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**April is STD Awareness Month**  
**St. Clair County Health Department Promotes Cover It, You Matter Campaign**

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs) are at a record high with more than two million cases of chlamydia, gonorrhea and syphilis reported in the United States in 2016. In St. Clair County, chlamydia infection increased from 447 cases in 2016 to 478 cases in 2017.

The CDC supports condom distribution programs to prevent the spread of STDs/HIV. The Health Department's "Cover It, You Matter" Campaign provides condom and informational packets to local partners for distribution to the public at no cost. If your business would like to participate in this campaign, contact (810) 987-5300.

Proper condom use is highly effective in reducing STDs, including HIV. Free condoms are also available at the Health Department main office, located at 3415 28th Street in Port Huron during regular business hours.

Know the risks, symptoms, and the steps you can take to protect yourself from STDs. Get tested. It's the only way to know if you have an STD. Confidential STD/HIV testing is available at the St. Clair County Health Department, Teen Health Center and our offsite clinic at The Center of Port Huron. Call the Health Department (810) 987-5300 or The Center (810) 987-8706. Those aged 10 – 21 can schedule an appointment at Teen Health Center (810) 987-1311. For more information, visit [www.scchealth.co](http://www.scchealth.co). Follow us on social media @scchdmi.

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