

# USING NORMALIZING AND OPT-OUT LANGUAGE



## Syphilis Screening in Clients at Increased Risk

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To keep you healthy, we recommend screening for syphilis, which is a common infection that may not have symptoms. To make sure we use the correct test, can you tell me if you have ever had syphilis in the past?

### + If Client Answers **YES**

Ask for the location, date/year, and medication received. Do not perform POC testing—**order lab-based syphilis test.**

### — If Client Answers **NO**

Perform POC Testing

### ? If Client is **UNSURE**

Ask if they ever received two penicillin injections in the hip. If they cannot remember, perform POC testing, and if reactive, send confirmation to lab.

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## Syphilis Screening in Communities with High Prevalence



We recommend a test for syphilis to everyone because of the high rates in our community. To make sure we use the correct test, can you tell me if you have ever had syphilis in the past?

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