STI Internet Assignment Brennan Giles

STIs (beyond those covered in class)

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| STI | Organism | Symptoms | Transmission | Treatment |
| Bacterial Vaginosis | Bacteria | Vaginal discharge, pain, itching, burning, fish odor | Not understood but sexual activity increases | antibiotics |
| Chancroid | bacteria | Ulcers, swollen lymph glands, buboes | Sexual transmission through contact with sores or ulcers | antibiotics |
| Hepatitis A | virus | Fever, fatigue, nausea, vomiting, dark urine, joint pain, jaundice | Fecal-oral or consumption of contaminated food/water | Vaccination or antibodies |
| Hepatitis C | virus | Bleeding easily, fatigue, poor appetite, jaundice, itchy skin, fluid buildup | Blood contaminated with virus enters bloodstream | “oral therapy” |
| Molluscum Contagiousum | Virus | Bumps on skin, red | Contact with infected objects/ bumps | Scraping, cryotherapy, cantharidin |
| Pubic Lice | Insect | Itchy | Contact with infested pubic hair or sometimes towel | Medical shampoo |
| Scabies | insect | Extreme itch | Prolonged Skin contact with infected area | Prescription creams |
| Trichomoniasis | parasite | Irritation, inflammation, itching, burning, discharge | Sexual contact with inner genetalia | metronidazole or tinidazole |
| Yeast | fungal | irritation, discharge and intense itchiness of the vagina and the vulva | Imbalance with bacteria in vagina, which can be disrupted with certain medications or sexual activity | Antifungal medication or therapy |

Compare and Contrast

I thought they all had decent information but my personal favorite was the CDC website. It was well organized and designed. It seemed inclusive and had good information on any terms I searched

Reflection

I think it is a good thing that we have so much information on diseases and especially on STI’s. The best way to combat these medical issues is through education without a doubt, and the more people that go into sexual encounters knowledgeable of the risks they are taking without proper protection the better. Perhaps if there was a requirement for High schoolers to visit these sites and learn in better detail why unprotected sex is dangerous, we could drastically cut down on new cases.