

Connections

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CDC released a newly updated [Health Education Analysis Tool \(or HECAT\)](#) through an [online platform](#). The HECAT is an assessment tool that can help school districts and educators perform a complete and consistent analysis of their health education curricula. Schools can use the results of a HECAT assessment to select or develop effective health education curricula, along with enhance existing curricula. This

improves the delivery of health education to help build healthy behaviors and healthy outcomes among school age youth.

Along with notable revisions to the sexual health module, the tool contains eight other modules. These include:

- alcohol and other drugs,
- food and nutrition,
- mental and emotional health,
- personal health and wellness,
- physical activity,
- violence prevention,
- safety, and
- tobacco.

New Sexually Transmitted Infections (STI) Treatment Guidelines, 2021

CDC released the [STI Treatment Guidelines, 2021](#). These include updated treatment recommendations for chlamydia, trichomoniasis, and pelvic inflammatory disease. CDC released [updated treatment guidelines on gonorrhea](#) late last year.

There are also several [online provider resources](#), including an updated wall chart and pocket guide, as well as access to training and technical resources.



New HIV Surveillance Special Report

CDC published data from the 2019 cycle (June 2019–May 2020) of the [Medical Monitoring Project \(MMP\)](#). The MMP is an annual, cross-sectional complex sample survey that reports nationally representative estimates of behavioral and clinical characteristics of adults with diagnosed HIV infection in the United States. The [latest report](#) shows that, among adults with diagnosed HIV, an estimated 79% remained in care during the past 12 months. Approximately 61% of adults sustained viral suppression, defined as having all viral loads during the past 12 months as being undetectable.

New from CDC

[Back to School Resources](#)

[Classroom Management Webpages](#)

[CDC's STI Treatment Guidelines: Using History to Inform the Future of STD Management](#)

[Questions and Answers About Tuberculosis: Now in Spanish, Tagalog, and Vietnamese](#)

[Viral Hepatitis Surveillance and Case Management](#)

Upcoming Events

[September 1-30: National Sexual Health Awareness Month](#)

[September 18: National HIV/AIDS Aging Awareness Day](#)

[September 21: Webinar on Considerations for the New Four-Month Rifampine Moxifloxacin Regimen for Drug-Susceptible TB in the United States](#)

[September 27: National Gay Men's HIV/AIDS Awareness Day](#)

[October 15: National Latinx HIV/AIDS Awareness Day](#)

On the Web

[Podcast: For Adults with HIV, Lack of Viral Suppression is Linked to Lower Case Engagement and Increased Barriers to Use](#)

