

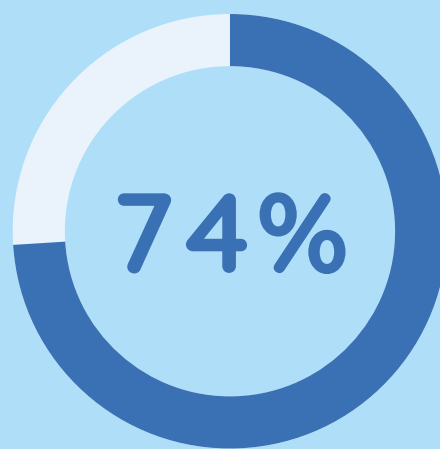
Get PrEPed Before You Inject: PrEP 101 for People Who Share Injection Equipment



What is PrEP?

Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) is a medication to protect against HIV. Two medications are approved for daily use as PrEP to help prevent a person without HIV from getting the virus from sex or sharing injection equipment.

How effective is PrEP?



Among people who share injection equipment (i.e., needles, syringes, cookers, etc.), PrEP is 74% effective when taken as prescribed by a medical provider.



Is PrEP right for me?

PrEP can prevent HIV if you are HIV-negative and any of the following apply to you:

- You **share injection equipment** with an injection partner(s) with HIV, other sexually transmitted infections (STIs), or their status is unknown.
- You have had **condomless anal or vaginal sex in the past six months** and you have a sexual partner with a **detectable** HIV viral load, or have been diagnosed with an STI in the past six months.
- You have been **prescribed PEP (post-exposure prophylaxis)**.

I've decided PrEP might be right for me, what now?

- Speak with your provider about your options and take PrEP as prescribed.
- Visit Michigan.gov/MIPrEP to find a PrEP Navigator or provider.
- Find [local syringe service programs](#) for harm reduction strategies.
- PrEP does not protect against STIs or other bloodborne diseases, such as hepatitis B and C, that can be spread through the sharing of injection equipment.
- Since PrEP does not prevent other STIs, use [safe sex practices](#) every time you have sex.

