San Diego County Health Statistics: HIV/AIDS

- In San Diego County, the mode of transmission for AIDS cases differs from the Nation: 47% of cumulative adult and adolescent AIDS cases in the United States are due to male-to-male sexual contact, while 74% of AIDS cases in San Diego are in that category (cumulative through 2004 for the United States; cumulative through 2005 for San Diego) (1).

- The rate of HIV infection among men testing only at the County of San Diego Anonymous HIV Counseling and Testing Services sites increased from 1.6% in 2000 to 3.0% in 2005 (2).


To request additional health statistics describing health behaviors, diseases and injuries for specific populations, health trends and comparisons to national targets, please call the County’s Community Health Statistics Unit at 619/285.6479. To access the latest data and data links, including the 2004 Core Public Health Indicator document and Community Regional Profiles, go to SDHealthStatistics.com.

References:

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With all the ways people can connect these days — home phones, cell phones, online — now there’s a single phone number to help people connect with community resources quickly and easily: 2-1-1. This comprehensive service offers free, around-the-clock access to health, community and disaster services in San Diego County.

When dialing 2-1-1, callers are linked to a highly trained phone specialist who can answer questions about a variety of services and agencies where to find child care, employment assistance, food and shelter, protective services and legal aid, counseling, parenting classes, substance abuse, and employment or volunteer opportunities, for example. Information is confidential and offered in more than 150 languages with the help of a language service. Callers can also receive assistance accessing healthcare, non-urgent medical support for seniors and the disabled.

In times of disaster, San Diego’s 2-1-1 will be mobilized within the County’s emergency operations system as a central communications link, providing information about evacuation routes, shelters, road closures, and the status of the disaster.

San Diego County residents with T-Mobile USA, Cingular, and Sprint Nextel wireless services can now dial 2-1-1 from their cell phones. In the meantime, cell phone users who need to access information but do not have these wireless services can dial (858) 300-1211. Additionally, 2-1-1 dialing may not yet be available from workplaces that have central switchboards. For questions about reprogramming your office phone system to accept 2-1-1 calls, please visit the 2-1-1 website at www.211sandiego.org.

Safeguarding your privacy is important. The 211sandiego.org website uses industry-standard technology to ensure the privacy and security of your personal information. To learn more about our privacy protection, please visit our website.

3 Ways to Connect

1 Phone: Dial 2-1-1. Bilingual information and referral specialists provide personalized information about community resources.
2 Print: 2-1-1 San Diego’s publications include specialized directories, resource brochures, and the comprehensive guide to health and human services, Directions.
3 Online: 2-1-1 San Diego’s online database of nearly 3,000 services enables anyone with internet access to find community resources and search by program or location — www.211sandiego.org or www.informa211sandiego.org.