

South Staffordshire Sexual Health Team

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Sexual Health Service Update

Winter 2020/21

Services over Christmas

Sexual health services will be closed on bank holidays over the Christmas and New Year period. This includes phone lines and our clinical services.

Phone lines and clinics will close at 4pm on Christmas Eve and New Year's Eve.

Find Christmas opening times, and more service information, on our website: www.openclinic.org.uk

If you're signposting someone to pharmacies for emergency hormonal contraception (EHC) over Christmas/New Year, please advise them to call the pharmacy in advance to ensure the pharmacy is open and the correct person is available to dispense the EHC.



Sexual Health Services during COVID-19 – Latest information

Please read below information regarding our services:

- Face-to-face services in clinics continue to be by appointment only (strictly no walk-ins).
- All service users must call the sexual health team on 0300 124 5022 in the first instance.
- Appointments will be prioritised according to clinical need.
- Service users may be offered contraception or treatment via post, or signposted to use online STI testing kits (see below for more info).

Find the latest service information on our website www.openclinic.org.uk



SH:24 STI Testing Kits

People in Staffordshire who are aged 16+ can order a free and confidential STI testing kit online.

The kit can test for chlamydia, gonorrhoea, syphilis and HIV. The tests can be taken by service users at home, and are free to post back.

People can order a kit at sh24.org.uk

If you would like a poster or screensaver to promote these kits, please email us on sexualhealthcomms@mpft.nhs.uk, or download a poster from the new resources section of our website (details below).



Resources section on website

We have a new section on our website, which allows you to download copies of our posters and some other resources.

We currently have:

- C-Card maps for registration and distribution venues
- C-Card registration and distribution forms
- Sexual health services posters (signposting to our website and social media)
- SH:24 posters
- ...and more!

Visit openclinic.org.uk/resources to view and download the posters.



C-Card Free Condom Scheme

The C-Card is a card that gives people quick and easy access to free condoms and lube from venues across Staffordshire. This service is available to anyone aged 13-24 and is confidential.

If you would like more information about the C-Card, or if you would like to sign up as a C-Card registration or distribution venue, contact the Sexual Health Prevention Team on 0300 124 5022 (option 4) or email mpftprevention@nhs.net



C-Card Reminder

Please return paperwork monthly to mpftprevention@nhs.net ensuring C-Card number, date and visit number are clearly recorded

Please remind anyone whose C-Card is almost full to get in touch with the Sexual Health Prevention Team for a new one

Email: mpftprevention@nhs.net

Phone: 0300 124 5022 (option 4)

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