SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS (STI)
NATIONAL STRATEGIC PLAN
FOR THE UNITED STATES: 2021-2025

Goals and Objectives

GOAL 1: PREVENT NEW STIs

Objectives
1.1 Increase awareness of STIs and sexual health
1.2 Expand implementation of quality, comprehensive STI primary prevention activities
1.3 Increase completion rates of routinely recommended HPV vaccination
1.4 Increase the capacity of public health, health care delivery systems, and the health workforce to prevent STIs

GOAL 2: IMPROVE THE HEALTH OF PEOPLE BY REDUCING ADVERSE OUTCOMES OF STIs

Objectives
2.1 Expand high-quality affordable STI secondary prevention, including screening, care, and treatment, in communities and populations most impacted by STIs
2.2 Work to effectively identify, diagnose, and provide holistic care and treatment for people with STIs by increasing the capacity of public health, health care delivery systems, and the health workforce

GOAL 3: ACCELERATE PROGRESS IN STI RESEARCH, TECHNOLOGY, AND INNOVATION

Objectives
3.1 Support research and investments to develop STI vaccines and bring them to market
3.2 Support the development and uptake of STI multipurpose prevention technologies, antimicrobial prophylaxis regimens, and other preventive products and strategies
3.3 Support the development and uptake of innovative STI diagnostic technologies, therapeutic agents, and other interventions for the identification and treatment of STIs, including new and emerging disease threats
3.4 Identify, evaluate, and scale up best practices in STI prevention and treatment, including through translational, implementation, and communication science research

GOAL 4: REDUCE STI-RELATED HEALTH DISPARITIES AND HEALTH INEQUITIES

Objectives
4.1 Reduce stigma and discrimination associated with STIs
4.2 Expand culturally competent and linguistically appropriate STI prevention, care, and treatment services in communities disproportionately impacted by STIs
4.3 Address STI-related social determinants of health and co-occurring conditions

GOAL 5: ACHIEVE INTEGRATED, COORDINATED EFFORTS THAT ADDRESS THE STI EPIDEMIC

Objectives
5.1 Integrate programs to address the syndemic of STIs, HIV, viral hepatitis, and substance use disorders
5.2 Improve quality, accessibility, timeliness, and use of data related to STIs and social determinants of health
5.3 Improve mechanisms to measure, monitor, evaluate, report, and disseminate progress toward achieving national STI goals