

Maternal Syphilis Screening Checklist For Providers

STI Provider Support Line
602-506-STIS (7847)

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CDC STI
Treatment
Guidelines
2021



Test pregnant women for syphilis:

1. **First prenatal visit**
2. **Between 28-32 weeks**
3. **Again at delivery**



Recognize common syphilis signs:

- Mucosal lesions on the genitals and/or in the mouth
- Rash on the hands, feet or torso



Test pregnant women for syphilis following fetal death of greater than 20 weeks' gestation



Refer partners for treatment to prevent maternal reinfection



Treat pregnant women diagnosed with syphilis with benzathine penicillin G according to infection stage per CDC STI guidelines



Call 602-506-STIS (7847) to:

- Report all maternal and congenital syphilis cases, including syphilitic stillbirths or miscarriages, to the health department
- Receive provider assistance and have questions answered



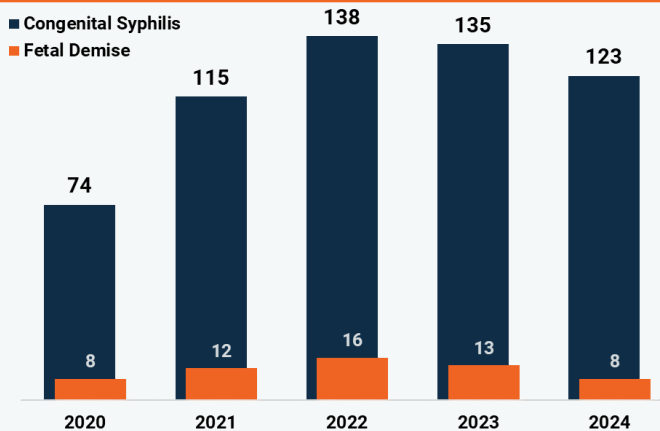
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Know the Facts

- In **2023 Arizona's syphilis rates remained high**
 - **AZ ranked #4** in the US for **congenital syphilis**
 - **AZ ranked #9** in the US for **primary & secondary syphilis**
- **Maricopa County's public health order** calls for syphilis testing twice during pregnancy and again at delivery


Congenital Syphilis in Maricopa County



Data Source: Patient Reporting Investigation Surveillance Manager (PRISM) obtained from the Arizona Department of Health Services and analyses performed by Maricopa County Department of Public Health, Division of Community Health & Records Services, 2020-2024.


Missed Opportunities

Lack of timely testing and adequate treatment during pregnancy contributes to the majority of cases of congenital syphilis



3-Time Point Syphilis Testing During Pregnancy


1. At the First Prenatal Visit



2. Between 28-32 Weeks



3. Again at Delivery

Help patients find access to care at a nearby clinic

Maricopa County Public Health STI Clinics

- **Phoenix - 1645 E. Roosevelt St., 85006**
- **Glendale - 5141 W. Lamar Rd., 85301**
- **Goodyear - 14130 W. McDowell Rd., 85395**
- **Mesa - 1950 S. County Club Dr., 85210**