

## **Peer Review and Public Comment Plan for “Sexually Transmitted Diseases Treatment Guidelines, 2014”**

**Title:** “Sexually Transmitted Diseases Treatment Guidelines, 2014”

**Subject of Planned Report:** This document summarizes the evidence informing clinical practices for the treatment of persons who have or are at risk for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs).

**Purpose of Planned Report:** The information in this document replaces the 2010 recommendations “Sexually Transmitted Diseases Treatment Guidelines, 2010”. New recommendations regarding 1) alternative treatment regimens for *Neisseria gonorrhoeae*; 2) use of nucleic acid amplification tests for the diagnosis of trichomoniasis; 3) alternative treatment options for genital warts and chlamydial infections; 4) the role of *Mycoplasma genitalium* in urethritis/cervicitis and treatment-related implications; 5) updated HPV counseling messages; 6) new section on the management of transgender individuals; 7) annual testing for hepatitis C in HIV infected individuals; 8) updated recommendations for diagnostic evaluation of urethritis; and 9) retesting to detect repeat infection are essential updates from the 2010 document. The target audience for these recommendations includes any patient-care setting that serves individuals at risk for STDs, including family-planning clinics, HIV-care clinics, private physicians’ offices, Federally Qualified Health Centers, and other primary-care facilities.

**Type of Dissemination:** Influential Scientific Information (ISI)

**Timing of Review (including deferrals):** August-September 2014

**Type of Peer Review (panel, individual or alternative procedure):** Individual

**Opportunities for the Public to Comment (how and when):** There will be a public access webinar in August/September 2014 to allow for public comment on the guideline recommendations. The webinar will be recorded (audio) to provide a complete and accurate record. A summary of questions and suggestions offered will be posted on this website and shared with the individual peer reviewers listed below. Prior to writing the guidelines, multiple stakeholders (health departments, clinicians, STD prevention service providers, technical experts, academicians, potential users) provided early input through a series of conference calls and an external consultation in April 2013.

**Peer Reviewers Provided with Public comments before the Review:** No

**Anticipated Number of Reviewers:** 3-7

**Primary Disciplines or Expertise:** Infectious disease epidemiology; prevention, care and treatment of HIV, STD, and viral hepatitis; STD program planning, STD prevention and care policy; STD guidelines development and implementation, STD prevention for MSM and heterosexual women and men in the US.

**Reviewers Selected by (agency or designated outside organization):** Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

**Public Nominations Requested for Reviewers:** No

**Charge to Peer Reviewers:**

We request your review of the draft document entitled “Sexually Transmitted Diseases Treatment Guidelines, 2014”. As you review the document, we would appreciate your thoughts as to whether any key studies have been left out or, in your opinion, misinterpreted. In addition, please comment on the appropriateness of the recommendations. The questions below will serve as a template to collect and organize your responses. Once you complete your review, please send the review back to the CDC. After the Division of STD Prevention (DSTDP) reviews your comments, they will be posted without attribution along with our responses on the CDC DSTDP website.

Template of specific questions:

1. Are there omissions of information or key studies that are critical for the intended audience of clinicians and public health workers? If so, what should be included?
2. Have we included inappropriate information? If so, what should be removed?
3. Are the recommendations appropriately drawn from the evidence presented? Please explain.
4. Is this document clear and comprehensible? If not, which sections should be reviewed?
5. Other comments you might have?

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