

# PROTECTING YOURSELF FROM HIV IS SIMPLE

Inform yourself, overcome the stigma!



SYNLAB promotes the awareness campaign by offering all patients the free HIV test at all its centers from 21 to 28 November 2022 and providing condoms to all organizations participating in the Florence Fast-Track City.

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## HOW NOT TO CONTRACT HIV

Do you know that there is a way to avoid contracting HIV?

**Using condoms and PrEP**

- A condón is always important: it protects against the VIH and all the other infections of sexual transmission.
- **PrEP** stands for prophylaxis prior to exposure
- **It is a prevention:** it consists in taking anti-retroviral tablets BEFORE having sexual relationships, which avoid that the HIV virus enters in contact with it, infecting your body
- **To make PrEP you need a recipe from an infectologist:** contact the infection control centers in your city to know more!

### IN FLORENCE YOU CAN CONTACT:



#### **Santa Maria Annunziata Hospital**

[profilassipreesposizione.firenze@uslcentro.toscana.it](mailto:profilassipreesposizione.firenze@uslcentro.toscana.it)

Tel: 055 6936512

from Monday to Friday 11.30-12.30 a.m. and 4.00 - 6.00 p.m.



#### **Careggi Hospital**

Tel: 055 7949425

from Monday to Friday

10.00 a.m. - 1.00 p.m.

## IS A PERSON WITH HIV INFECTION CONTAGIOUS?

Not all people infected with HIV are contagious. **It is called U=U**

U=U means that a person with HIV infection who takes the therapy stably and has an **undetectable value of virus in the blood (Undetectable) cannot transmit the virus (Untransmittable), even with unprotected sex.**

This is why it is absolutely important to do the TEST. Knowing if you have contracted HIV is essential to take good care of yourself and don't pass it on to others.

**If you are infected with HIV and have any concerns or questions, talk to the infectious disease doctor who follows you!**

All free test dates here:

<https://www.firenze-fast-track-city.it>

scrolling down, under the heading "KNOW YOUR STATUS"



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### Dates and locations where you can have your free test

- 21/11 | 3.00 - 7.00 p.m.**  
**Cat Cooperativa Sociale Medici per i Diritti Umani**  
Cascine Park - Piazzale del Re
- 22/11 | 5.30 - 9.30 p.m.**  
**Lila Toscana**  
Via delle Casine, 12/red  
booking via email to [info@lila.toscana.it](mailto:info@lila.toscana.it)  
with the subject "test appointment" (\*)
- 22/11 | 5.00 - 8.00 p.m.**  
**Cat Cooperativa Sociale Medici per i Diritti Umani**  
Java Center - Piazza Salvemini
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Porte Aperte - Via del Romito 19
- 25/11 | 5.30 p.m. - 8.30 p.m.**  
**IREOS** - Via dei Serragli 3
- 26/11 | 3.30 - 8.30 p.m.**  
**Arcigay Firenze & Arcigay Prato-Pistoia**  
Circolo Arci Bottegone  
Via Fiorentina 697,  
loc. Bottegone Pistoia  
booking via email to [prato-pistoia@arcigay.it](mailto:prato-pistoia@arcigay.it)
- 21-22-23-24-25/11 | 3.00 - 5.00 p.m.**  
**Associazione Niccolò Stenone ODV**  
Stenone Outpatient clinic  
Via del Leone 35
- 1/12 | 3.00 - 7.00 p.m.**  
**Arcigay Firenze**  
The Social Hub - Via Lavagnini 70-72

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