

# Opt-out HIV Testing

Santa Rosa Community Health - Pediatrics



# Santa Rosa Community Health Vision

Our vision is to improve the health and well-being of our community by transforming the health care experience so that all people have access to care and all people feel cared for; to create a lasting health care resource for our community; and to be an integral partner with the community in the promotion of health, education, and access to care.

We believe that equal access to health care is essential to social justice.



**DO YOU KNOW YOUR FACTS?**

**HOW IS HIV TRANSMITTED?**



# Frequently Asked Questions

## Opt-out HIV testing and education

### TRUE OR FALSE?

1. HIV can be spread through saliva, oral sex, or blood on the counter?
2. People living with HIV can live long active lives
3. HIV can be spread through blood, semen, vaginal, or rectal fluids.
4. I know at least one person living with HIV
5. There is no treatment to prevent HIV infection after exposure.
6. Acute HIV infection can show flu like symptoms.



# Frequently Asked Questions

## Importance of opt-out HIV testing and education

### TRUE OR FALSE?

7. Approximately 1 in 8 people in Sonoma County living with HIV do not know their status.
8. We only test certain gender or sexual preference for HIV.
9. There is a drug to prevent HIV infection, even if exposed on a semi-regular basis.
10. If a pregnant woman tests HIV+, her baby will also have HIV.



# California LAW AB446

**Written consent is no longer required to provide HIV test**  
**Medical care providers must:**

- Inform patients that an HIV test will be performed
- Provide information about the test
- Let patient know if positive, HIV treatment options are available
- Advise patient of their right to decline the HIV test
  - Document if HIV test is declined

## How do I offer HIV labs?

CA Law AB446 states that verbal consent is ok:

**“Our clinic routinely screens all patients for HIV.**

**We will test you this visit for HIV.**

**If your test is positive, treatment for HIV is available. OK?”**

Pair up and practice in English and Spanish