

## STI Partner Services Interview Period

The interview period is the time interval for which an index patient is asked to recall their sex partners. The interview period is based on patient diagnosis and incorporates maximum incubation and infectious periods that vary with the specific infection. The interview period should not be shortened, regardless of patient symptoms, serological history, or incidental treatment. If the patient claims having had no partners during the interview period, then the most recent partner before the interview period should be identified and notified.

Interview period					
Chlamydia or Gonorrhea		Syphilis			HIV
Symptomatic	Asymptomatic	Primary	Secondary	Early latent	
60 days before onset of symptoms through date of treatment	60 days before date of specimen collection (through date of treatment if patient was not treated at time specimen was collected)	4 months and 1 week before date of onset of primary lesion through date of treatment	8 months before date of onset of secondary symptoms through date of treatment	1 year before start of treatment	<p>Current or former spouses during 10 years before diagnosis.</p> <p>All others: 1 to 2 years before date of first diagnosis through date of interview. Period may be shortened if evidence of recent infection or if verified previous negative test results are available from within the standard interview period.</p>