

STI Screening Clinic

The Wellness Center now offers free Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) testing for asymptomatic Rowan University students.

What does asymptomatic mean?

Asymptomatic means without signs or symptoms of an infection such as painful urination, discharge, pain with sex, burning, itching, genital lesions, or abdominal pain. Click [here](#) to learn more about common STI's.

What is the difference between and STI and STD?

Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) and Sexually Transmitted Disease (STD) are often used interchangeably. STI is the term most commonly used to categorize diseases that are spread through vaginal, oral or anal sex.

Who should get tested?

The CDC recommends that all sexually active individuals get STI screenings at least annually. Individuals you have unprotected sex should be screened more frequently for STIs.

I think I'm having symptoms of an STI. Is the STI Screening Clinic right for me?

No. Students will not see a doctor or nurse practitioner during this visit. Nurses will interview you and collect samples to be sent to your participating laboratory. STI screening is meant for patients who are **not** experiencing symptoms of sexually transmitted infections. If you are experiencing symptoms, you should make an appointment with [FamCare](#) or one of our medical providers.

What STI tests are available?

The following confidential tests will be collected and sent to an outside laboratory:

- Chlamydia, Gonorrhea, Trichomoniasis (*urine or self-swab collection*)
- Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) (*blood draw*)
- Syphilis (*blood draw*)
- Hepatitis B testing for certain high risk individuals (*blood draw*)

How do I prepare for my visit?

- Schedule an appointment online by clicking [here](#).
- Bring your insurance information or a copy of your insurance card.
- Know which laboratory your insurance uses (Quest or Labcorp). If unknown, call the customer service number found on the back of your insurance card.
- Men should not urinate one hour before your scheduled visit.
- Females should know the first day of their last menstrual period, avoid tampons, and not douche for 24 hours before your scheduled visit. Appointments must be rescheduled if you are experiencing vaginal bleeding.

Is this screening really free?

Yes. There are no out of pocket costs at your STI screening visit. However, it is important to know that all tests are sent to your insurance company's preferred lab either Quest or LabCorp. An Explanation of Benefits (EOB) statement or any insurance charges related to the tests may be sent from the laboratory to the insurance policy holder. You may contact your insurance company before you get tested and inquire about their billing policies.

When will I receive my test results? How will I be contacted?

Results are usually back within one week. You will receive a call from a healthcare provider when the results are available. Please note, results will not be left on your voicemail, sent in a text, or included in an email.

What happens if I have a positive test result?

You will be asked to return to Student Health Services to discuss the positive test result and treatment options with a healthcare provider. Treatment will be offered on site for a nominal charge.