

Welcome to our latest quarterly newsletter, this issue features information on:

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Sexual Health Week 2024

Sexual Health Week 2024 runs from 9th-15th September, and this year's theme is "Are You Feeling It?", exploring the links between sexual health and mental health.

Brook, a national sexual health charity who run the campaign, have a number of events and resources available, including:

- Big RSE Lesson Live
- Webinar for Professionals
- Campaign Toolkit (e.g. posters/social media graphics)

Find out more on their website brook.org.uk/shw

We will be sharing information about the week, linking in with the national campaign and promoting local services on our social media channels.



Mpx - Sexual Health Not Currently Providing Vaccines

We do not have any mpx vaccines in our services and cannot offer vaccination against mpx.

Mpx vaccination is currently being reviewed at a national level.

We will continue to add any updates to our website www.openclinic.org.uk, but please do not refer people to sexual health services for vaccines at present.



Bishton Court Clinic Changes on Wednesdays

Our Wednesday walk-in clinic at Bishton Court in Telford will be **changing to a booked appointment clinic** from 4th September.

Find the latest clinic opening times on our website at openclinic.org.uk/clinics



Prevention Team at New Academic Year Events

The Sexual Health Prevention Team, who provide C-Card services and sexual health information in community settings, will be attending a number of events at local education venues in the new academic year.

The Team has bespoke "Student Sexual Health Packs" to give out as part of the C-Card scheme, with a variety of condoms and lube to engage young people and encourage conversations around condom use and safer sex.

If you would like the Prevention Team to visit your venue, please email SexualHealthComms@mpft.nhs.uk.



Sexual Health Communications Pack for Partner Agencies

We have recently created a Sexual Health Communications Pack for Partner Agencies, containing a range of sexual health information/resources for a variety of purposes, including websites, newsletters and social media.

Your organisation can then choose the most suitable content to promote sexual health services within your venue or on your channels.

Find the Sexual Health Communications Pack for Partner Agencies on the resources section of our website, www.openclinic.org.uk/resources.



LGBTQ+ Website Section Reminder

In June, we updated and redesigned the LGBTQ+ Sexual Health section of our website, to ensure it contained relevant and useful information to the local LGBTQ+ community. The new section features specific sexual health pages for men who have sex with men, women who have sex with women and trans and non-binary people. This can be accessed at www.openclinic.org.uk/lgbtq

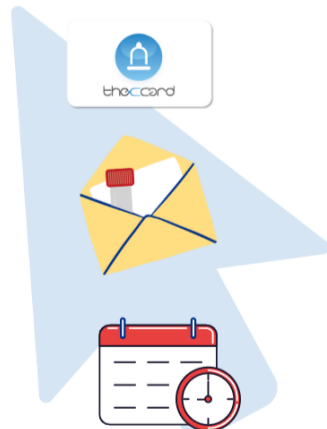


Services Available Online

Did you know that we have a number of services available online, to improve the access of our services to the local community? These include:

- C-Card registration and distribution
- Self-taken STI testing kits
- Online booking

These services can all be accessed via our website, www.openclinic.org.uk



C-Card Reminder

C-Card paperwork must be returned by the 5th of the month, to one of the following email addresses:

- Stoke-on-Trent and North Staffordshire: SexualHealthOrders@mpft.nhs.uk
- South Staffordshire: SexualHealthPrevention@mpft.nhs.uk
- Shropshire: SexualHealth.Shropshire@mpft.nhs.uk
- Telford: Telford.Prevention@mpft.nhs.uk

There is no longer an upper age limit to C-Card; it is available to people aged 13+ in all areas.