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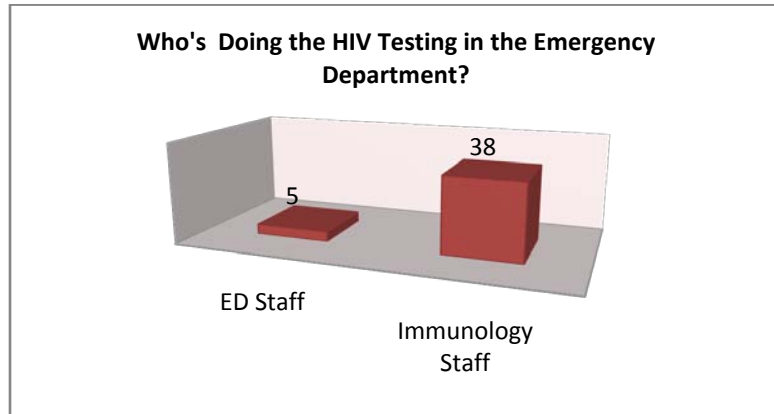
### HIV Testing Tips:

- Immunology Section (215) 427-5284
- HIV Testing can be recommended to all patients (14+) regardless of risk
- Verbal, Written or Electronic requests can be made in order to test a patient

### Quality Assurance:

- Rapid HIV Test Controls are run daily, Monday thru Friday by Andrea Johnson the Health Educator/HIV Testing Specialist. The Charge Nurse runs controls on Saturday & Sunday.
- HIV Rapid Test Kits & Paperwork are located in the Dirty Utility Room & the Disaster Closet.
- It is mandatory to complete the Consent Form, Lab Sheet and Demographic Form for every patient tested. These documents must be returned to the Log Book.

# Domestic Violence & HIV Screening Newsletter



## February is National Teen Dating Violence Awareness Month!

Physical and sexual abuse is the most often talked about piece of dating abuse. However, it may include verbal and emotional abuse as well.

- One in five teens who have been in a serious relationship report being hit, slapped or pushed by a partner.
- One in three teenagers report knowing a friend or peer who has been hit, punched, slapped, choked

or physically hurt by a

- One in four teenage girls who have been in relationships revealed that they have been pressured to perform oral sex or engage in intercourse.
- More than one in four teenage girls in a relationship report endured repeated verbal abuse.

Source: [www.loveisrespect.org](http://www.loveisrespect.org)

## Epidemiology of HIV Among Youth

The HIV pandemic continues to evolve among adolescents. In the U.S., many minority youth groups are disproportionately burdened by a number of factors including higher prevalence of HIV in their communities and lack of access to care that is culturally sensitive.

### Key Statistics on Adolescent HIV/AIDS:

- It is estimated that young people aged 13 - 24 account for 25% - 50% of new HIV infections every year. Because it is believed that many HIV-infected youth have not been tested, reported cases may under-represent the true extent of infection among youth.
- Among youth, HIV transmission occurs via sexual exposure.

### ➤ HIV Transmission among Young HIV-infected Males:

- Sexual contact with other men: 76%
- High-risk heterosexual contact: 11.5%
- Injection drug use: 7.5%
- Sex with other men & injection drug use: 4.5%
- Other (including perinatal infection): 0.5%

### ➤ HIV Transmission among Young HIV-infected Females:

- High-risk heterosexual contact: 85%
- Injection drug use: 14%
- Other (including perinatal infection): 1%

Source: [www.hivcareforyouth.org](http://www.hivcareforyouth.org)

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