

inSPOT Toronto

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- Background on inSPOT Toronto
- Function of the site
- Benefits and Challenges

- Launched in 2007 following an outbreak of infectious syphilis in MSM in Toronto
- Enhanced surveillance found high rates of partner change, connecting to partners through the internet (on-line chat rooms or websites)

Internet Notification Service for Partners or Tricks - Windows Internet Explorer

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- Tell them if you've been exposed to an STD - send an anonymous ecard.
- Learn about cures and treatments.
- Find a clinic near you.

Community Guidelines ->
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Tell your hookups, ex's, boyfriends, girlfriends, and partners they may have been exposed to an STD.
TELL THEM


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—Select Country—
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TELL THEM

To tell your partners they may have been exposed to an STI, follow the 6 easy steps below.

- 1) Select Language
- 2) Select Region
- 3) Pick a Card
- 4) Create Message
- 5) Preview
- 6) Send







Tips for Telling Your Partners →
Advice for Talking about HIV →

SELECT LANGUAGE --All Languages--

SELECT REGION --All Regions--

PICK A CARD

CLICK ON THE IMAGE TO PREVIEW. CLICK 'SELECT' TO CONTINUE.



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**I got screwed whi
you might have to**

(MY CARD)

CREATE/EDIT MESSAGE

- 1 Add a short, personal message in the box below, or leave it blank.
- 2 Choose a pre-filled STI message to appear on your postcard.
--choose my STI--
- 3 Enter the email addresses of up to six partners. *
- 4 My email address *
 or Send Anonymously

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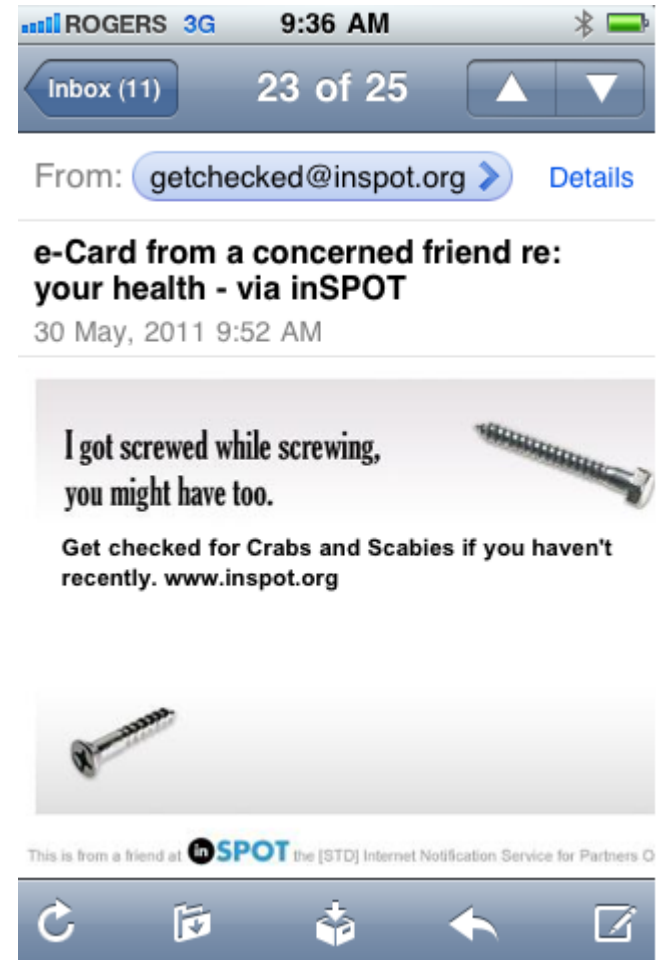
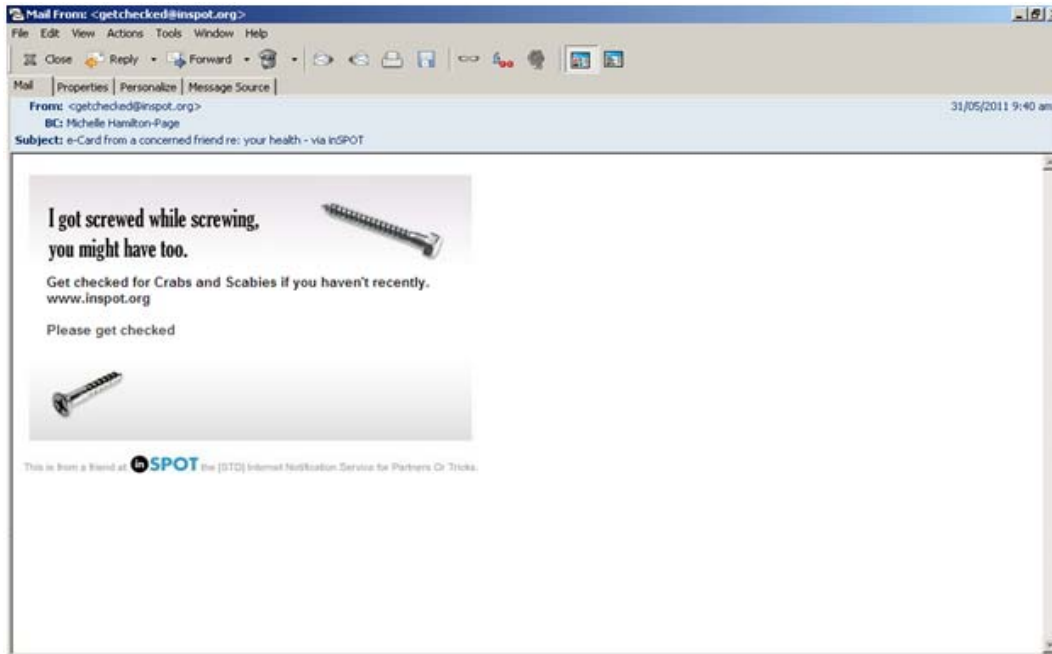
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Gonorrhea
Hepatitis A
Non-Genococcal Urethritis (NGU)
Syphilis
Hepatitis B
Hepatitis C
Herpes
HSV
HPV
Trichomoniasis
- 3 to six partners.*
- 4 or Send Anonymously

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GET checked

STDs are part of life. One reason they're so common has nothing to do with sex, and everything to do with silence.

If you've been diagnosed with an STD, what your playmates don't know could affect you again. Or affect a friend. Or a friend's.

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YOU MAY HAVE BEEN EXPOSED TO Crabs and Scabies

- [▶ Learn About Crabs and Scabies](#)
Get STD stats, as well as detailed information about symptoms, testing, treatment and prevention.
- [▶ Find a Clinic](#)
View a clickable map and locate the clinic nearest you for STD testing or see your private doctor today.
- [▶ STD Cures & Treatments](#)
STDs are either curable—they'll go away completely—or treatable, meaning symptom relief is available. Find out what's what.

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STIs

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The screenshot shows a Windows Internet Explorer browser window displaying the inSPOT website. The address bar shows the URL: <http://www.inspot.org/STDIInfo/tabid/51/language/en-CA/Default.aspx>. The website header includes the inSPOT logo and navigation links: TELL THEM, GET CHECKED, STI INFO, RESOURCES, and TESTING. Below the header are buttons for ABOUT THIS SITE and CONTACT US, and a language dropdown menu set to English (Canada).

The main content area is titled "STI info" and features a sidebar with a "STI Q&A" section containing links for HIV/AIDS, Men's Sexual Health, Women's Sexual Health, Oral Sex, Symptoms & Treatment, Transmission & Prevention, and Talking to Partners. Below this is a "MORE RESOURCES" section with links for All About Condoms, Tips for Telling Your Partners, Advice for Talking about HIV, Sexual Risks Chart, What is PEP?, and About HIV Tests.

The central content area is titled "CURABLE STIs" and includes a sub-header: "THESE STIS WILL GO AWAY IF YOU TAKE THE PRESCRIBED MEDICATIONS CORRECTLY AND COMPLETELY. YOU CAN GET THEM MORE THAN ONCE, THOUGH, IF YOU ARE RE-EXPOSED TO AN INFECTED PERSON." Below this is a list of STIs and their treatments:

Chlamydia	Antibiotics
Crabs and Scabies	Over-the-counter and prescription creams
Gonorrhoea	Antibiotics
Non-Gonococcal Urethritis (NGU)	Antibiotics
Shigella	Antibiotics
Syphilis	Antibiotics
Trichomoniasis	Antibiotics
Vaginosis	May need treatment; may clear up on its own

At the bottom left, there is a small graphic with the text "TELL THEM" and icons of people.

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ONLINE RESOURCES

CANADIAN FEDERATION FOR SEXUAL HEALTH
www.cfsh.ca
"The Canadian Federation for Sexual Health (CFSH, formerly Planned Parenthood Federation of Canada) is a pro-choice, charitable organization dedicated to promoting sexual and reproductive health and rights in Canada and internationally. CFSH envisions a global society that celebrates healthy sexuality, its diversity of expression and reproductive choice as fundamental human rights for individuals throughout life."

HEALTH CANADA
www.hc-sc.gc.ca/hl-vs/sex/index-eng.php
"Health Canada promotes healthy sexuality by making information based on current scientific research, readily available through publications, promotional resources, links, policies and guidelines."

PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCY OF CANADA
www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/std-mts
In concert with health, education and other inter-sectoral partners, the Sexual Health and STI Section promotes the physical and psychosocial well being of Canadians through sexual health promotion activities.

SEX INFORMATION AND EDUCATION COUNCIL OF CANADA
www.sieccan.org

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Testing Services

SEARCH TWO DIFFERENT WAYS...

1) Search by POSTAL CODE

2) Click on the arrow in a region of the map below or select a location from the pull-down to find local testing resources.

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—Select Location— **▶**



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ABOUT THIS SITE

Sexually transmitted infections (STIs) are more common than you know. In the U.S. alone, there are 15 million new cases each year. Talking to your sex partners, even virtually, helps take away the stigma associated with STIs. AND it's scientifically proven to reduce transmission.

*Did you know that some of these STIs make it 6-10 times more likely to transmit **HIV** from an infected person to his or her sex partner—no matter who has the STI first?*

TIPS ABOUT THE SITE

- Notify everyone you've had sex with in the past six months. Oral sex counts, too.
- Try looking through your old emails and your online address book to complete the list.
- If you decide to compose a personal message, put yourself in the other person's shoes. Think about how you were told—what you liked and what you didn't—and put the best of it into words.
- You don't have to provide detailed medical info—this email card will automatically provide links to what they need to know.
- You can send postcards anonymously or from your email address. Historically, when you tell a sex partner(s) yourself, it's more likely s/he will "hear" the message and get tested.
- No information will be collected or shared with any public or private agency.

The site was developed by Internet Sexuality Information Services, Inc. (ISIS)

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COMMUNITY GUIDELINES

All people who agree to our guidelines will find that inSPOT.org is a friendly, respectful and legal environment where sexuality is honored. On the other hand, appropriate action will be taken against people who violate this community agreement.

- Sending eCards
- Receiving eCards
- Self-promotion and Commercial Services
- Personal Information
- Post No Hate
- Report Any Problems

SENDING eCARDS

inSPOT.org is a service where people can send ecards to their partners and hookups regarding possible exposure to an STI. If you use this site, you agree that your postcards are only being sent to people with whom you've had sexual contact and who may be at risk of contracting an STI. You agree that you will only use the site for the purpose stated above and that you are only acting for and by yourself and your sexual partner(s) or hookups. It should be noted, however, that members are ultimately responsible for their own ecards. We ask that you use discretion and never send information to people concerning possible STI exposure by people other than yourself, or give out personal information (email addresses, phone, etc.) of people other than yourself. That said, inSPOT.org

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Benefits

- Increase in STI notification resources, possibly more comfortable for clients than face-to-face notification
- Increased TPH presence online (and with the M2Men iphone app, a mobile inSPOT)

Challenges

- Closing the loop with technology, inSPOT – clinic questionnaire; Test requisition

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