



PROTECT YOUR BABY FROM SYPHILIS

Syphilis is an infection that can cause serious problems for you baby during pregnancy.

If it is not treated, it can cause your baby to be born too soon or too small. It can even cause the death of your baby before or after birth.

If your baby is born with syphilis, it can have serious problems like being deaf or blind,

Syphilis is passed between adults through sex. If a woman catches syphilis from her partner, even if it was a few years ago, she can then pass it on to her baby during the pregnancy.

You may have caught syphilis a long time ago but don't show any signs.

It is important that you have a test for syphilis early in your pregnancy.

If you have syphilis, it needs to be treated immediately. You need to have your partner tested and treated for syphilis as well so you don't get re-infected.

Always use condoms if you are having sex. If you have unprotected sex (anal, oral, vaginal) make sure you get tested for sexually transmitted infections like syphilis.

SPEAK TO YOUR NURSE, MIDWIFE OR DOCTOR IF YOU THINK YOU MIGHT BE AT RISK OR HAVE CONCERNS

