



☆☆☆☆ Star Screening Site of the Month ☆☆☆☆

Brook is the leading sexual health service for young people with 18 centres throughout the country. Here at Wigan and Leigh Brook we have had a fantastic up take for screening both within the Clinic environment and through organised and targeted events and outreach sessions.

We did however, feel we needed to target 'older' young people, i.e. those aged between 19 and 25 so we got our heads together and decided to go where those young people might go.... And decided on the pub!

No we didn't get drunk... we stuck to soft drinks ourselves.... we took our testing kits and targeted the pubs in Leigh town centre. We had an excellent response and a huge amount of interest in our message.

The outreach team and nurses from the clinic went off one Friday evening in April with our kit in a big orange bucket. As well as screening we were able to promote the Brook service within Leigh, issue condoms and sexual health information and promote the R U Clear programme. For those who may not have wanted to do the test there and then, we signposted to the R U Clear web site where they could send for a postal kit and another option given was to call into Brook.

Although it wasn't as busy as we would have liked we did test 13 young people on the night. Of those 13 tests, 3 came back positive. These people perhaps may never have accessed a mainstream service to be tested but because of our outreach, have now been treated.

We also spoke to in excess of seventy 19 to 25 year olds. Many were unaware of Chlamydia and the risks and also how easy it is to get tested and treated. We also interacted with many parents of young people who were keen to take our information home for their children.

We have planned already to target Wigan in the beginning of July, we learned from Leigh that we needed to go out a little later when the pubs are a bit busier and also to catch them in the toilets before they pee! We also would like to keep on with the screening within pubs so we plan to arranged 3 to 4 events each year in Wigan and also over at Leigh.

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• RU Clear

RU Clear is the Greater Manchester PCTs element of the National Chlamydia Screening Programme. We manage Chlamydia screening for young people aged under 25 years of age.

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The Hathersage Centre

The GUM at MRI have moved to The Hathersage Centre, on the corner of Hathersage Road and Upper Brook Street. The centre combines the Manchester Centre for Sexual Health, which had two separate bases at the MRI, and the Palatine Contraceptive and Sexual Health Services.

Services include:

- The diagnosis and treatment of sexually transmitted infections and genital conditions;
- HIV Testing, diagnosis, counselling and treatment
- All methods of contraception, including emergency contraception
- Abortion information
- Psychosexual counselling.

The Hathersage Centre is located on the corner of Hathersage Road and Upper Brook Street and is a joint initiative between Manchester PCT (which provides the Palatine Contraceptive and Sexual Health Services) and Central Manchester and Manchester Children's University Hospitals Trust (which provides genito-urinary medicine)

The Palatine Contraception and Sexual Health Service are now provided from 4 hubs across Central & South Manchester:

- The Hathersage Centre
- Withington Community Hospital
- Forum Health in Wythenshaw
- Openshaw Primary Care Centre

All hubs are open daily with Saturday Fresh clinics at The Hathersage Centre and Forum Health.

For further information please contact The Hathersage Centre at 280 Upper Brook Street Manchester M13 0FH on Tel 0161 901 1555 (for contraception clinics) or 0161 276 5200 (for the sexual health infection clinics)

WWW.RUCLEAR.CO.UK

Remember to check out our website which has all the up to date information about the programme, frequently asked questions and lists of many of our screening sites.

As well as this there is a designated Health Professionals page with up to date downloadable documents, templates and contact details including A, B and C forms, Stationary and Laboratory Order forms.

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Welcome

Across the country, all sexually active young people aged under 25 are being encouraged to be tested for Chlamydia.

Chlamydia is the most common sexually transmitted infection and most people who have it don't know they've got it. Untreated Chlamydia can lead to long term problems such as infertility.

The test and treatment is **free** and **painless**

Call **0845 330 6363** (Confidential advice line)

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...you may not know you have it.

CAN'T GET TO A CLINIC?
Click here to request a postal test kit

Final LDP Data 2007/2008

Rank	PCT	Under 25's			15 - 24 year olds		
		Men	Women	Total Screened	Total Screened	% of Pop	% Sexually Active Population
1	Lewisham	1,342	5,002	6,346	6,366	19.9	26.5
2	Cornwall and Isles of Scilly	3,393	6,036	9,429	9,170	15.8	20.8
3	Tower Hamlets	2,397	2,657	5,058	5,195	15.0	19.3
4	Blackpool	581	2,017	2,598	2,479	14.3	18.5
5	Lambeth	810	3,432	4,243	4,400	13.3	17.2
6	Southwark	845	3,538	4,383	4,557	13.1	17.0
7	Hull	1,517	3,488	5,011	4,900	12.6	15.7
8	Wirral	776	4,115	4,935	4,801	12.2	16.1
9	City and Hackney Teaching	604	2,625	3,229	3,339	11.0	14.5
10	Central Lancashire	1,948	4,590	6,538	6,328	10.5	13.4
11	Central and Eastern Cheshire	890	4,416	5,335	5,135	10.4	13.8
12	Manchester	1,626	7,670	9,398	9,162	10.3	12.2
16	Salford	1,058	1,880	2,971	2,856	8.9	11.0
19	Ashton, Leigh and Wigan	957	2,433	3,423	3,266	8.5	11.0
26	Oldham	553	1,732	2,316	2,236	7.8	10.1
39	Tameside and Glossop	421	1,799	2,243	2,147	6.7	8.8
46	Heywood, Middleton and Rochdale	621	1,124	1,756	1,693	6.0	7.9
47	Bury	315	1,126	1,453	1,385	6.0	7.8
61	Trafford	285	1,065	1,368	1,314	5.3	6.9
62	Bolton	386	1,476	1,890	1,782	5.2	6.7
67	Stockport	310	1,367	1,684	1,635	4.9	6.5

Welcome to New Screening Sites

We now have over 600 screening sites at RU Clear based all across Greater Manchester. So a big welcome to some of our newest pharmacy screening sites:

- Boots in Manchester City Centre and Heywood
- Coop and Thackers Pharmacy in Baguley
- Lloyds in Wythenshawe, Wood House Park and Harpuhey
- Bury Pharmacy and Internet Pharmacy in Heywood
- Junction Pharmacy, Middleton
- Oldham Road Pharmacy, Cohens Chemist, and Strand Pharmacy in Rochdale

RU Clear Chlamydia Results reported in April and May 2007

Test centre location	April 2008			May 2008		
	Total Tests	Positive	% Positive	Total Tests	Positives	% Positives
Ashton, Leigh & Wigan	501	62	12.38	420	47	11.19
Bury	194	21	10.82	172	15	8.72
Bolton	154	17	11.04	170	31	18.24
Heywood Middleton & Rochdale	150	13	8.67	139	15	10.79
Manchester	1139	110	9.66	978	113	11.55
Oldham	389	33	8.48	221	21	9.50
Salford	221	24	10.86	217	20	9.22
Stockport	322	33	10.25	309	33	10.68
Tameside	224	16	7.14	203	23	11.33
Trafford	93	12	12.90	87	7	8.05
Unknown	63	3	4.76	69	7	10.14
Postal Kits	452	44	9.73	387	37	9.56
TOTAL	3902	388	9.94	3372	369	10.94

Pregnant Clients

Please can all treatment sites ensure that they state clearly on all treatment forms when a client is pregnant so that we can ensure they receive a test of cure.

DNA's

Please can all treatment sites try and let us know as soon as possible when a client does not attend any appointment.

Queries, Training & Support

Any staff having missed out on training or needing some support please contact your Coordinator.

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