

HIV TESTING IN LOCAL HEALTH UNIT STD CLINICS

HIV testing at local health unit STD clinics continued to expand in 1993. All major STD clinics in New York State outside of New York City offer full counseling, testing and referral services to patients. A majority of smaller county clinics also offer the range of services to the extent that some 85-90 percent of all STD clinic patients in New York State excluding New York City can be tested at an STD clinic site.

In 1993, more than 19,300 clinic patients were tested for HIV, fully 53 percent of those attending STD clinics. Of those tested, 246 (1.1%) were positive for HIV. More people are tested for HIV in STD clinics than in any other type of testing site in New York State outside of New York City.

HIV Counseling and Testing in STD Clinics New York State (excluding New York City) 1993							
Region	Clinics	Testing		Total	%	HIV-AB+	%
		Confidential	Anonymous				
Albany	7,240	2,072	1,870	3,942	54	55	1.4
Buffalo	8,231	4,102	241	4,343	53	30	0.7
Rochester	7,436	5,361	551	5,912	80	58	1.0
Syracuse	11,258	4,892	421	5,313	47	59	1.1
New Rochelle	9,287	2,919	763	3,682	40	44	1.2
Males	25,994	11,579	2,137	13,716	53	166	1.2
Females	17,458	7,767	1,709	9,476	54	80	0.8
TOTAL	43,452	19,346	3,846	23,192	53	246	1.1