

A MESSAGE FOR NATIVE WOMEN

Syphilis is on the Rise

→ GET TESTED FOR SYPHILIS ←

If you are pregnant or thinking about becoming pregnant, **get prenatal care** and **get tested for syphilis**.

You need to be tested 3 times during your pregnancy:



First visit



28 weeks



Delivery

What is syphilis?

- A bacteria (germ) caused by sexual contact
- Rates of syphilis have been increasing among Native men and women in South Dakota

Syphilis can:

- Be passed to infants during pregnancy or delivery and can be life-threatening.
- Be cured and prevented. You can protect yourself and your babies.

