



# SHARP News



## SHARP Training in Portsmouth, VA 1-3 April 2003

Navy Environmental Health Center will host SHARP training from 1-3 April 2003 in Portsmouth Naval Medical Center, building 215 (the "old" medical center), deck 11, Berglund Room. Seating is limited to 12 students. Training events will include:

**HIV-STD Prevention Counseling** (2-day course; 0800-1630, Tues-Weds, 1-2 April). This course teaches an evidence-based model and skills to reduce risky sexual behavior among patients who have demonstrated increased risk. Students learn about barriers to behavior change, and engage in role-play scenarios to assist patients with the development of an action plan to reduce future risk in their lives. Continuing education credit is awarded. **Target Audience:** Physicians, Independent Duty Corpsmen, nurses, Preventive Medicine Technicians, PM Representatives, and PM Petty Officers.

**Sexual Partner Counseling and Referral** (5-hr course; 0800-1300, Thurs, 3 April). This new course teaches a CDC model and skills to enable health professionals and patients to bring to treatment the sexual partners of patients diagnosed with sexually transmitted infections. Students learn the 11-step process, how to increase patient understanding of partner referral, and how to motivate patients to work with health care providers in this prevention activity. Students engage in role play scenarios to coach patients and help them successfully participate in sexual partner referral. Navy-specific issues are also discussed. **Target Audience:** Physicians, Independent Duty Corpsmen, nurses, Preventive Medicine Technicians, PM Representatives, and PM Petty Officers.

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