

Together We Are



Oral PrEP FAQ

PrEP is a pill you take to give you extra protection against HIV

PrEP is extremely effective at protecting against HIV when taken as prescribed

PrEP is a powerful HIV prevention method you can control on your own

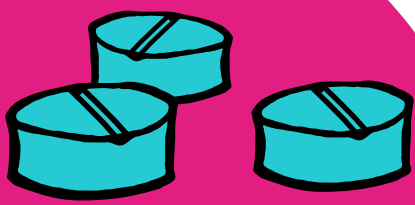
Who is PrEP for?

- PrEP is for people who are HIV-negative that want to have an extra layer of protection against HIV
- There are many reasons you may consider PrEP:
 - You don't use condoms every time you have sex
 - You or your partner(s) have more than one sexual partners (or you are unsure)
 - Your partner(s) is living with HIV or you do not know their status



How does PrEP work?

- PrEP puts a small dose of medicine in your blood; if the HIV virus ever enters your body, PrEP blocks the virus so that it cannot make you ill
- Oral PrEP is taken once a day, for as long as needed--it takes 7 days for it to be fully protective
- Most people experience no side effects from PrEP
- PrEP does not protect against other sexually transmitted infections or pregnancy
- In the future, you may be able to choose between many forms of PrEP including an injection, and/or a vaginal ring



Is PrEP safe?

- Oral PrEP is approved by the World Health Organization for use by anyone who wants to protect themselves from HIV, including young people, and pregnant and breastfeeding women
- PrEP has been safely taken by millions around the world
- PrEP won't affect your ability to get pregnant in the future



Why do people like PrEP?

- Using PrEP is a proactive choice to keep yourself healthy and HIV-free
- It can help you worry less about HIV and more about having a strong relationship and chasing your dreams
- PrEP users have said: "PrEP makes me feel my body is POWERFUL!"

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PEP vs. PrEP?

- PEP is for people who have **likely been exposed to HIV in the past 72 hours**. It involves taking medication for 28 days
 - PrEP is for clients who think they could be exposed to HIV currently or in the future
 - Your health worker can advise your decision to use PEP vs. PrEP

