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## The Birds and the BBVs Training

The Birds and the BBVs is a one day training course which aims to bring together Aboriginal Health Workers and others who work with Aboriginal people to increase their knowledge, skills, motivation, and confidence to yarn with clients and community about why testing for STIs, HIV, and BBVs is important and identify ways to normalise testing within a routine health check.

### After the training, participants will be able to:

- outline key information about the consequences, modes of transmission, symptoms, treatment and prevention of STIs, and BBVs
- discuss the impact of STIs and BBVs on Aboriginal people and communities
- identify at risk groups who should be offered testing for STIs and/or BBVs
- discuss the importance of incorporating opportunistic testing for STIs and BBVs into routine health care
- identify strategies to overcome challenges to opportunistic STI, and BBV testing
- raise awareness of harm minimisation strategies to reduce the risk of Hep C and HIV through unsafe injecting drug use including where and how to access NSP in the local community
- refer clients for further care and support if an issue arises beyond their scope of practice

**For more information and to register, contact the team at**

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