# Advanced Sexually Transmitted Infection Cases

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### Objectives

Participants should be able to:

- Discuss clinical presentation, workup, and treatment of common STIs
- Review and reference current/updated guidelines for screening and treatment of STIs
- Recognize atypical STI presentations and treatment options

# Sex & Gender

- Assigned sex at birth (AMAB or AFAB)
- Gender = social and cultural distinctions mapped on biology
- Sexuality = attraction, behaviors, orientation



# STI Screening

Patient admits to: Patient is at risk for:

• Receptive vaginal sex with condom • HSV, HPV, MC, infestation, syphilis

...As well as...

- Receiving oral sex (vaginal only)
- Giving oral sex
- Receptive anal sex condomless
- Sharing sex toys (vaginal)
  - With female partners

...As well as...

- Vaginal gc/Ct, syphilis, HIV
- Oral gc/Ct, syphilis, HIV
- Rectal gc/Ct, LGV, syphilis, HIV
- Vaginal gc/Ct, syphilis, HIV
  - Trichomonas, bacterial vaginosis

### Gonorrhea/Chlamydia Screening

Screen for gc/Ct



#### based on

1) exposure route 2) local guidelines 3) population prevalence

#### Screen women ≤25y annually



Screen MSM annually (Q3-6 mo for MSM at high risk)

\*Screening for pharyngeal Ct is not recommended due to low prevalence



# HIV Testing and Window Periods



CDC 2014

### Men who have Sex with Men

MSM (Men who have sex with men) – a heterogeneous population of men who engage in sexual behaviors involving men

#### MSM may identify as:

Gay Men who identify their sexual orientation as "gay"

Bisexual Sexual attraction to more than 1 gender

Heterosexual Sexual attraction to female presenting partners

Gender nonbinary Behavior/appearance does not conform with norms

Transgender Gender assigned at birth does not match identity

\*Identities may be temporary, before sexual debut, or after sexual sunset

# Consensual Non-Monogamy (CNM)

- Relationship structure with partners other than primary
- Examples: open, swingers, monogamish, unilateral, medical
- CNM partners



Express similar rates of both commitment and jealousy

as monogamous partners

# HIV Preexposure Prophylaxis (PrEP)



- Tenofovir/Emtricitabine coformulation daily
- >99% effective at reducing risk of HIV acquisition
- "Safer than Aspirin"
- PrEP use is "protected" per CDC
- Potential for pericoital dosing, injectable, etc.
  - ONLY DAILY ORAL F/TAF & F/TDF are approved at this time

### Proctitis

Rectal inflammation with pain, discharge, bleeding +/- tenesmus and spasm Differential:

- Idiopathic
- Inflammatory Bowel Disease
- Infection: ie C Diff
- Ct/gc/LGV/HSV/syphilis



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#### Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STDs)

#### UPDATED GONORRHEA TREATMENT RECOMMENDATIONS

CDC's updated recommendations for the treatment of uncomplicated gonorrhea in adolescents and adults: twodrug approach no longer recommended; treat with just one 500 mg injection of ceftriaxone.



#### Resistance Trends 2000-2018



# 2020 CDC Guidelines Update: Gc Treatment

#### Ceftriaxone 500 mg IM once

•Alternative: Gentamicin 240 mg IM once + Azithromycin 2 g PO once OR Cefixime 800 mg PO Once

•Weight ≥150 kg (300 lb), ceftriaxone 1g IM once

•If chlamydial infection has not been excluded:

doxycycline 100 mg PO BID x 7 days.

Pharyngeal gc exceptions

•No alternative to ceftriaxone, consult infectious diseases specialist

•If chlamydia coinfection is identified treat:

doxycycline 100 mg PO BID x 7 days

#### Treatment Across All Settings 2018



CDC 2019

### Lymphogranuloma Venereum (LGV)

- Chlamydia Trachomatis serovars L1, L2, L3
- Inguinal/femoral lymphadenopathy
- +/- anogenital ulceration & severe proctitis
- Clinical diagnosis, specific diagnostic testing not widely available
- Rx: Doxycyline 100mg BID x 21 days
  - Partners treated with 1g azithromycin

### Anal Intercourse & Heterosexual Identity



70% Deny Heterosexual Al

30% Report Heterosexual AI

20-30% Report Condom Use During Al

70-80% Deny Condom Use During AI

#### Estimated Risk of Acquiring HIV from an Infected Source



CDC 2015

#### Anal Ulcers

- Differential
  - Fissure
  - Traumatic
  - Severe dermatitis
  - HSV
  - LGV
  - Syphilis
  - Malignancy (SCC)

# Syphilis

- Primary syphilis painless Chancre
- But, anal chancre can be painful
- Firm, well demarcated ulcer
- Appears 2-6 weeks post exposure
- Treponemal Ab testing ~6 wks
  - TPPA, FTA-ABS
- RPR testing ~6-8 wks

### Syphilis Reverse Sequence Testing

- Treponema Pallidum Ab testing reflexed to RPR
- Pro: sooner detection, reduced risk of false positive
- Cons: limited use in patients with history of syphilis

# Syphilis Management

- "Significant change" 2 fold change in titer
  - $1:2 \rightarrow 1:8 = \text{think new infection}$
- Cure is a 4 fold decrease in titer @ 6 mos
  - 1:64  $\rightarrow$  1:2 = resolved infection
- Caveats: Inter- intra- lab variability, Serofast
- Rx: Benzathine PCN 2.4 million U IM
  - 1 dose: 1° or 2° infection, infection <1 yr (early latent)
  - 3 dose: late latent infection. >12 mo
- IV PCN G if neuro involvement



# STI Prophylaxis

#### 2 Pilot Clinical Trials have shown doxycycline as a potential STI prophylaxis

- <u>Doxycyline 100mg daily in HIV-positive MSM</u>
  - 30 men who have had syphilis 2x+ since their HIV infection
  - No difference in risk behavior between groups
  - 70% reduction in acquisition of any STI (trend to Ct and syphilis)
  - >60% adherence by serum drug levels
- Doxycycline 100 mg 2 tab 72 hrs post-coital in MSM on PrEP
  - 232 HIV-negative MSM on intermittent PrEP
  - Median 7 pills per month (max 6 pills per week)
  - No difference in risk behavior between groups
  - ~70% less likely to acquire syphilis or Chalmydia

**Doxycycline for STI prophylaxis is OFF-LABEL** 

Bolan 2015, Molina 2017 (CROI2017)

# Sexual History Taking

Why do we take a sexual history?

- Determine screening, diagnostics, treatments, and immunizations
- Document rationale for expensive testing

Is counselling on safer sex effective?

- Make patients aware their risks
- Not counselling may be perceived as condoning behavior

Sexual History not one size fits all; there is no formula

> Focus on Behaviors & Anatomy

### Ulcerative Genital Disease Differential

- Syphilis
  - HSV
- Trauma
  - LGV
- Chanchroid
- Granuloma Inguinale
  - Something else?

# Chancroid

- Caused by H. ducreyi
- Diagnosis is clinical
  - Painful genital ulcer(s) and inguinal adenopathy
  - R/O syphilis and HSV
- Increases risk of HIV acquisition
- Treatment (any of the following)
  - Azithromycin 1g PO once
  - Ceftriaxone 250mg IM once
  - Ciprofloxacin 300mg PO x 3d
  - Erythromycin 500mg PO x 7d
- Extremely rare in the US and no commercially available lab test

### Granuloma Inguinale (Donovanosis)

- Caused by Klebsiella granulomatis
- Painless, slowely progressive anogenital ulcers without lymphadenopathy
- Treatment doxycycline 100mg BID x 21 days until all lesions have completely healed
- Extremely rare in the US and no commercially available lab test

#### Primary Genital HSV Features

- Extragenital manifestations common
- Fever, HA, malaise, myalgias
- Aseptic meningitis rare
- New lesions can manifest 4-10d after onset

#### Recurrent Genital HSV Features

- Prodromal symptoms common but not always
- Recurrences in similar cutaneous distribution
- HSV 2 recurrence more common 4-5x a year

### Primary Treatment

Acyclovir	400mg	TID	7-10 days
	200mg	5x/D	7-10 days
Valacyclovir	1000mg	BID	7-10 days
Famciclovir	250mg	TID	7-10 days

Treatment can be extended if healing is incomplete after 10 days of therapy.

### Recurrent Treatment (within 72 hrs)

Acyclovir	400mg	TID	5 days	
	800mg	BID	5 days	
	800mg	TID	2 days	
Valacyclovir	500mg	BID	3 days	
	1g	QD	5 days	
Famciclovir	125mg	BID	5 days	
	1g	BID	1 day	
	500mg once followed by 250mg BID x 2 da			

If HSV2 or frequent recurrences consider suppressive therapy

#### Drug Resistant HSV

**OFF-LABEL** therapy for antiviral resistant HSV

- Cidofovir topical 1%-3% QD-BID
- Cidofovir IV 5mg/kg once weekly
- Foscarnet 40-80mg/kg IV Q8hrs until clinical resolution

# Sexually Transmissable Enteric Infections

- Giardia lamblia and Hystolitica entamoeba
  - Diarrhea, gas, flatulence, cramping, nausea, dehydration, or NO SYMPTOMS
  - Dx 3 stool samples on separate days ("ova and parasites")
- Giardia treatment
  - Metronidazole 250 mg PO TID x 5-7 days
  - Tinidazole 2g PO once
  - Albendazole 400mg PO QD x 5 days
- H. entamoeba treatment
  - Metronidazole 750 mg PO TID x 10 days
  - Followed by paromomycin 50mg TID x 7 days (IF symptomatic or cysts on examination of samples)



Hepatitis A

- Oral-fecal transmission
- HAV vaccination recommended for MSM
- Supportive management
- 10-15% relapse in 6 months
- PEP with vaccine or immunoglobulin

# Sexual Transmission of Hepatitis

#### HBV

- Vaccine recommended for all patients
- PEP with HBV vaccination or immunoglobulin
- Check titers if at risk for occupational and non-occupational exposure

#### HCV

- Transmission with fisting and anal intercourse
- ↑ risk in MSM, HIV-positive, and PrEP users
- No known postexposure prophylaxis (PEP)
- Several multidrug PO treatments available



# Human Papillomavirus (HPV)

- The most common STI
- Can affect the genital, mouth, & anus
- LR HPV can cause condyloma (uncommon)
- HR HPV can cause cancer

"Most sexually active people who are not vaccinated get HPV infection at some point in their lives, even if they only have one sexual partner."

-NYC DOH

# **HPV Vaccination**

- Recommended up to age 26, considered up to age 45
- For ages 27-45 consider:
  - Prior exposure to HPV
  - Potential for future exposure to HPV
  - Cost/insurance coverage
- No current recommendation for HPV9 after HPV4



#### AAPA CME

Basic Principles of Culturally Sensitive Care of Sexual & Gender Diverse Patients (Including LGBTQ+) HPV: Here, There, and Everywhere Prescribing HIV Prevention: Preexposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Getting to the Bottom of Anorectal Pathology Caring for Gender Diverse Patients in Your Practice Toward Health Equity: Social Determinants of Health & PA Practice

# Questions?





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