# Where can you find us?

We are here to support you in everything related to HIV, your wellbeing, and your quality of life.

Don't hesitate to contact us if you need any help or information - we are here for you!

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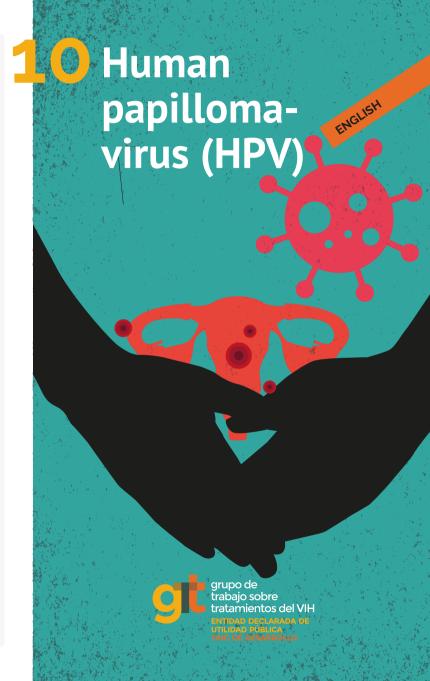
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# Human papillomavirus (HPV)

HPV is the most common sexually transmitted infection (STI).

#### How is it transmitted?

HPV is easily transmitted through skin-to-skin contact during sexual activity, through anal, vaginal, or oral sex with a person who has the infection.

# What are its symptoms?

HPV infection usually does not present symptoms, and the virus is eliminated spontaneously. Sometimes, it may lead to:

- → genital warts
- → cervical cancer
- → anal cancer

HPV may lead to warts appearing in the genital areas, such as the skin of the penis, vulva, and anus. It can also infect the membranes of the mouth and throat.



## How is it diagnosed?

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It is not possible to determine whether a person has an HPV infection through a blood test. In most cases, the diagnosis is made when genital warts or other injuries appear in the area.



#### How is it treated?

HPV has no cure, but the warts can be removed with liquid nitrogen or with laser treatment.



### How to prevent it?

Using a condom reduces the risk of infection during vaginal, anal, or oral sex, but it does not eliminate it completely, as it can be transmitted through skin or mucous membrane contact.



Vaccination is the most effective measure to prevent the infection.