

STIF *Intermediate* Competency

LEARNING OUTCOMES

Knowledge and Understanding

When you complete your studies for this STIF *Intermediate* Competency Training and Assessment programme, you will have knowledge and understanding of:

- KU1 the principles of service provision for Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs)
- KU2 the issues relating to confidentiality and partner notification
- KU3 common STIs and related conditions, their presentation, diagnosis and management
- KU4 how to prevent transmission of STIs
- KU5 when to refer patients to specialist services

Cognitive Skills

On completion of this STIF *Intermediate* Competency Training and Assessment programme, you will have developed the following cognitive skills:

- CS6 compare, evaluate and apply local and national guidelines to manage a patient within a level 2 or 3 sexual health service (England), including onward referral where appropriate.
- CS7 able to evaluate the ways in which the lifestyle and circumstances of patients/clients may reflect in their presentation and impact on their management
- CS8 able to analyse how the range of human sexuality, lifestyles and culture impacts on transmission and approaches to prevention and risk reduction
- CS9 critically reflect on your experience and demonstrate a commitment to ongoing learning and development.
- CS10 able to critically evaluate how personal beliefs and values of the clinician could affect the consultation

Key Skills

When you complete this STIF *Intermediate* Competency Training and Assessment programme, you will be able to:

- KS11 draw on a range of resources to provide evidence-based management to people presenting to your service with sexual and reproductive health needs
- KS12 articulate your contribution to risk reduction and STI prevention in your own service
- KS13 reflect on the essential role of effective partner notification when dealing with an infectious disease
- KS14 demonstrate the consolidation and development of your knowledge and clinical competence to meet the needs of a diverse range of patients/clients.

Practical and/or Professional Skills

When you complete this STIF *Intermediate* Competency Training and Assessment programme, you will be able to:

- PPS15 assess and appraise a patient through history, examination and special investigations to compile a working diagnosis.
- PPS16 use appropriate terminology when discussing sex with patients and understand why this is important
- PPS17 inform patients on reducing their risk of sexual infections and their risk of unplanned pregnancy
- PPS18 optimise care pathways for patients through improved links with local GUM /sexual health (TOP, Contraception, psychosexual), and microbiology services
- PPS19 Assess, raise and discuss legal and ethical impacts of behaviours that may present within a sexual health service