

STDs and HIV in Seniors

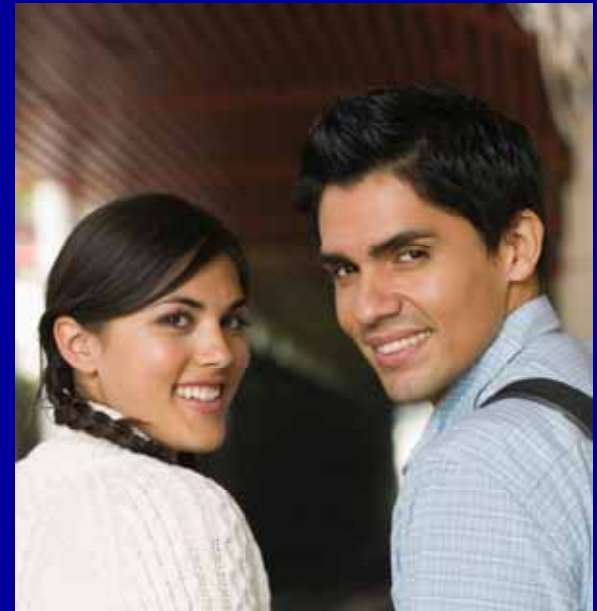
“Sex Re-education”

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Sex Education 101

- Target youth
 - Prevent pregnancy
 - Prevent sexually transmitted diseases (STDs)
- STDs and/or HIV prevention
 - Young adults
 - Gay population
 - IV drug users



What about people over 50?

- Pregnancy
- Know less about STDs and HIV
- Less likely to talk to about sex lives or drug use with doctors
- Doctors don't tend to ask about sex or drug use



Background

- Review reports of STD rates in DeKalb
- Observed high rates in the over 50 population
- Requests made by seniors for information on STDs and HIV



STDs in persons ≥ 50 years in DeKalb County

- Chlamydia 1% (48 persons)¹
- Gonorrhea 2% (62 persons)¹
- Syphilis 13% (74 persons)¹
- AIDS 19.1% (857 persons)²



¹ 2006 data from DeKalb County Board of Health and STD. Epidemiology Section, Division of Public Health, Georgia Department of Human Resources

² HIV/AIDS Epidemiology Section, Division of Public Health, Georgia Department of Human Resources

Community Intervention

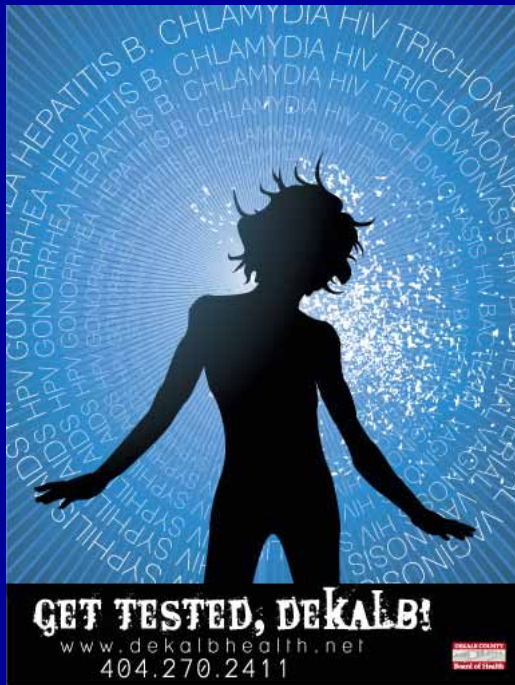
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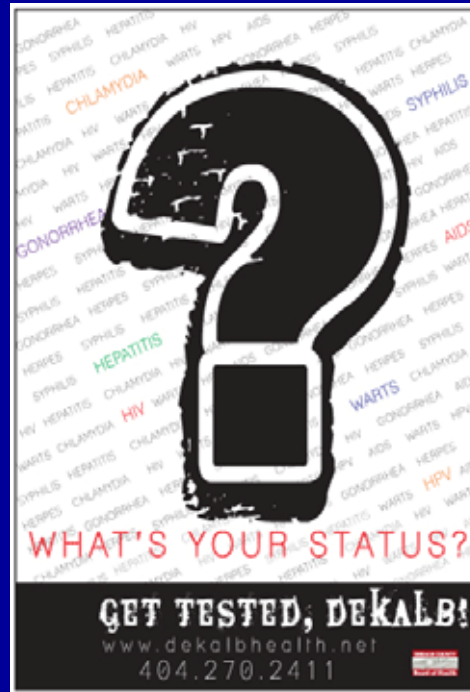
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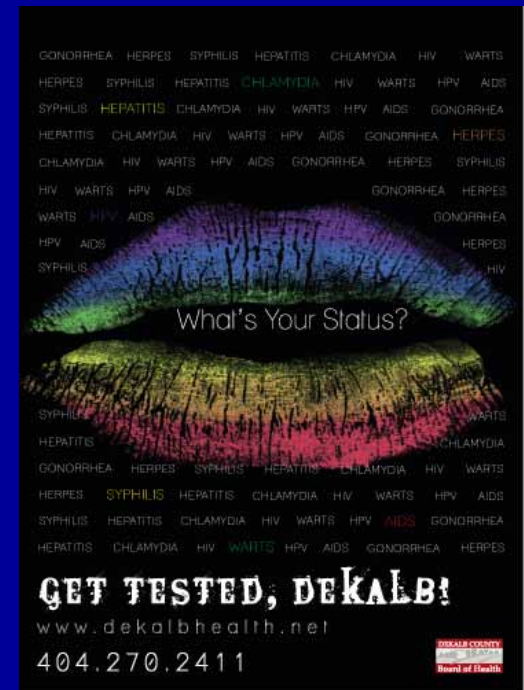


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Facts for Life

- Older adults are staying sexually active longer, putting them at increased risk for infection with STDs
- Viagra[®], Cialis[®] and other drugs allow for sexual activity which increases risk for infection with STDs

Be Proactive

- Talk to your partner
- Talk about it with your doctor
 - Let them know you are sexually active
 - Ask to be tested for STDs and HIV
- Protect Yourself, Educate Others



Public Health Impact

- Very receptive to information
- Happy to have forum for open dialogue
- Thoughtful questions
- Requested more information



Thank you

