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**IDPH Launches PrEP4Illinois,
the Illinois Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) Assistance Program**

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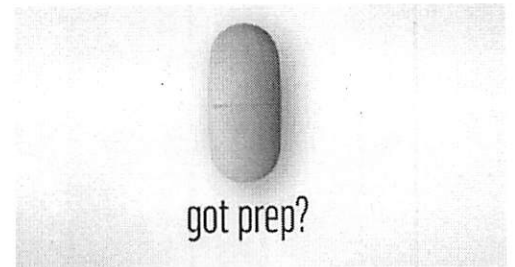
By taking a daily pill called pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP), people at high risk of contracting HIV can significantly reduce their likelihood of being infected with HIV. Studies have shown that PrEP reduces the risk of getting HIV from sex by more than 90% and injection use by more than 70% when used consistently.

WHO MAY BENEFIT FROM PREP?

The CDC recommends that PrEP be offered to anyone with "ongoing high-risk for acquiring HIV infection." Identifying potential PrEP candidates begins with taking a sexual and drug use history.

Some groups that may benefit from PrEP include:

- MSM with multiple sex partners
- Injection drug users
- Men who have sex with men (MSM) who engage in condomless sex
- HIV negative heterosexuals who may have an HIV positive sexual or drug-using partner
- HIV negative women who have an HIV positive partner and want to become pregnant
- Anyone with syphilis or rectal STDs (for example, rectal gonorrhea or chlamydia)
- Anyone with one or more HIV-positive sex partners, particularly if the HIV-positive partner is not in care or does not have an undetectable viral load



WHERE CAN I GET PREP AND HOW CAN I GET HELP PAYING FOR IT?

If you think you may be at risk for HIV, talk to your health care provider about whether PrEP is right for you. The Gilead Advancing Access® Program can help you access PrEP regardless of your insurance status. In addition, the IDPH's HIV AIDS Section is launching a new PrEP Medication Assistance Program that may provide last resort assistance.

To access the PrEP4Illinois website for an online application please go to: PrEP4illinois.com and click on **Start an Application**.

WHERE CAN I GET ADDITIONAL RESOURCES OR FIND OUT MORE ABOUT PREP?

PrEP Resource Website:

<http://dph.illinois.gov/topics-services/diseases-and-conditions/hiv-aids/pre-exposure-prophylaxis-prep>

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

[PrEP Resources Page](#): for infographics, videos, fact sheets, reports, and other educational materials about PrEP including resources for health care providers.

[CDC HIV Risk Reduction Tool \(BETA\)](#): Learn more about how to protect yourself and get information tailored to meet your needs.