** 

Meditation

Relaxation techniques are available commercially on audio and video tape, or you can create your own. Books are available at your library and book

relaxation technique. You should notice results within two weeks. Relaxation takes practice. Devote at least 15 minutes twice daily to your

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## Healthy Lifestyle Choices

### Exercise



Moderate exercise may strengthen your immune system, increase your energy level and self-esteem, and decrease stress and anxiety.

Menu of exercises to try (in moderation):

Gentle stretching

Brisk walking

Swimming

Weight training

Yoga

Tai Chi

Cycling

Skipping rope

**Dancing** 

Never exercise to the point of exhaustion.

Check with your health care provider before beginning any exercise program.

or at least 15 minutes:	This week I commit to do the following exercise daily at
(exercise)	(time)

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### Healthy Lifestyle Choices

Sleep



- Establish a sleep schedule. Go to bed and get up at around the same time each day.
- 2. Get sufficient sleep. Healthy adults require eight to eight-and-a-half hours of sleep per night.
- Use your bedroom only for sleeping or sleep-related activities
- Create a sleep-promoting environment. Your bedroom should be cool, quiet, and without any bright light shining in the windows.

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- 5. Don't drink alcohol or caffeinated beverages within six hours of bedtime and don't smoke immediately before going to bed.
- **6.** Have a glass of milk or light carbohydrate snack before bed-time.
- 7. Relax for at least 30 minutes before bedtime.
- **8.** If you are not asleep within 30 minutes, get up and engage in a quiet activity until you feel sleepy.
- Exercise regularly, but not right before bedtime.

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10. If you take a nap during the day, do not sleep for more than 30 minutes, and don't nap after 3 p.m.

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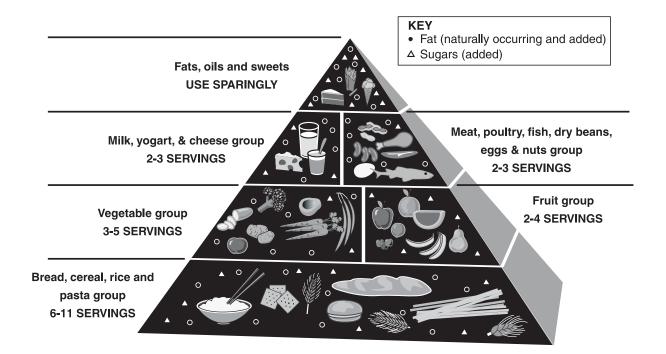
Consult your health care provider if your sleep problems persist.

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# Healthy Lifestyle Choices

# **Nutrition and HIV**



# Getting the Benefits of Good Nutrition

Good nutrition is important for everyone. But it's essential for people infected with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV). This virus affects the body's ability to fight infection and causes AIDS (acquired immunodeficiency syndrome).

One of the key components of treatment for HIV infection is a nutritious diet. Timing is important—the sooner good nutrition starts, the more successful you can be at staying healthier. Eating enough of the right balance of foods may help prevent weight loss and fatigue, improve comfort and sense of well-being, and contribute to quality of life.

This booklet presents information you can use to plan a healthy diet. It also suggests ways to help you overcome eating problems resulting from your illness or medical treatment.

# **Building a Nutritious Diet**

Protein, carbohydrate, fat, vitamins, minerals, and water are the nutrients needed to maintain body functions. A diet containing the right balance of these nutrients promotes health and well-being. Use the following general guidelines to plan a diet that gives your body enough of these nutrients.

Fat and lactose (milk sugar) can be hard to digest. If you begin experiencing nausea or diarrhea, cut back on fat and/or lactose until symptoms improve. And remember, try different foods to find out which ones agree with you; everyone responds differently to various foods and to the same food from one time it's eaten to the next.

#### very day..

- Drink two cups or more of lowfat milk or buttermilk, or substitute two or three servings of lowfat cheese, cottage cheese, yogurt, ice cream, custard, or pudding made with milk.
- Eat two or more 2- to 3-ounce servings of lean meat or other foods containing protein, such as eggs, fish, poultry, dried beans and peas, peanut butter, and nuts and seeds.
- Eat or drink two or more half-cup servings of fresh, frozen, or canned fruit or fruit juice. At least one of the servings should be a citrus fruit or juice. Wash fresh fruit thoroughly before cooking or eating.
- Eat three or more half-cup servings of vegetables. At least one serving should be a dark-green, leafy vegetable or a yellow vegetable. Wash fresh vegetables thoroughly before cooking or eating.
- Eat six or more servings of bread or other baked goods, cereal, rice, pasta, or grain products
- Eat other foods such as desserts, margarine, condiments, and beverages when you want them. These foods add flavor, variety, and calories to your diet.

**Power-Packing Your Diet**Increasing the calorie and protein content of your diet is a good habit to start right now.
For other ways to boost calories and protein without increasing serving sizes, try the follow-

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**Healthy Lifestyle Choices** 

ing suggestions. You may need to modify them if you're having a problem with diarrhea, fat, or lactose intolerance (see "Solving Problems").

### To add calories...

- In cooking, use heavy cream, whole milk, or evaporated whole milk instead of water whenever possible.
- Top baked potatoes, vegetables, and fruits with sour cream. One tablespoon adds about 30 Calories.
- Use butter or margarine on hot foods such as toast, vegetables, cooked cereals, and rice. One teaspoon adds about 35 Calories.
- Spread bagels and toast with cream cheese. One tablespoon adds about 50 Calories.
- Eat fruits canned in heavy syrup. Stir canned fruit into yogurt or use it to top cereal and ice cream and other desserts.
- Sweeten toast, cereals, and fruits with sugar, jelly, and honey

### To add protein...

- Make "double-strength milk" by adding nonfat dry milk powder to regular whole milk.
   Chill well before drinking to enhance the flavor. Use double-strength milk in cooking and for milkshakes.
- Add grated cheese to cream sauces, casseroles, and vegetables. One ounce of American cheese contains approximately seven grams (g) of protein.
- Serve cottage cheese with canned fruit. One-half cup of cottage cheese provides about 15 g of protein.
- Have peanut butter with an apple, banana, or pear; spread it on crackers; or use it as a sandwich spread with jelly, jam, or preserves. One tablespoon of peanut butter provides about 95 Calories and four g of protein.
- Blend finely chopped hard-cooked eggs into sauces, soups, and casseroles. One large egg provides about seven 7 g of protein. Don't eat raw or soft-cooked ("sunny-side up") eggs or foods containing raw eggs.

# To add complete nutrition... There's an alternative strategy

There's an alternative strategy for adding calories and protein, as well as carbohydrates, fat, vitamins, and minerals, when your nutritional intake is less than ideal. Advera® Specialized, Complete Nutrition is a nutritional product specifically designed for people with H1V infection or AIDS. Advera is high in calories to meet the body's increased need for them. It's also high in protein and low in fat, and has fiber to maintain normal bowel function. Advera may be the answer when you...

- Don't feel like eating.
- Don't have the time or energy to fix a balanced meal
- Are consistently not eating enough of the right kinds of foods and recognize the need for good nutrition.

Consult your physician regarding your specific needs.

Advera® is available in chocolate, vanilla and orange cream flavors. It tastes best chilled

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# **Nutrition and HIV**

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# Preventing Illness Caused by Improper Food Handling

Guard against food-borne illnesses. When your immune system is suppressed, your body becomes less effective at fighting bacteria that can grow in improperly handled foods. Foodborne illnesses are preventable when food is stored, prepared, and served properly. The following guidelines can help you lower your risk of food-borne illnesses.

- food at room temperature for more than two hours. Store foods at safe temperatures—cold food below 40° F, hot food above 140°F. Don't leave
- Thaw frozen food in a refrigerator or defrost in a microwave oven. Don't thaw food at room temperature.
- Buy foods in amounts that can be eaten before they spoil. Never use food you think may wrap, or aluminum foil to protect opened foods. Refrigerate or freeze perishable items as soon as possible. Use airtight containers, plastic
- Wash your hands thoroughly with warm, soapy water before handling or eating food

be spoiled. Don't use cans with bulges or those with leaks or dents along the seams.

- Wash fresh fruits and vegetables before eating or cooking them.
- raw and cooked foods. Wash all food preparation utensils in hot, soapy water. Use a cutting board made of plastic or marble, not wood. Use separate cutting boards for
- fish dishes, such as sushi. Thoroughly cook meat, fish, poultry, and eggs. Don't eat raw meat, raw seafood, or raw
- from improper food handling. Use prepackaged, processed meats and cheeses instead. Avoid luncheon meats and cheeses from the deli case; they may contain harmful bacteria
- Use only pasteurized milk products.
- Heat leftovers thoroughly to an internal temperature of 165°F.

## Solving Problems

fruits, peanut butter or cheese with crackers, yogurt, and nuts and seeds. Eat well when you feel well. Keep high-calorie snacks (see pages 4 and 5, "Power-Packing Your Diet") available for when your appetite is good—for example, raisins and other dried

Sometimes you may have symptoms that interfere with eating. The following suggestions will help you meet nutritional needs, conserve energy or soothe an upset stomach during these times.

### When you're tired...

Accept friends' and relatives' offers to help prepare food

Take advantage of the nutritious meals available in the frozen-food section of your grocery

- Freeze leftovers and extra portions for later
- ery services offered by many restaurants. Check into home food-delivery services such as "Meals on Wheels" or carry-out and deliv-
- Use Advera® as an oral supplement or meal replacement when you can't prepare or eat a

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**Healthy Lifestyle Choices** 

#### When you're nauseated...

- Wait until you feel better to eat full meals. Eat small, frequent meals rather than three large ones.
- Sip cool beverages, such as clear fruit juices and drinks and carbonated beverages (ginger ale, lemon-lime). Eat fruit ices, dry toast (if your mouth and/or throat is sore, dunk toast in juice or tea to soften), or crackers to calm your stomach.
- Choose bland foods that are not greasy or too sweet, such as broth with crackers, gelatin with fruit, and apple juice.
- Eat cold main courses—chicken salad instead of hot fried chicken, for example. Stay out of the kitchen when food is being prepared, and eat in well-ventilated areas. The smell of food or cooking can add to feelings of nausea.
- Ask your doctor about medicine to control nausea

#### When you have diarrhea...

- Consider using a rehydration product such as EquaLYTE® Enteral Rehydration Solution that provides needed electrolytes and fluid to prevent dehydration. Beverages such as fruit juices (apricot and pear nectar, apple juice) or Popsicles® and gelatin can be used for additional fluids.
- Drink liquids between meals rather than with meals.
- Because they can make diarrhea worse, decrease or avoid foods and drinks that contain
  fat, such as cream, sour cream, cream sauce, luncheon meats, bacon, sausage, regular
  cheeses, oil, mayonnaise, salad dressing, nuts, avocados, olives, peanut butter, butter and
  margarine, and high-fat snack foods such as potato and corn chips. Try lowfat alternatives (cheeses, sour cream, and salad dressings, for example).
- Decrease or avoid lactose-containing foods while you have diarrhea. Lactose-containing foods include milk; milk powder; ice cream; milk-containing desserts, soups, and baked goods; and cheese and yogurt. Try lactose-free or lactose-reduced dairy products.
- Select foods that are easily digested and absorbed such as peeled, cooked fruits and vegetables, bananas, applesauce, cooked cereal, and rice.
- Eat small, frequent meals.
- Ask your doctor, dietitian, or nurse about using Advera® which is nutritionally complete and low in fat, and contains fiber to help maintain bowel function.
- Avoid foods that have a laxative effect (prunes and prune juice, raw fruits and vegetables when you have diarrhea. They may make the diarrhea worse.
- Don't eat or drink foods and beverages that contain caffeine such as coffee, tea, cola, and chocolate.

### When your mouth and throat are sore...

- Drink soothing beverages such as apple juice, fruit nectars, and milk (if diarrhea is not a problem). A sore mouth or throat may be irritated by highly spiced foods and carbonated drinks or liquids containing salt (such as broth or vegetable juice), or those containing acid (such as orange juice).
- Drink liquids and semisolid foods through a straw.
- Select soft, moist foods such as macaroni and cheese; casseroles; canned fruits and ripe, peeled, soft fresh fruits\* (bananas, pears, peaches); scrambled eggs; stews; mashed pota-

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**Healthy Lifestyle Choices** 

toes with gravy; puddings and custards; and sherbets, yogurt, ice cream, and milkshakes. Avoid sticky, hard-to-swallow foods such as peanut butter and dry, rough foods such as popcorn, potato chips, and raw vegetables that can irritate sensitive mouths and throats. Dunk toast, cookies, doughnuts, and crackers in milk, tea, juice, or soup to soften them and make them easier to swallow.

- Use melted butter or margarine, gravy, broth, sauces, or syrup to moisten food.
- Make sure foods and beverages are at room temperature before eating or drinking them.
   Avoid foods that are very hot or very cold.
- Use Advera® as an oral supplement or meal replacement sipped through a straw.
- Talk to your doctor about medicine to numb your mouth and throat.

### When your sense of taste changes...

- If red meat tastes bitter, select other foods containing protein such as cheese, eggs, poultry, yogurt, tuna, and peanut butter. Try marinating meat in soy sauce, wine, or fruit
- Serve protein foods cold or at room temperature.
- bacon bits, and lemon and lime juices.
  Add fresh or canned fruit to milkshakes and ice cream.

Add interest to foods with seasonings and flavorings such as basil, oregano, garlic, onion,

- ink liquida with solid foods
- Drink liquids with solid foods.
- Use Advera® as an oral supplement or meal replacement.

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<sup>\*</sup>Avoid fresh fruit if diarrhea is a problem.

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Day of the week	Date
Breakfast	Steps to complete the meal
Lunch	Steps to complete the meal
Dinner	Steps to complete the meal

Healthy Lifestyle Choices

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Tuesday	Things to buy
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Weekly Meal Planner for the week of

#### October 2005

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Produce	Canned goods	Baking supplies
	Cereals	Pet food/Cleaners
Meat and Fish	Frozen foods	Other
Bakery/Breads		Other
	Paper products	
Beverages		

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Healthy Lifestyle Choices

#### To Do Today



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#### Group Eight

## INTRODUCTION TO THE 12-STEPS

### Skills to Be Learned

- Identifying What Is and Is Not Controllable
- Understanding When to Let Go and When to Take Action
- Identifying One's Personal Source of Strength
- Increasing Motivation for Change

#### Introduction to the 12-Steps

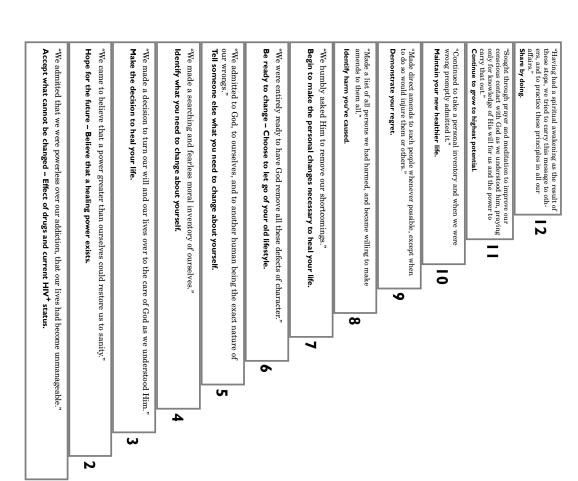
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## Twelve Steps in a Journey of Recovery





#### Group One

## REACHING YOUR GOALS

### Skills to Be Learned

- Improving Memory and Concentration
- Setting Goals
- Establishing Priorities
- Action Initiation

#### Introduction to the 12-Steps

## 12-Step Game Blank Worksheet



**Instructions:** In each of the larger boxes above is one of the Twelve Steps. In the smaller box, write the number (1 through 12) that corresponds to correct order of the Steps.

Having had a spiritual awakening as the result of these steps, we tried to carry this message to others and to practice these principles in all our affairs.	We made a decision to turn our will and our lives over to the care of God as we understood Him.	Made a list of all persons we had harmed, and became willing to make amends to them all.	Continued to take a personal inventory and when we were wrong promptly admitted it.
We came to believe that a power greater than ourselves could restore us to sanity.	We humbly asked Him to remove our short-comings.	We admitted that we were powerless over our addiction, that our lives had become unmanageable.	Made direct amends to such people whenever possible, except when to do so would injure them or others.
Sought through prayer and meditation to improve our conscious contact with God as we understood Him, praying only for knowledge of His will for us and the power to carry that out.	We admitted to God, to ourselves, and to another human being the exact nature of our wrongs.	We made a searching and fearless moral inventory of ourselves.	We were entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

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### **Lifetime Goals Exercise**



**Instructions:** In answering the question below, write down whatever comes to your mind, as quickly as possible; don't be afraid to list things that may seem far-fetched. List everything that you think you would really like to have done with your life.

What were your lifetime goals prior to using drugs and testing positive for HIV?

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### Prioritizing Lifetime Goals



**Instructions:** Select your three most important goals and write them in order of importance below, with No. 1 being the most important of the three (a sample No. 1 has been completed for you).

List activities necessary to accomplish this goal

Stay in HHRP+ treatment program

Always use condoms/latex Keep doctor appointments

Do relaxation techniques

Take prescribed medications

Sample Goal Living a healthy lifestyle

(Write on To-Do List)
Activity I can do during the next week towards my goal:
List activities necessary to accomplish this goal:
Write Goal No. 3 here
Activity I can do during the next week towards my goal:  (Write on To-Do List)
List activities necessary to accomplish this goal:
Write Goal No. 2 here
(Write on To-Do List)
Activity I can do during the next week towards my goal:
List activities necessary to accomplish this goal:
Write Goal No. 1 here

Group Nine

## OVERCOMING STIGMA

Skills to Be Learned

- Understand the Consequence of Stigmatization
- Decreasing the Strength of "Addict" Self-identity

My three most important lifetime goals are:

Activity I can do during the next week towards my goal:

Drug-free leisure activities

Eat healthy foods Remain abstinent Take vitamins

Exercise Think positively

Stay in HHRP+ treatment program

(Write on To-Do List)

- Connecting with "Core/Ideal" Self
- Identifying and Strengthening Cognitive,
   Affective, and Behavioral Attributes
   of Healthier, Non-drug Using, Lifestyle
- Redefining the Self as a Non-drug User

### **Action Initiation**



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### Schedule the Activity

- Put the activity on your to-do list.
- Set a realistic deadline for completing the activity.
- Block out time.

#### Getting Started

- Leave yourself reminders.
- Use self-affirmations such as "I can do it."
- Tell someone so that they can encourage you.
- $\bullet$  Set a time limit (e.g., contract with yourself to engage in activity for just 5 mins.)
- Relax/visualize yourself engaging in activity.
- Pretend you are an actor: Act "as if" you are someone who engages in this activity.
- Start anywhere, not necessarily only at the beginning.

Feelings

• Don't expect perfection.

### **Engage in the Activity**

- Cross it off your to-do list.
- Congratulate yourself.
- Remind yourself that because of your effort and commitment you are now one step closer to your goal.

## A Mirror into Your "Ideal" Self

(Part I)

HHRP

						Thoughts
				Characteristics of my "Ideal" Self		Behaviors
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## Step-by-Step Planning Worksheet



Goal:To-Do List				Date		
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Block out time						
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Work on Step 3:	from_	 	_ to _	 	on	
Work on Step 4:	from_	 	_ to _	  -	on	
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$rac{4}{ ext{extremely}}$	How much did I experience my "ideal" self in the past week?	$\frac{4}{\text{extremely}}$	How much did I experience my "addict" self in the past week?	One week from today I will rate my progress by rating the strength of my "addict" and "ideal" selves:		I plan to act "as if" I have this attribute by doing the following:	Memory aid for visualization. I will remember to do my visualization by:			_ am/pm. My visualization				

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#### Group Two

## OF INJECTION DRUG USE

### Skills to Be Learned

- Identifying the Harm of Injection Drug Use
- Learning Harm Reduction Techniques (e.g., needle cleaning)
- Reducing Cue-elicited Craving

Group Ten

## MOTIVATION FOR CHANGE: OVERCOMING HELPLESSNESS

### Skills to Be Learned

- Understand the Source and Consequences of Helplessness
- Identify Situations in Which You Can Become Empowered
- Assess Readiness for Change
- Increase Motivation to Pursue a Healthy Lifestyle

## How to Bleach-clean Needles



- 1. Rinse syringe with water to remove any visible drug or blood.
- 2. Submerge needle; fill barrel of syringe with bleach
- 3. Shake/tap needle while bleach is in it to break up clots
- 4. Keep bleach in syringe for at least 30 seconds
- **5.** Squirt out bleach into waste cup (or into cooker if that is also being cleaned).
- 6. REPEAT Steps 2-5 using new bleach and shake/tap for another 30
- 7. Fill a disposable cup with water and fill the syringe
- 8. Squirt out water into waste cup (or cooker)
- 9. Rinse again with clean water
- 10. Eject water into waste cup (or into cooker to rinse that with water
- 11. Take the syringe apart and clean the plunger in bleach

Remember: Less than 30—it's still dirty!

### Readiness Assessment

**Instructions:** Circle **one** of the responses in each of the four boxes.

#### **Sexual Practices**

doms every time I have sex. I have no intention to start using con-

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Illegal Drug Use

gal drugs.

I am seriously considering quitting all

illegal drugs but haven't made any defi

- I am seriously considering starting to use condoms soon, but haven't made any definite preparations yet.
- but haven't started yet. begin engaging in safer sexual practices I am now actively preparing myself to

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quit using all illegal drugs, but haven't

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and have been completely abstinent for

I stopped using all illegal drugs and have

been completely abstinent for more than

less than six months.

six months.

- for less than six months. I've used condoms every time I have sex
- 5. I've been using condoms every time I have sex for longer than six months.

#### Stage:

#### Health Care

Stage:

- I have no intention to see a doctor regularly, take all medications as directed and be active in my own health care.
- I am now actively preparing myself to yet. haven't made any definite preparations more active in my health care, but

I am seriously considering becoming

- 4. I have now begun participating actively in my health care and have been 100% actively, but haven't done so yet. form a partnership with my health care provider so that I can participate more
- 5. I have been participating actively in my ant with medical recommendations for health care and have been 100% compli more than six months.

tions for less than six months. compliant with all medical recommenda

### Sharing Drug Paraphernalia

- 1. I have no intention to stop sharing drug needles, cookers, cotton, rinse water). paraphernalia with other people (e.g.,
- 2. I am seriously considering not sharing made any definite preparations yet. paraphernalia any more, but haven't
- 3. I am now actively preparing myself to stopped yet. stop sharing paraphernalia, but haven't
- I stopped sharing drug paraphernalia and haven't shared anything for less than six months.

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Stage:	and haven't shared anything for <b>n</b> than six months.
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## The ABCs of Reducing the Harm of Injection Drug Use



#### A = Abstinence

## B = Buy or obtain new needles C = Clean needle with full-strength bleach

#### A = Abstinence

Because any drug use is dangerous, the best way to prevent harm is by abstaining from drugs.

## B = Buy or obtain new needles - Never share needles/works.

Other than abstaining from injection drug use, the second best way of avoiding harm is by always using a new needle—never share needles or works and don't reuse needles even if not shared with others. There are two reasons to always use new/sterile needles. First, it is the best way to be sure a needle is not contaminated. Second, because used needles (even ones that have been cleaned) are less sharp, they are more likely to harm/collapse your veins than new ones.

- Never assume a needle bought on the street is new even if it is in a wrapper.
- Besides getting new needles from a drug store, the best way to be sure you're getting a sterile needle is by using needle exchange programs.

## C = Clean your needle/works with full-strength household bleach.

When you're not abstinent and don't have a new needle, the next best way of reducing the harm of injection drug use is by cleaning your needles/works with bleach.

#### Procedure:

- Thoroughly rinse the syringe with water to remove any apparent blood or drug.
   Submerge needle; fill barrel of syringe with bleach.
- 3. Shake/tap needle while bleach is in it to break up clots
- 4. Keep bleach in syringe for at least 30 seconds. Remember: Less than 30, it's still dirty!
- 5. Squirt out bleach into waste cup (or cooker).
- 6. Repeat Steps 2-5 using new bleach and shake/tap for another 30 seconds.
- 7. Fill a disposable cup with water and fill the syringe.
- 8. Squirt out water into waste cup (or cooker).
- 9. Rinse again with clean water.
- **0.** Eject water into waste cup (or cooker).
- Take the syringe apart (remove the plunger) to improve the cleaning procedure

#### Additional tips:

- Never dilute the bleach with water; diluted bleach is less effective for killing HIV.
   Never re-use bleach or rinse water.
- Clean your needles before the blood inside them has a chance to dry; dried blood is harder to clean out of the needle.
- 4. Never put needle into the rinse water bottle; fill disposable cups with rinse water.
- 5. If you are unable to get bleach, do not inject drugs; other cleaning methods are not as effective at killing HIV.
- 6. Heating drug solution in a cooker for at least 15 seconds may also help to inactivate HIV.

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## Stage of Change Graduation Game Worksheet



My current Stage of Change: In the space provided below, write the name of the stage (precontemplation, contemplation, action, preparation, or maintenance) from your Readiness Assessment.

Drug use	Sexual practices
Sharing "works"	Health care

behavior, from the four above, that you are least motivated to change and write it here.

The behavior I'm most ambivalent about changing is: Select the

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(a) Total number of costs of change and enter here:

### List the potential benefits of change:

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- (b) Total the number of potential benefits of change and enter here:
- (c) Subtract costs (a) from benefits (b) and enter results here:

Write in the name of the next Stage of Change here:\_

List below the strategies you will use to help you graduate to the next stage for changing this risky behavior:

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(d) Total the number of strategies for graduation and enter here:

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## The ABCs of Reducing the Harm of Injection Drug Use (page two)

### Reducing Your Risk of Infection

- If you inject drugs, you can get infected with HIV, HBV, or HCV by sharing needles, syringes, and other injection equipment that someone else has used.
- Never share any of your equipment. You can also get HIV, HBV, and HCV by sharing cookers, cottons, or rinse water.
- Direct sharing occurs when you use another person's syringe after he or she has used it.
- Indirect sharing occurs when fluids are mixed without actually passing a syringe from one person to another.
- Routes of indirect sharing include:
- Putting syringes in the same container;
- Using a plunger from a previously used syringe to mix the drug solution;
- Using a used syringe to distribute or return the drug;
- Drawing drug from a shared cotton filter;
- Returning the drug to a shared cooker;
- "Beating the cotton" and "scraping the cooker;" and
- Rinsing a syringe in other people's water.
- Do not put your needle in someone else's syringe rinse water, cotton, or cooker. HIV, HBV, or HCV can live in blood in all these places.
- Do not share drugs that have been drawn up in a syringe someone else has used.
- Disinfecting used syringes with bleach can reduce the risk of transmission, but a disinfected syringe is not as safe as a new, sterile needle and syringe.

Source: NIDA Community-based Outreach Model Manual: National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH Publication Number 00-4812, printed September 2000.

#### Notes

Group Eleven

## MOVING BEYOND GRIEF

Skills to Be Learned

- Understanding the Stages of Grief
- Facing and Coping with Fears about HIV
- Identifying and Prioritizing That Which Has Personal Meaning

#### Group Three

## HARM REDUCTION WITH LATEX

### Skills to Be Learned

- Identifying the Harm of Unsafe **Sexual Practices**
- Learning Harm Reduction Techniques (e.g., condom selection and application)

Moving beyond Grief

## "Letting Go of Fear" Client Worksheet

#### Stages of grief:

Mon. ☐ Tues. ☐ Wed. ☐ Thur. ☐ Fri. ☐ Sat. ☐ Sun. ☐  Lifetime goals:  List three things that are important to you to accomplish in your life. Be realistic!  1	Select <b>one</b> fear from those you listed above and, in the space below, describe <b>one</b> step you can take <b>this week</b> to begin letting go of that fear (e.g., make an appointment to talk to your health care provider or counselor, go to a support group meeting, go to the library and read about HIV). <b>Be specific.</b> This week I will do the following:	In the space below, list the three things you fear most about HIV:  1.  2.  3.  Step toward letting go of fear:	Place an "x" in one of the boxes below to indicate the stage of grief you are currently in with regard to HIV infection:  Denial □ Anger □ Bargaining □ Depression □ Acceptance □ Hope □  Fears about HIV:
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This week I will do the following:

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## The ABCs of Reducing Harm with Latex



#### A = Abstinence

#### B = don't exchange Body Fluids C = always use a Condom

#### A = Abstinence

The only way to completely prevent all harm is abstinence.

### B = don't exchange Body fluids

Other than abstaining from sex, the best way of avoiding harm is by engaging in sexual practices that do not involve the exchange of Body fluids (e.g., mutual masturbation).

### C = always use Condoms

If you are going to engage in vaginal or anal intercourse or vaginal or anal oral sex, always use a condom and other latex protection.

## Amusing Epitaphs: R.I.P. (Rest In Peace)

Here lies a man who while he lived
Was happy as a linnet
He always lied while on the earth
And now he's lying in it

Here lies an Atheist All dressed up And no place to go

I made an ash of myself

A contented man:
Here I lie snug as a bug in a rug.
The contented man's relative
in a nearby grave:
Here I lie snugger than that other bugger.

Here lies Ezekial Aikle

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Aged 102

The Good Die Young

John Dryden's epitaph for his wife:
Here lies my wife
Here let her lie!
Now she's at rest
And so am I.

She lived with her husband of fifty years
And died in the confident hope
Of a better life

Here lies Ned
There is nothing more to be said—
Because we like to speak well of the dead

A widower placed two messages, one year apart, on his wife's tombstone:

In 1890, he wrote:
The light of my life has gone out

In 1891, he wrote:
I have struck another match

Here lies
Johnny Yeast

Pardon me
For not rising

Here lies Lester Moore Four slugs from a .44 No Les No More

W. C. Fields:

On the whole, I'd rather be in Philadelphia

On a dentist's tombstone:

Stranger,
Approach this spot with gravity
John Brown is filling his last cavity

Here lies the body Of Jonathan Blake Stepped on the gas Instead of the brake

Epitaph found in a Georgia cemetery: I told you I was sick!

Found in Hookstown, PA, on tombstone with an etching of a marijuana plant on it:

Stay high Bve

Harm Reduction with Latex

#### Moving beyond Grief

## The ABCs of Reducing Harm with Latex (page two)

### Important points to remember:

- 1. The only way to completely prevent harm is abstinence.
- 2. Safer sex = no exchange of bodily fluids.
- 3. The first step to having safer sex is being sober.
- 4. Besides not having sex, the best way to protect yourself against sexually transmitted diseases (STDs) is by always using latex or polyurethane condoms.
- 5. Condoms that are kept on all the way through sex help prevent the spread of sexually transmitted viruses, including HIV, hepatitis B and C, and other STDs
- **6.** STDs often cause genital lesions or sores that make it easier for you to get infected with HIV, and hepatitis B and C, and also make it easier for you to infect others if you are already infected.
- 7. Use only latex or polyurethane condoms. Condoms made of lambskin, sheepskin, and other natural materials do **not** protect you from getting HIV, hepatitis B or C, or other sexually transmitted diseases.
- 8. Always check expiration date on condom package.
- 9. Store condoms in a cool, dry place; out of direct sunlight.
- 10. Use only water-based lubricants; never use oil-based lubricants with latex.
- 11. Use lubricants inside partner and inside tip of condom for increased sensation.
- 12. Put on condom before any genital contact.
- 13. Don't open condom package with teeth; you can tear the condom.
- 14. Roll condom down over penis to base; don't pull it.
- 15. Pull out of vagina/anus/mouth right after ejaculating/coming.
- 16. Tie knot in condom and dispose of it.
- 17. Never reuse male or female condoms, and never use both at the same time.
- 18. Female condoms are polyurethane, baglike devices that are placed in the female genital canal to protect it from seminal fluid and blood.
- 19. Female condoms reduce the risk of acquiring diseases, such as HIV, hepatitis C and B, and other STDs, and of becoming pregnant.
- 20. For oral sex, use non-lubricated condoms for oral-penis contact, and use dental dams for oral-vaginal and oral-anal contact. If no dental dams are available, a piece of condom or latex glove or nonmicrowavable plastic wrap, such as Saran Wrap© could be used; wash off the talcum powder if using latex).
- **21.** Use latex gloves for hand-to-genital/hand-to-anal contact. Wash talcum off exterior of glove prior to use.
- 22. Clean lubricant applicators and sex toys after use.
- 23. Spermicides, such as diaphragm jelly and contraceptive sponges, do **not** kill HIV or hepatitis B or C, so they should never be used instead of condoms.
- 24. Avoid having sex during a woman's menstrual period.
- 25. Do not consume breast milk.

## Remember Me by What I Valued



## Part I. The house is on fire—what do you save?

Imagine that your house is on fire. All your loved ones and pets are safe. You have three minutes to select just **three** items from your house that you would want to save. Write your choices below:

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creative, let go of your fear, and have fun.

PART II. Epitaph

Write an amusing epitaph based on the three items you chose to save. Be

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### How to Use a Condom



Sexual abstinence is the only sure way to prevent pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS. If you do decide to have sex, correct use of a condom will help you to protect you and your partner against these risks. This guide tells you how to use a condom for maximum protection.

#### How to Buy Condoms

DO buy a supply of latex, reservoir (nipple)-end lubricated ripe condoms. They're available in different colors, textures, and sometimes in two different sizes. A good quality condom is the most important feature for safer sex.

DO check expiration date on outer package.

DO check name of lubricant: it should not contain nonoxynol-9.

DO store in a cool dry place.

DO carry a condom with you.

DO carry a condom at all times.



**DON'T** buy condoms made of any material other than latex. (Only latex prevents passage of harmful germs.)

DON'T buy old (outdated) condoms.

DON'T store condoms in hot glove compartment of car. Heat can damage the condom.

DON'T carry in hip wallet for long periods of time -- shortens shelf life.

DON'T be shy about buying condoms - 40% are sold to women.

How to Put the Condom On



DO remove rolled condom from package.

DO roll condom down on penis as soon as it is hard, before you start to make love (foreplay).

DO leave 1/4 to 1/2 inch extra space at tip of condom to catch the ejaculate if the condom has no nipple.

### How to Use a Condom

(page two)

DON'T unroll condom; instead carefully roll on all the way toward the base of the penis.

**DON'T** put condom on only when you are ready to enter your partner -- it may be too late. Drops of semen may ooze from the uncovered penis before ejaculation and may infect or impregnate your partner

DON'T twist, bite, or prick condom with a pin -- this will damage it and allow fluid to leak out, possibly infecting

### How to Take the Condom Off

DO hold the condom at the rim; remove soon after ejaculation.

DO keep used condom away from partner's genitals.

**DON'T** let penis go soft inside partner — condom may drop off, and protection is lost.

DON'T tug to pull condom off — it may tear.

DON'T allow semen to spill on your hands or body. Wash hands or body parts if contact occurs. Wrap condom in tissue and dispose of safely.

DON'T allow semen to come in contact with a skin break, cut, or open wound

### Special Points to Remember

If you buy unlubricated condoms, you may need to buy a lubricant. Use only
water-soluble lubricants such as spermicidal jelly or water.



- Don't use oil-based lubricants such as petroleum jelly or vegetable oil with latex condoms, since they can damage the condoms.
- Never use a condom more than once.
- Correct use of condoms increases comfort, and promotes a sense of security in having safer sex.

Group Twelve

## HEALTHY SOCIAL RELATIONSHIPS AND ACTIVITIES

Skills to Be Learned

- Identifying and Maintaining Healthy Social Relationships
- Communicating HIV Status
- Identifying and Engaging in Healthy Social Activities

### Using the Male Condom



- Use a new condom with each act of intercourse and check the expiration date.
- **2.** Carefully open the condom package. (Avoid damaging it with fingernails, teeth or other sharp objects).
- **3.** Put the condom on as soon as the penis is erect and before any genital contact with the partner.
- **4.** Pinch the reservoir tip to ensure that no air is trapped in the tip of the condom. (This can cause the condom to break).
- **5.** Use only water-based lubricants (e.g., K-Y Jelly or glycerin) with latex condoms (oil-based lubricants (e.g., petroleum jelly, shortening, mineral oil, massage oils, body lotions, or cooking oil) weaken latex and should never be used).
- **6.** Hold the rim of the condom firmly against the base of the penis during withdrawal, and withdraw while the penis is still erect to prevent spillage.
- 7. When removing the condom, be certain to milk the condom off from the base of penis, to ensure that semen does not spill out. Dispose of condom properly.
- **8.** Avoid further sexual contact with your partner until both of you wash your sex organs and any other areas that came in contact with body fluids.

Sources: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5106a1.htm)
American Social Health Association (http://www.ashastd.org/stdfaqs/condom\_m.html)
http://www.safersex.org

## Are You Infected with USR's?



- 1. On the reverse side of this worksheet, write your first name in the center.
- 2. Identify your unhealthy and healthy relationships (using the person's initials).

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- **3.** Then answer the following questions:
- a) Does the number of drug-users you spend time with outnumber the number of non-drug users you spend time with?

Yes
No

**b)** Do the activities you engage in with your drug-using "friends" and acquaintances help you to protect your health?

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c) Does the person you spend **the most** time with encourage you and help you to protect your health?

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If you answered "yes", protect and nurture this relationship. If you answered "no", it may be time to make an important decision—to choose between this relationship or your recovery.

### Using the Female Condom



The female condom is a sleeve-like device made of polyurethane. It has a small closed end, and a larger open end. Each end contains a flexible ring. Use this simple step-by-step guide to using female condoms to assure that you are using them properly during vaginal and/or rectal intercourse.

#### Here's How:

- The female condom must be properly positioned before any contact occurs between the penis and vagina and/or rectum. The female condom may be used for both vaginal and rectal sexual intercourse.
- For vaginal use, squeeze the smaller ring and insert it into the vagina. The large end should be placed over the vaginal opening to protect the outer genitalia from infection
- For rectal use the small ring should be removed. Place the condom over the erect penis. The condom will be inserted with your partner's penis.
- Be sure the penis goes directly into the large ring to preclude unprotected sexual contact between the penis and the vagina or rectum.
- Remove the condom immediately after sexual intercourse and before standing up. To avoid semen leakage the large outer ring should be twisted. Carefully pull the condom out and dispose of it.

#### Tips:

- Take your time and push the female condom up to where you can feel the pubic bone. You will feel the pubic bone by curving your index finger when it is a couple of inches inside the vagina. If the female condom is too slippery to insert, let it go and start over
- Make sure the condom is inserted (not twisted) into the vagina.
- Use care when storing condoms. They should not be kept in places with extreme temperatures either hot or cold. Do not store them in a pocket or billfold.
- Use a new condom for each act of sexual intercourse. Do not use the same condom for vaginal and rectal sex.
- Never use a male condom and a female condom at the same time.
- Always use water-based lubricants with condoms. Oil-based lubricants will destroy latex condoms. Lubricants are not needed when condoms are used for oral sex.
- Never throw a used condom into your toilet, they can easily clog up your pipes and require expensive plumbing repairs.

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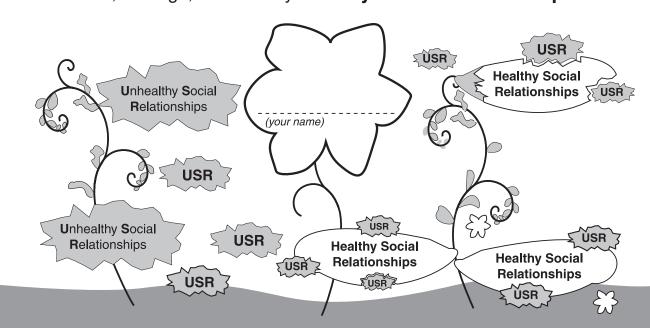
i. The female condom can be inserted up to 8 hours before sex. However, most women insert the condom between 2 to 20 minutes before sex. It is for **one-time use**. Use new female condom with each sex act.

#### What You Need:

- Water-based lubricant
- Female condom

#### ARE YOU INFECTED WITH "USR"s?

Unhealthy Social Relationships infect, damage, and destroy Healthy Social Relationships



## **Condom Negotiation with Your Partner**



How to talk about condoms with a resistant, defensive, or manipulative partner

Select day for activities:

Saturday \_\_\_

Sunday

If your partner says: I'm on the pill, you don't need a condom You can say: I'd like to use it anyway. We'll both be protected from infections we may not realize we have.

If your partner says: I know I'm clean (disease-free); I haven't had sex with anyone in XXX months.

You can say: Thanks for telling me. As far as I know, I'm disease-free too. But I'd still like to use a condom since either of us could have an infection and not know it.

If your partner says: I'm a virgin.

You can say: I'm not. This way we'll both be protected.

If your partner says: I can't feel a thing when I wear a condom. It's like wearing a raincoat in the shower.

You can say: Even if you lose some sensation, you'll still have plenty left.

If your partner says: I'll lose my erection by the time I stop and put it on.

You can say: I'll help you put it on — that'll help you keep it.

If your partner says: By the time you put it on, I'm out of the mood. You can say: Maybe so, but we feel strongly enough for each other to stay in the mood.

If your partner says: It destroys the romantic atmosphere. You can say: It doesn't have to be that way.

If your partner says: Condoms are unnatural, fake, a total turnoff.
You can say: Please let's try to work this out — an infection isn't so great either.
So let's give the condom a try. Or maybe we can look for alternatives.

If your partner says: What kinds of alternatives?
You can say: Maybe we'll just pet, or postpone sex for a while.

## Planning a "Fun-day" Team Worksheet



Time	Specify the Activity	Estimate Cost	Preparations Required
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Total hours(minimum five hrs)		Total cost \$(maximum \$30)	

## Condom Negotiation with Your Partner

If your partner says: This is an insult! Do you think I'm some sort of disease-ridden slut (gigolo)?

You can say: I didn't say or imply that. I care for you, but in my opinion, it's best to use a condom

If your partner says: None of my other boyfriends uses a condom. A real man isn't afraid.

You can say: Please don't compare me to them. A real man cares about the woman he dates, himself, and about their relationship.

If your partner says: I love you! Would I give you an infection?
You can say: Not intentionally. But many people don't know they're infected.

If your partner says: Just this once.
You can say: Once is all it takes

That's why this is best for both of us right now.

If your partner says: I don't have a condom with me.

You can say: I do or Then let's satisfy each other without intercourse.

If your partner says: You carry a condom around with you? You were planning to seduce me!

You can say: I always carry one with me because I care about myself. I have one with me tonight because I care about us both.

If your partner says: I won't have sex with you if you're going to use a condom. You can say: So let's put it off until we can agree or OK, then let's try some other things besides intercourse.

(adapted from Medical Aspects of Human Sexuality, July 1987, A Cahners Publication, 245 West 17th Street, New York, NY 10011)

#### Exercise Log



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#### Group Four

## NEGOTIATING HARM REDUCTION WITH PARTNERS

### Skills to Be Learned

- Harm Reduction Negotiation and Communication Skills
- Eroticizing Safer Sexual Practices

## HHRP<sup>+</sup> Client Workbook

#### Schedules:

NA Schedules
Needle Exchange Locations
Transportation Schedules

## How to Talk with Your Partner about Safer Sex



- 1. Learn as much as you can about HIV, HBV, HCV, and other STDs. That will make it easier to talk about safer sex.
- **2.** Decide when you want to talk. The best time is not just before having sex or when you are high.
- 3. Decide in your own mind what you will and won't do during sex.
- 4. Give your partner time to think about what you're saying. Don't rush.
- 5. Pay attention to how your partner understands what you're saying.
- **6.** Slow down if you need to.
- 7. Talk about the times that make it hard to have safer sex. These may be times when you don't have condoms or have used alcohol or drugs. Try to decide what to do at those times so you can both reduce the risk of contracting HIV, HBV, and HCV.
- **8.** If your partner does not want to practice safer sex, ask yourself if this is the type of person you really want to have sex with. When drugs and alcohol are used, be more attentive to prevention behaviors such as using condoms.
- **9.** If your partner gets angry or threatens you when you raise the issue of condoms, seek help from a violence prevention program.

Please refer to Group 3 Handout, Condom Negotiation with Your Partner (pg. 16), for other strategies.

Source: NIDA Community-based Outreach Model Manual: National Institute on Drug Abuse, NIH Publication Number 00-4812, printed September 2000.

PLACE-HOLDER

LOCAL NA SCHEDULE

## 101 Ways to Make Love without "Doin It"



- 1. Tell the other person that you love
- 3. Make the other person feel important and respected

- 7. Hold hands

- 12. Go to a movie

- 25. Go swimming
- 26. Just be close
- 27. Go grocery shopping
- 28. Cook a meal together
- 29. Touch each other in a loving way
- 30. Do homework together
- 31. Plan and go on a road trip together
- 32. Throw a party together
- 33. Bake cookies
- 34. Go to the library

- 24. Relax in a whirlpool 23. Give compliments 22. Play a game of Frisbee 21. Have a picnic 20. Go out to eat 19. Take a walk together 18. Talk openly about your feelings 17. Have a special tape of love songs 16. Sit together in the park 15. Snuggle up together 14. Share dreams with each other 13. Walk arm in arm in the woods 10. Be there when a friend is needed 11. Spend time together 8. Go for a long bike ride 6. Tell the other person that you care 5. Have fun together 2. Give or get a hug Give a special gift
- 35. Browse in a museum
- 36. Just be there
- 37. Find out what's special for the other person and do it
- 38. Exercise together
- 39. Gaze at each other
- 40. Wash each other's cars
- 41. Go fishing
- 42. Talk to each other
- 43. Listen to hurts
- 44. Do a work project together
- 45. Choose a special, favorite song
- 46. Listen to joys
- 47. Hold one another close
- 48. Use eye contact to share a private
- 49. Write each other letters
- 50. Talk on the telephone
- 51. Trust one another
- 52. Give or receive a promise ring
- 53. Meet other's family
- 54. Go hiking together
- 55. Make sacrifices for one another
- 56. Walk
- 57. Hide a love note where the other will find it
- 58. Send candy
- 59. Respect each other
- 60. Go for a moonlight walk
- 61. Give each other sexy look
- 62. Write a poem
- 63. Send flowers
- 64. Eat dinner by candlelight
- 65. Go to a concert
- 66. Watch the sunrise together
- 67. Take a drive together

#### PLACE-HOLDER

PROGRAM SCHEDULE NEEDLE EXCHANGE

#### Harm Reduction with Latex

### 101 Ways to Make Love without "Doin It" (page two)

- 68. Give each other pet names
- 69. Go sightseeing
- 70. Rent a video
- 71. Do things for each other without being asked
- 72. Propose marriage
- 73. Whisper something nice into the other's ear
- 74. Be best friends
- 75. Take a carriage ride through the park
- 76. Go out dancing
- 77. Play music together
- 78. Flirt with each other
- 79. Laugh at something funny together
- 80. Be faithful
- 81. Impress each other
- 82. Make a list of things you like about each other
- 83. Read a book and discuss it
- 84. Meet each other's friends
- 85. Go riding
- 86. Cook each other's favorite foods
- 87. Find out what makes the other happy
- 88. Make each other gifts
- 89. Be caring
- 90. Watch the sunset
- 91. Dedicate a song on the radio
- 92. Send a funny card
- 93. Share lifetime goals with each other
- 94. Play "footsie"
- 95. Share private jokes
- 96. Think about each other
- 97. Find out what makes the other sad
- 99. Trade class rings
- 100. Share an ice cream cone

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#### **Bus Schedules**



Directions:
Destination: Bus Number: Bus Stop:
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### Negotiating Harm Reduction with Partners

#### Notes

MANAGING UNHEALTHY EMOTIONS



#### Referral List

In psychiatric emergency:

Yale New Haven Hospital: 688-2222

20 York Street

New Haven, CT 06519

Emergency medical and psychiatric care.

West Haven VA Medical Center: 932-5711

90 Campbell Avenue

West Haven, CT 06516

Emergency medical and psychiatric care for veterans.

#### Hotlines:

Crisis intervention and suicide prevention: Infoline: 1-800-203-1234

419 Whalley Avenue

New Haven, CT 06511

For professional help managing depression: Connecticut Mental Health Center (CMHC): 974-7300 or 974-7713

34 Park Street

New Haven, CT 06519

Many different counseling services are offered including family and individual therapy.

Community Mental Health Services: 776-8390 Dixwell Newhallville

660 Winchester Square

New Haven, CT 06511

Individual and family counseling.

West Haven VA Medical Center: 932-5711 x3887 (triage)

90 Campbell Avenue

West Haven, CT 06516

Provides both inpatient and outpatient psychiatric care for veterans.

National STD Hotline: 1-800-227-8922

Atlanta, GA 30333 Center for Disease Control

Offers information on sexually transmitted diseases

#### Group Five

### PREVENTING RELAPSE TO RISKY BEHAVIOR: RECOVERY AS A JOURNEY

### Skills to Be Learned

- Create a Road Map for the Journey of Recovery
- Learn Relapse Prevention Skills
- Identify Early Warning Signs
- Understand Seemingly Irrelevant Decisions

## MANAGING UNHEALTHY EMOTIONS

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Planned Parenthood of Connecticut: 387-3131 50 Fitch Street

New Haven, CT 06515

Information and counseling around issues of human sexuality, family planning and

AIDS Interfaith Network: 624-4350

1303 Chapel Street

New Haven, CT 06511

Weekly Support Group for AIDS; Counseling Individual & Family; Clothing; Food; Medical transportation; They also provide a number of other services.

Domestic Violence Services of Greater New Haven: 789-8104

P.O. Box 1329

New Haven, CT 06505

Provide support groups, crisis intervention counseling, protective services.

Parents Anonymous: 1-800-841-4314 60 Lorraine St.

Hartford, CT 06105

Self-help group for parents under stress who want to improve their relationships with their children.

Sexual Assault Intervention: 624-2273 131 Dwight Street

New Haven, CT 06511

## Personal Road Map for Journey of Recovery



risk situation ahead are as follows: Rules of the Road: My personal warning signs that there may be a high

1)	3)	Name 1)	<b>Navigators:</b> Guides $I$ can trust for my journey of recovery are:	2)	Tools and Skills I Need for My Journey of Recovery:	External warnings
	Safe, Reliable, and Supportive	Telephone	journey of recovery are:	5)	ney of Recovery:	Internal warnings

## LEARNING HOW TO HAVE FUN WITHOUT DRUGS



305 Skiff St. UCONN Extension: 789-7865

North Haven, CT 06473

Free information on gardening, health, nutrition.

Arts Council of Greater New Haven: 772-2788

70 Audubon St.

New Haven, CT 06511 Cultural events calendar

City of New Haven Parks and Recreation: 946-8020

720 Edgewood Ave.

New Haven, CT 06511

Information on programs run by the city parks; offers a number of different seasonal activities.

City of New Haven Libraries: 946-8130

133 Elm Street

New Haven, CT 06510

Books, Information, Videos, Music, the libraries offer a number of different educational programs.

Adult Education: 946-5884

Wilbur Cross High School

New Haven, CT 06511

Evening classes in a number of different areas including art and music. For evening computer classes call 946-8748, M-Th 7-9pm

Parents Without Partners: (860) 645-7722 P.O. Box 274

Hartford, CT 06101

Membership organization that provides dances and support for single parents.

Museums:

Peabody Museum of Natural History: 432-5050

170 Whitney Avenue New Haven, CT 06511

Mystic Marinelife Aquarium: (860) 572-5955

Coogan Boulevard Mystic, CT 06355

567 State Street The Children's Museum: 562-5437

New Haven, CT 06511

### Preventing Relapse to Risky Behavior

### Personal Road Map for Journey of Recovery (page two)

## Emergency Procedure to Reduce Harm if I'm in a High Risk

- 1. In high risk sexual situations, I will always use condoms
- 2. If injecting drugs, I will always use new or bleach-cleaned needle.
- 3. If I feel lost, in danger of doing something risky, or have already done something risky, I will call for help. (Telephone No.)
- 4. While waiting for help to arrive, I will remind myself of the benefits of resuming my journey of recovery, and the negative consequences to myself and others of continuing to take this detour.

3)	2)	1)	Personal benefits of recovery
3)	2)	1)	Negative consequences of detour

### **VOCATIONAL SERVICES**



#### Referral List

APT Vocational Services: 781-4670 904 Howard Avenue

New Haven, CT 06519
Provides vocational counseling/training to APT clients.

State of Connecticut Department of Labor: 789-7738

37 Marne Street Hamden, CT 06514 They offer career counseling, job training, and job placement services.

New Haven Private Industry Council: 624-1493 580 Ella T. Grasso Boulevard New Haven, CT 06519

They offer employment assistance and job training

## **SID Storytelling Game Worksheet**



named Sid who is HIV-positive and is in a drug addiction treatment Each team will have 10 minutes to create a story about a guy (or gal)

#### Beginning

The story begins with Sid deciding to engage in a particular activity:

Once upon a time, there was a guy/gal named Sid, who was going to:

(Write the activity that your counselor has assigned to your team here)

#### Middle

activity that could potentially put his recovery at risk The story unfolds with Sid having to make several decisions related to this

Sid decides to:	•	On his way to
(write decisions below)	(activity)	

**Seemingly irrelevant decisions.** One point for each seemingly irrelevant decision the team can identify that might jeopardize Sid's recovery while pursuing this activity:

5)	4)	3)	2)	1)
10)	9)	8)	7)	6)

coping with the above situations and engaging in the activity without The story should have a happy ending! The story ends with Sid successfully

### SOCIAL SUPPORT



### Schedules of NA and 12-Step Meetings

Twelve Step Club: 934-8756 63 Hamilton Street

New Haven, CT 06511

Information available at: 867 Jones Hill Rd. (CVS Plaza) Drop-in Social center for recovering substance abusers. AA and NA groups held on site.

West Haven, CT 06516

AL-ANON Family Groups: (888) 825-2666

New Haven, CT

Helps family members of substance abusers solve their common problems

Narcotics Anonymous Group Meetings: (800) 627-3543 P.O. Box 1075

Woodbury, CT 06798

Alcoholics Anonymous: 624-6063

Call for meetings, 24 hour answering service.

### Preventing Relapse to Risky Behavior

### **SID Storytelling Game Worksheet** (page two)

Sid successfully copes with each of these situations by:

self or others. that Sid demonstrates in the story that helped him prevent or reduce harm to Tools and/or skills demonstrated by Sid. One point for each tool or skill

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- Team elects a storyteller to tell their story of Sid to the group.
- Team with the most points wins the game.

members. Note: Bonus points awarded for creativity and participation of all team

ANGER MANAGEMENT



Yale New Haven Hospital: 688-4242

New Haven, CT 06510

<u>Protective Services: Adult.</u> Offers comprehensive medical care and crises intervention

Protective Services: Children. Child sexual abuse identification and treatment. Counseling for the family and child

Birmingham Group - the Umbrella: 736-9944 or 736-2601

435 East Main Street

Ansonia, CT 06401

They offer self-help groups, individual and family counseling, emergency shelter for battered women, and a sexual assault crises intervention hotline.

Coordinating Council for Children In Crises: 624-2600

900 Grand Avenue

New Haven, CT 06511

They offer family education, protective services for battered women, protective services for children, and sexual assault intervention and treatment planning.

Department of Children and Families: 789-7678

2105 State Street

Hamden, CT 06514

They offer parents support groups, women's support services and shelter, protective services for children and emergency shelter.

Connecticut Mental Health Center (CMHC): 789-7300 or 789-7713

34 Park Street

New Haven, CT 06519

Comprehensive mental health services, family life education and support groups for parents, and protective services for children.

Domestic Violence Services of Greater New Haven: 789-8104 or 865-1957

New Haven, CT 06505

Provide support groups, crisis intervention counseling, protective services

Offer a weekly therapy group for men who want to end their violence towards women. Fees Hospital of St. Raphael Mental Health Resource Center: 784-8700

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