

CHLAMYDIA

The Suffolk Chlamydia Screening Programme is part of the National Screening Programme and is a community based service which is offering screening for one of the most common sexually transmitted infections to young people under the age of 25.

- It is estimated that 1 in 10 young people, both men and women, under the age of 25 may have Chlamydia
- Many people who have Chlamydia may not be aware as they may have no symptoms
- Screening is now available by doing a simple urine test and a self taken low vaginal swab
- Chlamydia can be treated with antibiotics
- Left untreated, Chlamydia can cause serious long term health consequences such as infertility
- Sexual partners also need to be seen

The aim of the screening programme is to offer confidential opportunistic screening to asymptomatic young people in a variety of settings. All results, follow-up for positive patients and partner notification is co-ordinated by the Chlamydia Screening Office.

If you are aged between 15 and 25, please ask a doctor or a nurse for a screening pack.