

## **New Brief Highlights the Value of Using Expedited Partner Therapy to Support PA Youth's Sexual Health**

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PolicyLab released an informative issue brief today in which our researchers highlight current evidence of the effectiveness of expedited partner therapy (EPT) and outline recommendations for Pennsylvania policymakers to implement a law that provides clear legal authority for providers and pharmacists to prescribe and provide EPT.

EPT is an efficient patient-delivered partner therapy used to help prevent the spread of sexually transmitted infections (STIs) by providing the patient with extra medication or a prescription to give their sex partner(s) who are unable or unwilling to seek treatment. This is an evidence-based practice that is widely supported and is shown to be cost-effective from a societal and health perspective.

We hope this brief can help contribute to the implementation of a safe practice environment that would encourage Pennsylvania's medical providers to use EPT to treat their patients, including adolescents, and help to curb the widespread of STIs.

Find the brief [here](#).

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