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What does the examination involve?

After talking with you, the doctor will decide which parts of your body need to be looked at. If the doctor needs to look at your anus or genitals, you will be asked to take some of your clothes off. This means the doctor can check you properly. No one else will see you when this happens.

If needed, the doctor will look inside your anus with a small tube called a proctoscope. The proctoscope has a rounded end, which means it easily slides inside when lubricant is applied to the top. The doctor will look through a hole in the tube to see inside your anus for any problems. Some fluid from inside your anus might be collected for a test.

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How will I get the test results?

Some results will be given to you immediately. You need to return to the clinic to collect the other results.

What does an STI & HIV check up involve?

This series of 12 fact sheets including:

- Male Anogenital anatomy
- Anogenital ulcer
- What infections am I at risk of when having sex?
- How to put on a condom?
- Male to Female Genital surgery
- Genital warts
- Hormone Therapy for Male to Female Transgender People
- Proctitis
- What can happen to me if I am raped?
- Scrotal swelling
- What does an STI & HIV check up involve?
- Urethral discharge



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How do you get an STI and HIV check up?

Many doctors can do STI and HIV testing but you might prefer to go to a clinic for MSM and transgender people.

What happens when you arrive at the clinic?

When you arrive at the clinic you will be asked to fill out a form. You will be asked to write your name, birthday, sex, and other information to help identify you. Get someone to help you if you are unsure about the form. Usually, you will be given a number that matches your file at the clinic. The number is used to label any tests you have. You must remember this number to identify yourself at the next visit.

Who sees the information about me?

All information you provide is confidential. It will not be shown to anyone outside the clinic. You must provide permission before any information that identifies you is given to other people.



The doctor will ask you questions, examine you and take tests.

What is this information used for?

This information is used to make a file. The doctor will write notes on this file about your medical problem. The information is also used to check how well the clinic is running.

What questions will the doctor ask me?

The doctor will ask you questions about your health and your body. There will be personal questions, for example, what you do when you have sex and whether you have any problems with your genitals or anus. It is important to be honest because it helps the doctor to work out if you have a problem.

Why should I go to a different clinic to other people?

People working at this clinic are specially trained to care for MSM and transgender people. They also know what special problems you might have, how to check for them and treat them.

What happens when I see the doctor?

There are two main things that happen when you see the doctor. You will be asked questions and you will be examined. The doctor may also take some tests and give you treatment if you need it.