

# Managing the Sexual Health of Your Patient: Screening, Treatment and Counseling



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## Our Challenges

- Geography
- Funding
- Staffing
- Competing/Complementary Programs
- Surveillance
- Transition of IPP
- Private sector

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## Planning Process

- Cicatelli
- USVI Family Planning and STD Departments
- NYC
- AETC
- Presenters
- Our two Physicians

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## Finally, the Conference!

- Participants:
  - 250 DOH Staff,
  - private MDs,
  - ER,
  - Nurses, Nursing Students, School Nurses,
  - Counselors,
  - Family Planners,
  - IPP partners

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## Our Agenda, Medical

- Epidemiology of STDs and HIV in the USVI
- Overview of the 2006 STD CDC Guidelines with emphasis on Ct and GC
- Providing Optimal STD Care with Limited Resources
- Working lunch – HIV
- USVI DOH Resources and Reporting of STDs to the DOH
- Sexual History Taking
- Client – Centered Counseling

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## Our Counseling Days

- Local Epidemiology especially focused on the youth and STD basics
- Exploration of own attitudes and beliefs around sexual health in teens
- Adolescent development
- Core skills training for counselors
- Referrals

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## Who came?

- MEDICAL
  - 65 women > 10 men, GYN 10, Pedi 9, Internal Medicine 8,
  - MDs 12, APRN/ PA 5, RNs 33, LPNs 6. Most worked in General Medicine, student health, STD/HIV, reproductive health
- Counseling

- School nurses, family planners,

They heard of us by word of mouth > flyer 21 > email > workplace

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## And they liked,

- The presenters
- The content
- CME / CEU opportunities

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## But didn't like,

- Location
- Cold meals
- Reporting STDs to the DOH
- Partner notification

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**Lessons Learned**

- Technology failed us
- Centralized location
- Most important is how to bring in more MDs out of private practices...weekend
- School personnel and nurses could have come on weekday

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**What happened after the conference?**

- OB/GYN Departments
- Local Pediatricians

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**Thank you**

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**Our Presenters**  
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**Florida/Caribbean AETC**  
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