



SHARP News

Sexual Partner

Counseling and Referral - Volunteers Needed to Pilot Test New Self-Study Course

Physicians, nurses, health educators, IDCs, PMTs, EHOs, and Corpsmen – SHARP needs your help. SHARP has developed a new self-study course entitled “Sexual Partner Counseling and Referral – Information for Navy Health Care Providers”. The goal of partner counseling and referral is to alert people who have been exposed to sexually transmitted infections and facilitate appropriate testing and treatment. When done successfully, partner referrals benefit the original patient, the partner, and the community.

This self-study course is structured around the curriculum of a 3-day resident course developed by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) for HIV partner referrals. The SHARP course introduces the student to the CDC’s 11-step HIV-referral model and adds information about the referral of partners infected with other sexually transmitted infections. The course covers important counseling concepts and the four partner referral options.

The course may be completed in only a few hours.

Volunteers will receive an e-mailed copy of the student manual, and will be asked to complete and return a pilot test questionnaire and the 33-question open-book examination not later than **25 July 2002**. Your feedback will be used to improve the course and to apply for continuing education credit approval of the course.

Thank you in advance for your support!

“Chart a Safe Course”

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