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To the Reader:

The *Compendium of State HIV Testing Laws* describes key state HIV testing laws and policies. Each state's HIV testing laws are unique and many have undergone revision or supplementation since the release of the [CDC's 2006 HIV testing recommendations](#). The *Compendium* is designed to help clinicians understand HIV testing laws and to implement sound HIV testing policies. It should not, however, be used as an official legal document.

The NCCC provides clinical consultation for healthcare providers as part of the HRSA [AIDS Education and Training Centers](#) program. Clinicians with questions about HIV testing are encouraged to call the *National HIV Telephone Consultation Service (Warmline)* at (800) 933-3413. The Warmline also provides advice on HIV management, including antiretroviral treatment. Other NCCC consultation services include: the National Clinicians' Post-Exposure Prophylaxis Hotline ([PEPLine](#)) at (888) 448-4911 for advice on managing occupational exposures to HIV and hepatitis; and the National Perinatal Consultation and Referral Service ([Perinatal HIV Hotline](#)) at (888) 448-8765 for consultation on preventing mother-to-child transmission of HIV.

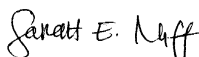
We update the *Compendium* periodically, but it is beyond the scope of the project to perform ongoing verification of every section frequently. We encourage readers to send comments, corrections, and updates (with citations when possible) to Sarah Neff at neffs@nccc.ucsf.edu.

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Definitions and Helpful Resources

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Definitions Commonly Used Nationally

- **Anonymous Testing** – Patient's name is not recorded with test results.
- **Confidential** – Patient's name is recorded with test results.
- **HIV Prevention Counseling** – Refers to an interactive process of assessing risk, recognizing specific behaviors that increase the risk for acquiring or transmitting HIV and developing a plan to take specific steps to reduce risks.¹
 - **Pre-test counseling** can include: (1) discussing HIV, risk factors and prevention methods; (2) explaining the meaning of positive and negative test results and their implications; (3) assessing the patient's personal and social supports; (4) determining the patient's readiness to cope with test results; (5) discussing disclosure of test results to others; and (6) advising the patient if reporting positive test results to health authorities is required.
 - **Post-test counseling** can include: (1) informing the patient of the results and meaning of the test results; (2) providing education about avoiding risks of sexual and injection drug exposures; and, for patients who test positive, (3) assessing the impact of test results for the patient and family; (3) explaining treatment options; (4) discussing partner counseling and disclosure of test results to others; and (5) initiating a support and treatment plan.
- **General Consent** – Consent for HIV screening is included in the general medical consent.
- **HIV** – Human Immunodeficiency Virus.
- **Informed Consent** – A process of communication between patient and provider through which an informed patient can choose whether to undergo HIV testing or decline to do so. Elements of informed consent typically include providing oral or written information regarding HIV, the risks and benefits of testing, the implications of HIV test results, how test results will be communicated, and the opportunity to ask questions.¹
- **Name-based reporting** – Cases are reported by patient name (required in all states except HI and VT).
- **Opt-in** – Patients typically are provided pre-HIV test counseling and must consent specifically to an HIV-antibody test, either orally or in writing.²
- **Opt-out** – Performing HIV screening after notifying the patient that: the test will be performed; and the patient may elect to decline or defer testing. Assent is inferred unless the patient declines testing.¹
- **Routine Testing** – HIV screening that is performed routinely during health-care encounters.
- **Rapid Testing** – Testing with any of the six FDA-approved rapid HIV tests that produce results in 30 minutes or less.³
- **Specific Consent** – Consent for the HIV screening is separate from the general medical consent.

Helpful Resources

CDC Recommendations and Guidelines: <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/testing/guideline.htm>

Emergency Department Implementation Guide: <http://edhivtestguide.org/>

Prenatal HIV Testing Website: <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/perinatal/1test2lives/>

For questions or comments about the compendium, contact NCCC: NCCCTemp@nccc.ucsf.edu

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¹ Revised Recommendations for HIV Testing of Adults, Adolescents, and Pregnant Women in Health-Care Settings. MMWR Recomm Rep. 2006 Sep 22;55(RR-14):1-17; quiz CE1-4. <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/preview/mmwrhtml/rr5514a1.htm>

² <http://www.cdc.gov/mmwr/PDF/wk/mm5145.pdf>

³ <http://www.cdc.gov/hiv/topics/testing/resources/factsheets/rt-lab.htm>

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A Quick Reference Guide for Clinicians to Connecticut HIV Testing Laws

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For a more complete synopsis of Connecticut HIV testing laws, please refer to the section of the Compendium that follows this Quick Reference Guide.

Informed Consent

- General consent for medical care is sufficient; declination must be documented in the medical record (see *State Policies Relating to HIV Testing, 2009*, below, for exceptions).

Counseling

- Post-test counseling or referral for counseling as needed.

Provisos of Testing

- **Anonymous**
 - Consent form must inform patient of the availability of anonymous testing.
- **Rapid**
 - No specific provisions regarding rapid testing were found.
- **Routine**
 - No specific provisions regarding routine testing were found.

Disclosure

- Notification to sexual partners is not required.

Minor/Adolescent Testing

- Minors may consent to HIV testing.

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Perinatal Quick Reference Guide:

A Guide to Connecticut Perinatal HIV Testing Laws for Clinicians

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This Perinatal Quick Reference Guide for clinicians is a summary of relevant Connecticut perinatal state HIV testing laws. Note that if a section in this Quick Reference Guide reads “no specific provisions were found,” provisions actually might exist for this topic within the state’s statutes, codes, or rules and regulations, but probably are not essential to clinicians.

For a more complete synopsis of Connecticut HIV testing laws, please refer to the corresponding section of the *State HIV Testing Laws Compendium* (www.nccc.ucsf.edu), “Testing of pregnant women and/or newborns.”

Prenatal

- Testing of pregnant women in prenatal care (first and third trimesters) is required unless religious objections apply.

Labor & Delivery

- Testing of pregnant women presenting to labor or delivery with undocumented HIV status is through the opt-out process. Specific written objection required if woman objects.

Neonatal

- All newborns must be tested for HIV; may be omitted if mother has been tested (within first month of first examination and third trimester) or in cases of religious conflicts.

Other

- N/A

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State Policies Relating to HIV Testing, 2009

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	Policy Category	Type	Section Code(s)
RESTRICTIONS/MANDATES	Restrictions on use of HIV test	No related laws found	
	Mandatory testing within the criminal justice system	Potential transmission to victims	CGS §19a-112b CGS §19a-112c
		Persons charged with a sex offense – court may order testing	CGS §54-102a
		Persons charged with prostitution – court may order testing	CGS §54-102a CGS §53a-82
		Convicted sex offenders	CGS §54-102b
	Mandatory testing outside of the criminal justice system	Mandatory newborn infant screening for HIV	CGS §19a-55
Occupational exposure – health care workers		CGS §19a-583	
PRE-TESTING	Mandatory offering of HIV/AIDS information and/or testing	Victims of a sex offense must be notified of the availability of HIV testing	CGS §54-102c CGS §19a-112b
		Explanation of HIV/AIDS required before testing	CGS §19a-582
		HIV information must be provided to all victims of a sex offense	CGS §54-102c CGS §19a-112c
		Explanation of HIV/AIDS required before testing for insurance purposes	CGS §19a-586
	Informed consent	General consent is sufficient – declination must be documented in the medical record	CGS §19a-582
		Exceptions to required consent	CGS §19a-582
		Written consent required for insurance testing	CGS §19a-586

	Counseling requirements	Post-test counseling or referral for counseling as needed	CGS §19a-582
		HIV counseling must be offered to sex offense victims	CGS §19a-112b
	Anonymous testing	Consent form must inform patients of availability of anonymous testing	CGS §19a-582
POST-TESTING	Disclosure/confidentiality	Exceptions to confidentiality	CGS §19a-583
		Health official may, but is not obligated to, notify partner	CGS §19a-584
		Instructions/requirements for lawful disclosure	CGS §19a-585
		Disclosure by insurers	CGS §19a-587
		HIV test results as confidential	CGS §19a-583
		Disclosure of HIV status of sex offender to victim	CGS §54-102b
	Reporting	Name-based reporting	CGS §19a-36-A4
		Department of Health mandated to develop list of reportable diseases and procedures	CGS §19a-36-A2
		Mandated reporting of HIV results of sex offenders	CGS §54-102a
	OTHER	Testing of pregnant women and/or newborns	Testing of pregnant women in prenatal care is required, in both the first month and third trimester of pregnancy
Mandatory newborn infant screening for HIV; may be omitted if mother has been tested (first month of first examination and third trimester), in cases of religious conflicts.			CGS §19a-55
Testing of women presenting to labor and delivery with undocumented HIV status is through opt-out testing; specific written objection required.			CGS §19a-593
Physicians must offer HIV educational materials to all women tested or mothers of all newborns tested			CGS §19a-594
Testing of minors/adolescents		Minors may consent to HIV testing	CGS §19a-592 CGS §19a-582

	Rapid HIV testing	No related laws found	
	Training and education of health care providers	Department of Health may train health care providers on HIV testing/counseling of pregnant women and newborns	CGS §19a-594

Recommended Resources

Connecticut General Assembly Office of Legislative Research

<http://www.cga.ct.gov/olr/>

General Statutes of Connecticut

<http://www.cga.ct.gov/asp/menu/Statutes.asp>

Connecticut Department of Public Health

<http://www.dph.state.ct.us/>

Title 17b: Social Services

CT Title 17b Code §	Code Language
§ 17b-256 (Formerly Sec. 17-314m)	<p>Payment for prevention and treatment of AIDS or HIV. Regulations.</p> <p>The Commissioner of Social Services may administer, within available appropriations, a program providing payment for the cost of drugs prescribed by a physician for the prevention or treatment of acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (AIDS) or human immunodeficiency virus (HIV infection). The commissioner shall determine specific drugs to be covered and may implement a pharmacy lock-in procedure for the program. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry out the purposes of this section. The commissioner may implement the program while in the process of adopting regulations, provided notice of intent to adopt the regulations is published in the Connecticut Law Journal within twenty days of implementation. The regulations may include eligibility for all persons with AIDS or HIV infection whose income is below four hundred per cent of the federal poverty level. The commissioner shall, within available federal resources, purchase and maintain insurance policies for eligible clients, including, but not limited to, coverage of costs associated with such policies, that provide a full range of HIV treatments and access to comprehensive primary care services as determined by the commissioner and as provided by federal law, and may provide payment, determined by the commissioner, for (1) drugs and nutritional supplements prescribed by a physician that prevent or treat opportunistic diseases and conditions associated with AIDS or HIV infection; (2) ancillary supplies related to the administration of such drugs; and (3) laboratory tests ordered by a physician.</p>

Title 19a: Public Health and Well-Being
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CT Title 19a Code §	Code Language
§ 19a-30a	<p>Reporting of clinical laboratory errors.</p> <p>(a) Each clinical laboratory, licensed pursuant to section 19a-30, which discovers a medical error made in the performance or reporting of any test or examination performed by the laboratory shall promptly notify, in writing, the authorized person ordering the test of the existence of such error and shall promptly issue a corrected report or request for a retest, with the exception of HIV testing, in which case, errors shall be reported in person and counseling provided in accordance with chapter 368x.</p> <p>(b) If the patient has requested the test directly from the laboratory, notice shall be sent to the patient, in writing, stating that a medical error in the reported patient test results has been detected and the patient is requested to contact the laboratory to arrange for a retest or other confirmation of test results. Said laboratory shall verbally or in writing inform the patient that in the event of a medical error the laboratory is required by law to inform him and that he may designate where such notification is to be sent. Such written notification shall be confidential and subject to the provisions of chapter 368x.</p> <p>(c) Failure to comply with the provisions of this section may be cause for suspension or revocation of the license granted under said section 19a-30.</p> <p>(d) The Department of Public Health may adopt regulations in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 to implement the provisions of this section.</p>
§ 19a-36-A2	<p>List of reportable diseases and laboratory findings</p> <p>The commissioner shall issue a list of reportable diseases and laboratory findings within sixty days of the effective date of these regulations, on the next January 1, and annually thereafter. The list shall show it is the current list and shall specify its effective date. This list shall also include but not be limited to the reporting category of each disease, procedures for the reporting, and minimum investigation and control measures for each disease. Listed diseases are declared reportable diseases as of the effective date of approval by the commissioner.</p> <p>(a) The commissioner in consultation with the state epidemiologist will annually review the existing list and develop recommendations for deletions or additions to the list.</p> <p>(b) The state epidemiologist or other commissioner designee shall convene and chair an advisory committee to review the recommendations for any changes to the list prior to preparing the final list for that year. This committee shall make recommendations to the commissioner regarding the contents of the list.</p> <p>(c) The commissioner shall review the advisory committee's recommendations and make final deletions or additions to the list to take effect January 1 of the next year. He will furnish copies of the list before January 1 to the following:</p>

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	<p>(1) physicians licensed by the department; (2) directors of clinical laboratories licensed, registered or approved by the department; (3) local directors of health in Connecticut; (4) health care facilities licensed under Chapter 368v of the Connecticut General Statutes.</p>
§ 19a-36-A4	<p>Content of report and reporting of reportable diseases and laboratory findings</p> <p>(a) Reportable diseases. (1) Each report of a case or suspected case of reportable disease shall include the full name and address of the person reporting and of the physician attending; the diagnosed or suspected disease and date of onset; the full name, age, race/ethnicity, sex and occupation of the affected individual and other facts the department or local director of health requires for purposes of surveillance, control and prevention of reportable diseases. The reports shall be sent in envelopes marked "CONFIDENTIAL." (2) Reports may be written or oral as required by the category of disease as follows: (A) Category I: diseases of high priority because of need for timely public health action: reportable immediately by telephone on day of recognition or suspicion of disease; on weekdays to both, the local health director of the town in which the patient resides and the department, on weekends to the department. A completed disease report form provided by the department must also be mailed to both the local health director and the department within 12 hours. (B) Category II: diseases of significant public health importance, usually requiring public health action: reportable by mail to the local director health and the department within 12 hours of recognition or suspicion on a form provided by the department.</p> <p>(b) Reportable laboratory findings. (1) Each report of reportable findings shall include the name, address, age sex, and, if known, race/ethnicity of the person affected, the name and address of the attending physician, the identity of the infectious agent or other reportable laboratory findings, and the method of identification. (2) Reports shall be mailed to the local director of health of the town in which the patient resides and to the department within 48 hours of making the finding in envelopes marked "CONFIDENTIAL."</p>
§ 19a-55 (Formerly Sec. 19a- 21b)	<p>Newborn infant health screening. Tests required. Fees. Regulations. Exemptions.</p> <p>(a) The administrative officer or other person in charge of each institution caring for newborn infants shall cause to have administered to every such infant in its care an HIV-related test, as defined in section 19a-581, a test for phenylketonuria and other metabolic diseases, hypothyroidism, galactosemia, sickle cell disease, maple syrup urine disease, homocystinuria, biotinidase deficiency, congenital adrenal hyperplasia and such other tests for inborn</p>

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	<p>errors of metabolism as shall be prescribed by the Department of Public Health. The tests shall be administered as soon after birth as is medically appropriate. If the mother has had an HIV-related test pursuant to section 19a-90 or 19a-593, the person responsible for testing under this section may omit an HIV-related test. The Commissioner of Public Health shall (1) administer the newborn screening program, (2) direct persons identified through the screening program to appropriate specialty centers for treatments, consistent with any applicable confidentiality requirements, and (3) set the fees to be charged to institutions to cover all expenses of the comprehensive screening program including testing, tracking and treatment. The fees to be charged pursuant to subdivision (3) of this section shall be set at a minimum of twenty-eight dollars. The commissioner shall adopt regulations, in accordance with chapter 54, specifying the abnormal conditions to be tested for and the manner of recording and reporting results. On or before January 1, 2004, such regulations shall include requirements for testing for amino acid disorders, organic acid disorders and fatty acid oxidation disorders, including, but not limited to, long-chain 3-hydroxyacyl CoA dehydrogenase (L-CHAD) and medium-chain acyl-CoA dehydrogenase (MCAD).</p> <p>(b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any infant whose parents object to the test or treatment as being in conflict with their religious tenets and practice.</p>
<p>§ 19a-90 (Formerly Sec. 19-47).</p>	<p>Blood testing of pregnant women for syphilis and AIDS.</p> <p>(a) Each physician giving prenatal care to a pregnant woman in this state during gestation shall take or cause to be taken a blood sample of each such woman within thirty days from the date of the first examination and during the final trimester between the twenty-sixth and twenty-eighth week of gestation or shortly thereafter subject to the provisions of this section, and shall submit such sample to an approved laboratory for a standard serological test for syphilis and an HIV-related test, as defined in section 19a-581, provided consent is given for the HIV-related test consistent with section 19a-582. Each other person permitted by law to attend upon pregnant women in the state, but not permitted by law to take blood tests, shall cause a blood sample of each pregnant woman so attended to be taken by a licensed physician in accordance with the time schedule and requirements of this section and such sample shall be submitted to an approved laboratory for a standard serological test for syphilis and an HIV-related test, provided consent is given for the HIV-related test consistent with section 19a-582. A blood sample taken at the time of delivery shall not meet the requirement for a blood sample during the final trimester. The term "approved laboratory" means a laboratory approved for this purpose by the Department of Public Health. A standard serological test for syphilis is a test recognized as such by the Department of Public Health. The laboratory tests required by this section shall be made on request without charge by the Department of Public Health.</p> <p>(b) The provisions of this section shall not apply to any woman who objects to a blood test as being in conflict with her religious tenets and practices.</p>

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§ 19a-112b	<p>Services to victims of sexual acts.</p> <p>The Department of Public Health shall provide to victims of a sexual act constituting a violation of section 53-21, 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a, regardless of whether any person is convicted or adjudicated delinquent for such violation, the following services: (1) Counseling regarding human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome; (2) HIV-related testing; and (3) referral service for appropriate health care and support services. Such services shall be provided through counseling and testing sites funded by the Department of Public Health.</p>
§ 19a-112c	<p>Educational materials for sexual assault victims.</p> <p>The Department of Public Health shall work with the Connecticut Sexual Assault Crises Services, Inc. to develop educational materials about human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome, specifically as they relate to sexual assault, for distribution to sexual assault victims through hospitals, rape crisis centers, HIV testing sites, the Division of Criminal Justice and other appropriate agencies. The materials shall include, but not be limited to, the following subjects: (1) The risks associated with HIV and sexual violence; (2) information about available testing options; (3) risk reduction information; and (4) referrals and information regarding rape crisis centers and HIV testing sites.</p>
§ 19a-581	<p>Definitions.</p> <p>As used in this chapter except where the context otherwise requires:</p> <p>(1) "Department" means the Department of Public Health;</p> <p>(2) "Commissioner" means the Commissioner of Public Health;</p> <p>(3) "AIDS" means acquired immune deficiency syndrome, as defined by the Centers for Disease Control of the United States Public Health Service;</p> <p>(4) "HIV infection" means infection with the human immunodeficiency virus or any other related virus identified as a probable causative agent of AIDS;</p> <p>(5) "HIV-related illness" means any illness that may result from or may be associated with HIV infection;</p> <p>(6) "HIV-related test" means any laboratory test or series of tests for any virus, antibody, antigen or etiologic agent whatsoever thought to cause or indicate the presence of HIV infection;</p> <p>(7) "Protected individual" means a person who has been counseled regarding HIV infection, is the subject of an HIV-related test or who has been diagnosed as having HIV infection, AIDS or HIV-related illness;</p>

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	<p>(8) "Confidential HIV-related information" means any information pertaining to the protected individual or obtained pursuant to a release of confidential HIV-related information, concerning whether a person has been counseled regarding HIV infection, has been the subject of an HIV-related test, or has HIV infection, HIV-related illness or AIDS, or information which identifies or reasonably could identify a person as having one or more of such conditions, including information pertaining to such individual's partners;</p> <p>(9) "Release of confidential HIV-related information" means a written authorization for disclosure of confidential HIV-related information which is signed by the protected individual or a person authorized to consent to health care for the individual and which is dated and specifies to whom disclosure is authorized, the purpose for such disclosure and the time period during which the release is to be effective. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is not a release of confidential HIV-related information, unless such authorization specifically indicates its dual purpose as a general authorization and an authorization for the release of confidential HIV-related information and complies with the requirements of this subdivision;</p> <p>(10) "Partner" means an identified spouse or sex partner of the protected individual or a person identified as having shared hypodermic needles or syringes with the protected individual;</p> <p>(11) "Health facility" means an institution, as defined in section 19a-490, blood bank, blood center, sperm bank, organ or tissue bank, clinical laboratory or facility providing care or treatment to the mentally ill or persons with mental retardation or a facility for the treatment of substance abuse;</p> <p>(12) "Health care provider" means any physician, dentist, nurse, provider of services for the mentally ill or persons with mental retardation, or other person involved in providing medical, nursing, counseling, or other health care, substance abuse or mental health service, including such services associated with, or under contract to, a health maintenance organization or medical services plan;</p> <p>(13) "Significant risk of transmission" means sexual activity that involves the transfer of one person's semen, vaginal or cervical secretions to another person or sharing of needles during intravenous drug use. The department may further define significant risk of transmission in regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-589;</p> <p>(14) "Significant exposure" means a parenteral exposure such as a needlestick or cut, or mucous membrane exposure such as a splash to the eye or mouth, to blood or a cutaneous exposure involving large amounts of blood or prolonged contact with blood, especially when the exposed skin is chapped, abraded, or afflicted with dermatitis. The department may further define significant exposure in regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-589;</p>

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	<p>(15) "Exposure evaluation group" means at least three impartial health care providers, at least one of whom shall be a physician, designated by the chief administrator of a health facility, correctional facility or other institution to determine if a health care or other worker has been involved in a significant exposure. No member of the group shall be directly involved in the exposure. The department may further define exposure evaluation group in regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-589.</p>
§ 19a-582	<p>Informed consent for testing. Exceptions.</p> <p>(a) Except as required pursuant to section 19a-586 a person who has provided general consent as described in this section for the performance of medical procedures and tests is not required to also sign or be presented with a specific informed consent form relating to medical procedures or tests to determine human immunodeficiency virus infection or antibodies to human immunodeficiency virus. General consent shall include instruction to the patient that: (1) As part of the medical procedures or tests, the patient may be tested for human immunodeficiency virus, and (2) such testing is voluntary and that the patient can choose not to be tested for human immunodeficiency virus or antibodies to human immunodeficiency virus. General consent that includes HIV-related testing shall be obtained without undue inducement or any element of compulsion, fraud, deceit, duress or other form of constraint or coercion. If a patient declines an HIV-related test, such decision by the patient shall be documented in the medical record. The consent of a parent or guardian shall not be a prerequisite to testing of a minor. The laboratory shall report the test result to the person who orders the performance of the test.</p> <p>(b) A person ordering the performance of an HIV-related test shall not be held liable for ordering a test without specific informed consent if a good faith effort is made to convey the instruction required pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.</p> <p>(c) At the time of communicating the test result to the subject of the test, a person ordering the performance of an HIV-related test shall provide the subject of the test or the person authorized to consent to health care for the subject with counseling or referrals for counseling, as needed: (1) For coping with the emotional consequences of learning the result; (2) regarding the discrimination problems that disclosure of the result could cause; (3) for behavior change to prevent transmission or contraction of HIV infection; (4) to inform such person of available medical treatments and medical services; (5) regarding local or community-based HIV/AIDS support services agencies; (6) to work towards the goal of involving a minor's parents or legal guardian in the decision to seek and in the ongoing provision of medical treatment; and (7) regarding the need of the test subject to notify his partners and, as appropriate, provide assistance or referrals for assistance in notifying partners; except that if the subject of the test is a minor who was tested without the consent of his parents or guardian, such counseling shall be provided to such minor at the time of communicating such test result to such minor. A health care provider or health facility shall not withhold test results</p>

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	<p>from the protected individual. The protected individual may refuse to receive his test result but the person ordering the performance of the test shall encourage him to receive the result and to adopt behavior changes that will allow him to protect himself and others from infection.</p> <p>(d) The provisions of this section shall not apply to the performance of an HIV-related test:</p> <p>(1) By licensed medical personnel when the subject is unable to grant or withhold consent and no other person is available who is authorized to consent to health care for the individual and the test results are needed for diagnostic purposes to provide appropriate urgent care, except that in such cases the counseling, referrals and notification of test results described in subsection (c) of this section shall be provided as soon as practical;</p> <p>(2) By a health care provider or health facility in relation to the procuring, processing, distributing or use of a human body or a human body part, including organs, tissues, eyes, bones, arteries, blood, semen, or other body fluids, for use in medical research or therapy, or for transplantation to individuals, provided if the test results are communicated to the subject, the counseling, referrals and notification of test results described in subsection (c) of this section shall be provided;</p> <p>(3) For the purpose of research if the testing is performed in a manner by which the identity of the test subject is not known and is unable to be retrieved by the researcher;</p> <p>(4) On a deceased person when such test is conducted to determine the cause or circumstances of death or for epidemiological purposes;</p> <p>(5) In cases where a health care provider or other person, including volunteer emergency medical services, fire and public safety personnel, in the course of his occupational duties has had a significant exposure, provided the following criteria are met: (A) The worker is able to document significant exposure during performance of his occupation, (B) the worker completes an incident report within forty-eight hours of exposure identifying the parties to the exposure, witnesses, time, place and nature of the event, (C) the worker submits to a baseline HIV test within seventy-two hours of the exposure and is negative on that test, (D) the patient's or person's physician or, if the patient or person does not have a personal physician or if the patient's or person's physician is unavailable, another physician or health care provider has approached the patient or person and sought voluntary consent and the patient or person has refused to consent to testing, except in an exposure where the patient or person is deceased, (E) an exposure evaluation group determines that the criteria specified in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), (D) and (F) of this subdivision are met and that the worker has a significant exposure to the blood of a patient or person and the patient or person, or the patient's or person's legal guardian, refuses to grant informed consent for an HIV test. If the patient or person is under the care or custody of the health facility, correctional facility or other institution and a sample of the patient's blood is</p>

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	<p>available, said blood shall be tested. If no sample of blood is available, and the patient is under the care or custody of a health facility, correctional facility or other institution, the patient shall have a blood sample drawn at the health facility, correctional facility or other institution and tested. No member of the exposure evaluation group who determines that a worker has sustained a significant exposure and authorized the HIV testing of a patient or other person, nor the health facility, correctional facility or other institution, nor any person in a health facility or other institution who relies in good faith on the group's determination and performs that test shall have any liability as a result of his action carried out pursuant to this section, unless such person acted in bad faith. If the patient or person is not under the care or custody of a health facility, correctional facility or other institution and a physician not directly involved in the exposure certifies in writing that the criteria specified in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), (D) and (F) of this subdivision are met and that a significant exposure has occurred, the worker may seek a court order for testing pursuant to subdivision (8) of this subsection, (F) the worker would be able to take meaningful immediate action, if results are known, which could not otherwise be taken, as defined in regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-589, (G) the fact that an HIV test was given as a result of an accidental exposure and the results of that test shall not appear in a patient's or person's medical record unless such test result is relevant to the medical care the person is receiving at that time in a health facility or correctional facility or other institution, (H) the counseling described in subsection (c) of this section shall be provided but the patient or person may choose not to be informed about the result of the test, and (I) the cost of the HIV test shall be borne by the employer of the potentially exposed worker;</p> <p>(6) In facilities operated by the Department of Correction if the facility physician determines that testing is needed for diagnostic purposes, to determine the need for treatment or medical care specific to an HIV-related illness, including prophylactic treatment of HIV infection to prevent further progression of disease, provided no reasonable alternative exists that will achieve the same goal;</p> <p>(7) In facilities operated by the Department of Correction if the facility physician and chief administrator of the facility determine that the behavior of the inmate poses a significant risk of transmission to another inmate or has resulted in a significant exposure of another inmate of the facility and no reasonable alternative exists that will achieve the same goal. No involuntary testing shall take place pursuant to subdivisions (6) and (7) of this subsection until reasonable effort has been made to secure informed consent. When testing without consent takes place pursuant to subdivisions (6) and (7) of this subsection, the counseling referrals and notification of test results described in subsection (c) of this section shall, nonetheless be provided;</p> <p>(8) Under a court order which is issued in compliance with the following provisions: (A) No court of this state shall issue such order unless the court finds a clear and imminent danger to the public health or the health of a person and that the person has demonstrated a compelling need for the HIV-</p>

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	<p>related test result which cannot be accommodated by other means. In assessing compelling need, the court shall weigh the need for a test result against the privacy interests of the test subject and the public interest which may be disserved by involuntary testing, (B) pleadings pertaining to the request for an involuntary test shall substitute a pseudonym for the true name of the subject to be tested. The disclosure to the parties of the subject's true name shall be communicated confidentially, in documents not filed with the court, (C) before granting any such order, the court shall provide the individual on whom a test result is being sought with notice and a reasonable opportunity to participate in the proceeding if he is not already a party, (D) court proceedings as to involuntary testing shall be conducted in camera unless the subject of the test agrees to a hearing in open court or unless the court determines that a public hearing is necessary to the public interest and the proper administration of justice;</p> <p>(9) When the test is conducted by any life or health insurer or health care center for purposes of assessing a person's fitness for insurance coverage offered by such insurer or health care center; or</p> <p>(10) When the test is subsequent to a prior confirmed test and the subsequent test is part of a series of repeated testing for the purposes of medical monitoring and treatment, provided (A) the patient has previously given general consent that includes HIV-related tests, (B) the patient, after consultation with the health care provider, has declined reiteration of the general consent, counseling and education requirements of this section, and (C) a notation to that effect has been entered into the patient's medical record.</p>
§ 19a-583	<p>Limitations on disclosure of HIV-related information.</p> <p>(a) No person who obtains confidential HIV-related information may disclose or be compelled to disclose such information, except to the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> (1) The protected individual, his legal guardian or a person authorized to consent to health care for such individual; (2) Any person who secures a release of confidential HIV-related information; (3) A federal, state or local health officer when such disclosure is mandated or authorized by federal or state law; (4) A health care provider or health facility when knowledge of the HIV-related information is necessary to provide appropriate care or treatment to the protected individual or a child of the individual or when confidential HIV-related information is already recorded in a medical chart or record and a health care provider has access to such record for the purpose of providing medical care to the protected individual; (5) A medical examiner to assist in determining the cause or circumstances of death; (6) Health facility staff committees or accreditation or oversight review organizations which are conducting program monitoring, program evaluation or service reviews; (7) A health care provider or other person in cases where such provider or person in the course of his occupational duties has had a significant exposure to HIV infection, provided the following criteria are met: (A) The worker is

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	<p>able to document significant exposure during performance of his occupation, (B) the worker completes an incident report within forty-eight hours of exposure, identifying the parties to the exposure, witnesses, time, place and nature of the event, (C) the worker submits to a baseline HIV test within seventy-two hours of the exposure and is negative on that test for the presence of the AIDS virus, (D) the patient's or person's physician or, if the patient or person does not have a personal physician or if the patient's or person's physician is unavailable, another physician or health care provider has approached the patient or person and sought voluntary consent to disclosure and the patient or person refuses to consent to disclosure, except in an exposure where the patient or person is deceased, (E) the worker would be able to take meaningful immediate action as defined in regulations adopted pursuant to section 19a-589 which could not otherwise be taken, (F) an exposure evaluation group determines that the criteria specified in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) of this subdivision are met and that a worker has a significant exposure to the blood of a patient or person and the patient or person or the patient's or person's legal guardian refuses to consent to release of the information. No member of the exposure evaluation group who determines that a worker has sustained a significant exposure and authorizes the disclosure of confidential HIV-related information nor the health facility, correctional facility or other institution nor any person in a health facility, correctional facility or other institution who relies in good faith on the group's determination and discloses the result shall have any liability as a result of his action carried out under this section, unless such persons acted in bad faith. If the information is not held by a health facility, correctional facility or other institution, a physician not directly involved in the exposure has certified in writing that the criteria specified in subparagraphs (A), (B), (C), (D) and (E) of this subdivision are met and that a significant exposure has occurred;</p> <p>(8) Employees of hospitals for mental illness operated by the Department of Mental Health and Addiction Services if the infection control committee of the hospital determines that the behavior of the patient poses a significant risk of transmission to another patient of the hospital. Disclosure shall only be allowed if it is likely to prevent or reduce the risk of transmission and no reasonable alternatives exist that will achieve the same goal and also preserve the confidentiality of the information. Such "reasonable alternatives" include counseling the patient concerning behaviors that pose a risk of transmission and other efforts to prevent or address the behaviors that pose a significant risk of transmission without disclosing the patient's HIV status or other confidential HIV-related information. Disclosure shall be limited to as few employees as possible and only to those employees with a direct need to receive the information to achieve the purpose authorized by this subdivision;</p> <p>(9) Employees of facilities operated by the Department of Correction to provide services related to HIV infection or if the medical director and chief administrator of the facility determine that the behavior of an inmate poses significant risk of transmission to another inmate or has resulted in a significant exposure of another inmate of the facility. Such a disclosure shall only be made if it is specifically required to enable the inmate to receive such services or is likely to prevent or reduce the risk of transmission and no reasonable alternatives exist that will achieve the same goal and also</p>

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	<p>preserve the confidentiality of the information. Such "reasonable alternatives" include counseling the inmate concerning behaviors that pose a risk of transmission or other efforts to prevent or address the behaviors that pose a significant risk of transmission without disclosing the patient's HIV status or other confidential HIV-related information. Disclosure shall be limited to as few employees as possible and only to those employees with a direct need to receive the information to achieve a purpose authorized by this subdivision;</p> <p>(10) Any person allowed access to such information by a court order which is issued in compliance with the following provisions: (A) No court of this state shall issue such order unless the court finds a clear and imminent danger to the public health or the health of a person and that the person has demonstrated a compelling need for the test results which cannot be accommodated by other means. In assessing compelling need, the court shall weigh the need for disclosure against the privacy interest of the test subject and the public interest which may be disserved by disclosure which deters future testing or which may lead to discrimination. (B) Pleadings pertaining to disclosure of confidential HIV-related information shall substitute a pseudonym for the true name of the subject of the test. The disclosure to the parties of the subject's true name shall be communicated confidentially, in documents not filed with the court. (C) Before granting any such order, the court shall provide the individual whose test result is in question with notice and a reasonable opportunity to participate in the proceedings if he is not already a party. (D) Court proceedings as to disclosure of confidential HIV-related information shall be conducted in camera unless the subject of the test agrees to a hearing in open court or unless the court determines that a public hearing is necessary to the public interest and the proper administration of justice. (E) Upon the issuance of an order to disclose test results, the court shall impose appropriate safeguards against unauthorized disclosure, which shall specify the persons who may have access to the information, the purposes for which the information shall be used, and appropriate prohibitions on future disclosure;</p> <p>(11) Life and health insurers, government payers and health care centers and their affiliates, reinsurers, and contractors, except agents and brokers, in connection with underwriting and claim activity for life, health, and disability benefits;</p> <p>(12) Any health care provider specifically designated by the protected individual to receive such information received by a life or health insurer or health care center pursuant to an application for life, health or disability insurance; and</p> <p>(13) A procurement organization, for the purposes of assessing donor suitability pursuant to section 19a-279j.</p> <p>(b) No person, except the protected individual, his legal guardian or a person authorized to consent to health care for such individual, to whom confidential HIV-related information is disclosed may further disclose such information, except as provided in this section and sections 19a-584 and 19a-585.</p>
§ 19a-584	Informing and warning of known partners of possible exposure to the HIV virus. Disclosure of HIV-related information to public health officers.

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	<p>(a) A public health officer may inform or warn partners of an individual that they may have been exposed to HIV under the following conditions: (1) The public health officer reasonably believes there is a significant risk of transmission to the partner; (2) the public health officer has counseled the protected individual regarding the need to notify the partner and the public health officer reasonably believes the protected individual will not inform the partner; (3) the public health officer has informed the protected individual of such officer's intent to make such disclosure. The public health officer may also warn or inform a partner at the request of a protected individual. When making such disclosure to the partner the public health officer shall provide or make referrals for the provision of the appropriate medical advice and counseling for coping with the emotional consequences of learning the information and for changing behavior to prevent transmission or contraction of HIV infection. The public health officer shall not disclose the identity of the protected individual or the identity of any other partner. The public health officer, making a notification, shall make such disclosure in person, except where circumstances reasonably prevent doing so. The public health officer shall make a good faith effort to notify the partner of the risk of HIV infection. The public health officer shall have no obligation to warn or inform, identify or locate any partner.</p> <p>(b) A physician may warn or inform a known partner of a protected individual if both the partner and the protected individual are under the physician's care or the physician may disclose confidential HIV-related information to a public health officer for the purpose of informing or warning partners of the protected individual that they may have been exposed to HIV , under the following conditions: (1) The physician reasonably believes there is a significant risk of transmission to the partner; (2) the physician has counseled the protected individual regarding the need to notify the partner and the physician reasonably believes the protected individual will not inform the partner; (3) the physician has informed the protected individual of such physician's intent to make such disclosure to the partner or public health officer. The physician may also warn or inform a partner at the request of a protected individual. When making such disclosure to the partner the physician shall provide or make referrals for the provision of the appropriate medical advice and counseling for coping with the emotional consequences of learning the information and for changing behavior to prevent transmission or contraction of HIV infection. The physician or public health officer shall not disclose the identity of the protected individual or the identity of any other partner. The public health officer or physician making a notification shall make such disclosure in person, except where circumstances reasonably prevent doing so. Upon receiving such a request for assistance, the public health officer shall make a good faith effort to notify said partner of the risk of HIV infection. The physician or public health officer shall have no obligation to warn or inform, identify or locate any partner. The physician shall have no obligation to disclose information to a public health officer for the purpose of warning or informing a partner.</p> <p>(c) For purposes of this section, "public health officer" means an employee of</p>

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	the Department of Public Health designated by the commissioner or if authorized by the commissioner, a local health director, or such director's designee.
§ 19a-585	<p>Requirements for disclosure of HIV-related information.</p> <p>(a) Whenever confidential HIV-related information is disclosed it shall be accompanied by a statement in writing, whenever possible, which includes the following or substantially similar language: "This information has been disclosed to you from records whose confidentiality is protected by state law. State law prohibits you from making any further disclosure of it without the specific written consent of the person to whom it pertains, or as otherwise permitted by said law. A general authorization for the release of medical or other information is NOT sufficient for this purpose." An oral disclosure shall be accompanied or followed by such a notice within ten days.</p> <p>(b) Except for disclosures made to a federal, state, or local health officer when such disclosure is mandated or authorized by federal or state law or to persons reviewing information or records in the ordinary course of ensuring that a health facility is in compliance with applicable quality of care standards or any other authorized program evaluation, program monitoring or service review, a notation of all such disclosures shall be placed in the medical record or with any record of an HIV-related test result of a protected individual, who shall be informed of such disclosures upon request; provided for disclosures made to governmental agents requiring information necessary for payments to be made on behalf of patients or clients pursuant to contract or law, such notation need only be entered at the time the disclosure is first made.</p> <p>(c) Nothing in this chapter shall limit a person's or agency's responsibility to report, investigate or disclose child protective services information pursuant to sections 17a-101, 17a-101a to 17a-101k, inclusive, 17a-103 and 46b-129a and regulations adopted pursuant to said sections.</p> <p>(d) The provisions of subsections (a) and (b) of this section shall not be applicable to disclosures made pursuant to subdivision (11) of subsection (a) of section 19a-583.</p> <p>(e) Except as provided in subparagraph (G) of subdivision (5) of subsection (d) of section 19a-582, as amended by this act, nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the recording of HIV and AIDS-related information in the medical chart or medical records of a protected individual or the listing of AIDS, HIV-related illness or HIV infection in a certificate of death or autopsy report. This chapter shall not be construed to modify regulations relating to access to death certificates or autopsy reports. This chapter shall not be construed to modify the provisions of section 19a-25 or 19a-221.</p>
§ 19a-586	<p>Testing for insurance purposes.</p> <p>(a) Any insurer that requests an applicant for insurance coverage to take an HIV-related test shall obtain the applicant's written informed consent for such</p>

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	<p>test prior to conducting it.</p> <p>(b) The Insurance Commissioner shall adopt regulations, in consultation with the Commissioner of Public Health and in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, which establish all necessary requirements for the provision of informed consent pursuant to the provisions of subsection (a) of this section. Such regulations shall include, but not be limited to, requirements regarding (1) sufficient notice at the time of application that the insured will be tested for HIV infection and (2) an explanation of AIDS and HIV infection.</p>
§ 19a-587	<p>Disclosure by insurers.</p> <p>Nothing in this chapter shall prohibit the disclosure by a life or health insurer or health care center of a positive HIV-related test result to an organization that assembles or collects information about insurance applicants for the purposes of detecting fraud, misrepresentation, or nondisclosure in connection with insurance underwriting, provided such result is provided as a nonspecific blood test result, within a general code category, which code is not designated solely for HIV-related test results and provided the majority of results included in the general code are not HIV-related and the code does not otherwise allow members of the organization to reasonably identify an applicant's test result as an HIV-related test.</p>
§ 19a-588	<p>Notification of procedures to certain municipal employees.</p> <p>Each town shall notify its police, fire and emergency medical services personnel of the procedures under subdivision (5) of subsection (d) of section 19a-582, as amended by this act, and subdivision (7) of subsection (a) of section 19a-583 pertaining to workers who have experienced a significant exposure.</p>
§ 19a-592	<p>Testing and treatment of minor for HIV or AIDS. Confidentiality. Liability for costs.</p> <p>(a) Any licensed physician may examine and provide treatment for human immunodeficiency virus infection, or acquired immune deficiency syndrome for a minor, only with the consent of the parents or guardian of the minor unless the physician determines that notification of the parents or guardian of the minor will result in treatment being denied or the physician determines the minor will not seek, pursue or continue treatment if the parents or guardian are notified and the minor requests that his parents or guardian not be notified. The physician shall fully document the reasons for the determination to provide treatment without the consent or notification of the parents or guardian of the minor and shall include such documentation, signed by the minor, in the minor's clinical record. The fact of consultation, examination and treatment of a minor under the provisions of this section shall be confidential and shall not be divulged without the minor's consent, including the sending of a bill for the services to any person other than the minor until the physician consults with the minor regarding the sending of a bill.</p>

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	(b) A minor shall be personally liable for all costs and expenses for services afforded him at his request under this section.
§ 19a-593	<p>Testing of pregnant women and newborns. Notification and documentation requirements.</p> <p>(a) Each health care provider giving prenatal care to pregnant women in this state shall inform her, or ascertain from the woman's medical record that such information has already been provided to her, that HIV testing is a part of routine prenatal care and shall inform her of the health benefits to herself and her newborn of being tested for HIV infection. Such information shall be conveyed along with the counseling required by section 19a-582. The health care provider shall inform the patient that HIV-related information is confidential pursuant to section 19a-583. If the patient provides informed consent to an HIV-related test consistent with section 19a-582, the health care provider responsible for HIV counseling under this section shall perform or arrange to have performed an HIV-related test and document the test result in the medical record.</p> <p>(b) If, during the current pregnancy, an HIV-related test has not been documented in the patient's medical record at admission for delivery of the baby, then the health care provider responsible for the patient's care shall inform the pregnant woman as required under subsection (a) of this section and shall also inform her of the health benefits to herself and her newborn of being tested for HIV infection either before delivery or within twenty-four hours after delivery and, in the absence of specific written objection, shall cause such test to be administered.</p>
§ 19a-593a	<p>Limitation on causes of action for HIV-related test.</p> <p>No cause of action for civil assault, civil battery, invasion of privacy or failure to obtain informed consent shall arise against any acute care general hospital licensed under chapter 368v or any other health care provider or person responsible for administering an HIV-related test, or causing such test to be administered, as required by section 19a-55 or 19a-593, on the basis that such HIV-related test was administered without the consent of the patient or the patient's parent or guardian. Nothing in this section shall be construed to: (1) Relieve any person or entity from liability for (A) negligence in administering such HIV-related test, (B) negligence in the reporting or distribution of the results of such HIV-related test, (C) negligence related to the provision of any counseling about a patient's decision whether to obtain treatment as a result of such HIV-related test, or (D) negligence in the treatment of a patient; or (2) eliminate or limit any defense to any cause of action that is or may be alleged against such hospital, health care provider or person responsible for administering such HIV-related test or causing such test to be administered.</p>
§ 19a-594a	Referral of child to state agency based on test result.

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	No child shall be referred to the Department of Children and Families solely on the basis of a positive HIV test.
§ 19a-594	<p>Pregnant women and newborn testing public awareness programs and health care provider training.</p> <p>(a) The Department of Public Health may develop and implement a comprehensive training program designed to reach all health care providers who are required by the provisions of sections 19a-90, 19a-555 and 19a-593 to provide counseling or testing for HIV of pregnant women or newborns. The training program may include instruction on but not be limited to: The requirements of the provisions of sections 19a-90 and 19a-555; the requirements of this chapter; the benefits of such HIV testing for pregnant women; the possible interventions to prevent HIV transmission from a pregnant woman and her fetus or newborn; the side effects of such interventions; appropriate protocols for the counseling, testing and treatment of adolescents and their newborns; the statutory confidentiality provisions that relate to adolescents; resources available for health care, case management, counseling and treatment for people with HIV and AIDS; and, the sanctions for violation of the provisions of sections 19a-90 and 19a-555 and of this chapter.</p> <p>(b) The Department of Public Health may develop educational materials for women subject to the provisions of sections 19a-90, 19a-555 and 19a-593 and distribute such materials to any health care provider subject to the provisions of sections 19a-90, 19a-555 and 19a-593. These materials shall be in plain language and shall be, whenever possible, in the first language of the recipient of the materials. The materials may include, but not be limited to: An explanation of the provisions of sections 19a-90, 19a-555 and 19a-593; a description of the provisions of this chapter; the appropriate confidentiality provisions of the statute that refer to minors; a list of health care and support services for people with HIV/AIDS; and a toll-free number to report any violations of the statutes by providers. Each health care provider subject to the provisions of sections 19a-90, 19a-555 and 19a-593 shall give each woman who they counsel or test for HIV or whose newborn they test for HIV a copy of such educational materials.</p> <p>(c) Any health care provider who performs an HIV test on a newborn under the provisions of sections 19a-90, 19a-555 and 19a-593 shall report the results of such test to the mother of such newborn before the mother leaves the hospital or within forty-eight hours of the birth of such newborn whichever is sooner. Such provider shall refer any women whose newborn tests positive for HIV to an HIV case manager and an appropriate health care provider. Such provider shall also give the woman a list of support services for people with HIV and AIDS.</p>

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§ 53a-65	<p>Definitions.</p> <p>As used in this part, except section 53a-70b, the following terms have the following meanings:</p> <p>(1) "Actor" means a person accused of sexual assault.</p> <p>(2) "Sexual intercourse" means vaginal intercourse, anal intercourse, fellatio or cunnilingus between persons regardless of sex. Its meaning is limited to persons not married to each other. Penetration, however slight, is sufficient to complete vaginal intercourse, anal intercourse or fellatio and does not require emission of semen. Penetration may be committed by an object manipulated by the actor into the genital or anal opening of the victim's body.</p> <p>(3) "Sexual contact" means any contact with the intimate parts of a person not married to the actor for the purpose of sexual gratification of the actor or for the purpose of degrading or humiliating such person or any contact of the intimate parts of the actor with a person not married to the actor for the purpose of sexual gratification of the actor or for the purpose of degrading or humiliating such person.</p> <p>(4) "Mentally defective" means that a person suffers from a mental disease or defect which renders such person incapable of appraising the nature of such person's conduct.</p> <p>(5) "Mentally incapacitated" means that a person is rendered temporarily incapable of appraising or controlling such person's conduct owing to the influence of a drug or intoxicating substance administered to such person without such person's consent, or owing to any other act committed upon such person without such person's consent.</p> <p>(6) "Physically helpless" means that a person is unconscious or for any other reason is physically unable to communicate unwillingness to an act.</p> <p>(7) "Use of force" means: (A) Use of a dangerous instrument; or (B) use of actual physical force or violence or superior physical strength against the victim.</p> <p>(8) "Intimate parts" means the genital area or any substance emitted therefrom, groin, anus or any substance emitted therefrom, inner thighs, buttocks or breasts.</p> <p>(9) "Psychotherapist" means a physician, psychologist, nurse, substance abuse counselor, social worker, clergyman, marital and family therapist, mental health service provider, hypnotist or other person, whether or not licensed or certified by the state, who performs or purports to perform psychotherapy.</p> <p>(10) "Psychotherapy" means the professional treatment, assessment or counseling of a mental or emotional illness, symptom or condition.</p> <p>(11) "Emotionally dependent" means that the nature of the patient's or former patient's emotional condition and the nature of the treatment provided by the psychotherapist are such that the psychotherapist knows or has reason to know that the patient or former patient is unable to withhold consent to sexual contact by or sexual intercourse with the psychotherapist.</p>

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	<p>(12) "Therapeutic deception" means a representation by a psychotherapist that sexual contact by or sexual intercourse with the psychotherapist is consistent with or part of the patient's treatment.</p> <p>(13) "School employee" means a teacher, substitute teacher, school administrator, school superintendent, guidance counselor, psychologist, social worker, nurse, physician, school paraprofessional or coach employed by a local or regional board of education or a private elementary or secondary school or working in a public or private elementary or secondary school.</p>
§ 53a-67	<p>Affirmative defenses.</p> <p>(a) In any prosecution for an offense under this part based on the victim's being mentally defective, mentally incapacitated or physically helpless, it shall be an affirmative defense that the actor, at the time such actor engaged in the conduct constituting the offense, did not know of such condition of the victim.</p> <p>(b) In any prosecution for an offense under this part, except an offense under section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b, 53a-71, 53a-72a or 53a-72b, it shall be an affirmative defense that the defendant and the alleged victim were, at the time of the alleged offense, living together by mutual consent in a relationship of cohabitation, regardless of the legal status of their relationship.</p>
§ 53a-70	<p>Sexual assault in the first degree: Class B or A felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of sexual assault in the first degree when such person (1) compels another person to engage in sexual intercourse by the use of force against such other person or a third person, or by the threat of use of force against such other person or against a third person which reasonably causes such person to fear physical injury to such person or a third person, or (2) engages in sexual intercourse with another person and such other person is under thirteen years of age and the actor is more than two years older than such person, or (3) commits sexual assault in the second degree as provided in section 53a-71 and in the commission of such offense is aided by two or more other persons actually present, or (4) engages in sexual intercourse with another person and such other person is mentally incapacitated to the extent that such other person is unable to consent to such sexual intercourse.</p> <p>b) (1) Except as provided in subdivision (2) of this subsection, sexual assault in the first degree is a class B felony for which two years of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court or, if the victim of the offense is under ten years of age, for which ten years of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court.</p> <p>(2) Sexual assault in the first degree is a class A felony if the offense is a violation of subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of this section and the victim of the offense is under sixteen years of age or the offense is a violation of subdivision (2) of subsection (a) of this section. Any person</p>

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	<p>found guilty under said subdivision (1) or (2) shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of which ten years of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court if the victim is under ten years of age or of which five years of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court if the victim is under sixteen years of age.</p> <p>(3) Any person found guilty under this section shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment and a period of special parole pursuant to subsection (b) of section 53a-28 which together constitute a sentence of at least ten years.</p>
§ 53a-70a	<p>Aggravated sexual assault in the first degree: Class B or A felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of aggravated sexual assault in the first degree when such person commits sexual assault in the first degree as provided in section 53a-70, and in the commission of such offense (1) such person uses or is armed with and threatens the use of or displays or represents by such person's words or conduct that such person possesses a deadly weapon, (2) with intent to disfigure the victim seriously and permanently, or to destroy, amputate or disable permanently a member or organ of the victim's body, such person causes such injury to such victim, (3) under circumstances evincing an extreme indifference to human life such person recklessly engages in conduct which creates a risk of death to the victim, and thereby causes serious physical injury to such victim, or (4) such person is aided by two or more other persons actually present. No person shall be convicted of sexual assault in the first degree and aggravated sexual assault in the first degree upon the same transaction but such person may be charged and prosecuted for both such offenses upon the same information.</p> <p>(b) Aggravated sexual assault in the first degree is a class B felony or, if the victim of the offense is under sixteen years of age, a class A felony. Any person found guilty under this section shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of which five years of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court, except that, if such person committed sexual assault in the first degree by violating subdivision (1) of subsection (a) of section 53a-70, and the victim of the offense is under sixteen years of age, twenty years of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court. Any person found guilty under this section shall be sentenced to a period of special parole pursuant to subsection (b) of section 53a-28 of at least five years.</p>
§ 53a-70b	<p>Sexual assault in spousal or cohabiting relationship: Class B felony.</p> <p>(a) For the purposes of this section:</p> <p>(1) "Sexual intercourse" means vaginal intercourse, anal intercourse, fellatio or cunnilingus between persons regardless of sex. Penetration, however slight, is sufficient to complete vaginal intercourse, anal intercourse or fellatio and does not require emission of semen. Penetration may be committed by an object manipulated by the actor into</p>

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	<p>the genital or anal opening of the victim's body; and (2) "Use of force" means: (A) Use of a dangerous instrument; or (B) use of actual physical force or violence or superior physical strength against the victim.</p> <p>(b) No spouse or cohabitor shall compel the other spouse or cohabitor to engage in sexual intercourse by the use of force against such other spouse or cohabitor, or by the threat of the use of force against such other spouse or cohabitor which reasonably causes such other spouse or cohabitor to fear physical injury.</p> <p>(c) Any person who violates any provision of this section shall be guilty of a class B felony.</p>
§ 53a-71	<p>Sexual assault in the second degree: Class C or B felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of sexual assault in the second degree when such person engages in sexual intercourse with another person and: (1) Such other person is thirteen years of age or older but under sixteen years of age and the actor is more than two years older than such person; or (2) such other person is mentally defective to the extent that such other person is unable to consent to such sexual intercourse; or (3) such other person is physically helpless; or (4) such other person is less than eighteen years old and the actor is such person's guardian or otherwise responsible for the general supervision of such person's welfare; or (5) such other person is in custody of law or detained in a hospital or other institution and the actor has supervisory or disciplinary authority over such other person; or (6) the actor is a psychotherapist and such other person is (A) a patient of the actor and the sexual intercourse occurs during the psychotherapy session, (B) a patient or former patient of the actor and such patient or former patient is emotionally dependent upon the actor, or (C) a patient or former patient of the actor and the sexual intercourse occurs by means of therapeutic deception; or (7) the actor accomplishes the sexual intercourse by means of false representation that the sexual intercourse is for a bona fide medical purpose by a health care professional; or (8) the actor is a school employee and such other person is a student enrolled in a school in which the actor works or a school under the jurisdiction of the local or regional board of education which employs the actor; or (9) the actor is a coach in an athletic activity or a person who provides intensive, ongoing instruction and such other person is a recipient of coaching or instruction from the actor and (A) is a secondary school student and receives such coaching or instruction in a secondary school setting, or (B) is under eighteen years of age; or (10) the actor is twenty years of age or older and stands in a position of power, authority or supervision over such other person by virtue of the actor's professional, legal, occupational or volunteer status and such other person's participation in a program or activity, and such other person is under eighteen years of age.</p> <p>(b) Sexual assault in the second degree is a class C felony or, if the victim</p>

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	of the offense is under sixteen years of age, a class B felony, and any person found guilty under this section shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of which nine months of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court.
§ 53a-72a	<p>Sexual assault in the third degree: Class D or C felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of sexual assault in the third degree when such person (1) compels another person to submit to sexual contact (A) by the use of force against such other person or a third person, or (B) by the threat of use of force against such other person or against a third person, which reasonably causes such other person to fear physical injury to himself or herself or a third person, or (2) engages in sexual intercourse with another person whom the actor knows to be related to him or her within any of the degrees of kindred specified in section 46b-21.</p>
§ 53a-72b	<p>Sexual assault in the third degree with a firearm: Class C or B felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of sexual assault in the third degree with a firearm when such person commits sexual assault in the third degree as provided in section 53a-72a, and in the commission of such offense, such person uses or is armed with and threatens the use of or displays or represents by such person's words or conduct that such person possesses a pistol, revolver, machine gun, rifle, shotgun or other firearm. No person shall be convicted of sexual assault in the third degree and sexual assault in the third degree with a firearm upon the same transaction but such person may be charged and prosecuted for both such offenses upon the same information.</p> <p>(b) Sexual assault in the third degree with a firearm is a class C felony or, if the victim of the offense is under sixteen years of age, a class B felony, and any person found guilty under this section shall be sentenced to a term of imprisonment of which two years of the sentence imposed may not be suspended or reduced by the court and a period of special parole pursuant to subsection (b) of section 53a-28 which together constitute a sentence of ten years.</p>
§ 53a-73a	<p>Sexual assault in the fourth degree: Class A misdemeanor or class D felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of sexual assault in the fourth degree when: (1) Such person intentionally subjects another person to sexual contact who is (A) under fifteen years of age, or (B) mentally defective or mentally incapacitated to the extent that such other person is unable to consent to such sexual contact, or (C) physically helpless, or (D) less than eighteen years old and the actor is such other person's guardian or otherwise responsible for the general supervision of such other person's welfare, or (E) in custody of law or detained in a hospital or other institution and the actor has supervisory or disciplinary authority over such other person; or</p>

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	<p>(2) such person subjects another person to sexual contact without such other person's consent; or (3) such person engages in sexual contact with an animal or dead body; or (4) such person is a psychotherapist and subjects another person to sexual contact who is (A) a patient of the actor and the sexual contact occurs during the psychotherapy session, or (B) a patient or former patient of the actor and such patient or former patient is emotionally dependent upon the actor, or (C) a patient or former patient of the actor and the sexual contact occurs by means of therapeutic deception; or (5) such person subjects another person to sexual contact and accomplishes the sexual contact by means of false representation that the sexual contact is for a bona fide medical purpose by a health care professional; or (6) such person is a school employee and subjects another person to sexual contact who is a student enrolled in a school in which the actor works or a school under the jurisdiction of the local or regional board of education which employs the actor; or (7) such person is a coach in an athletic activity or a person who provides intensive, ongoing instruction and subjects another person to sexual contact who is a recipient of coaching or instruction from the actor and (A) is a secondary school student and receives such coaching or instruction in a secondary school setting, or (B) is under eighteen years of age; or (8) such person subjects another person to sexual contact and (A) the actor is twenty years of age or older and stands in a position of power, authority or supervision over such other person by virtue of the actor's professional, legal, occupational or volunteer status and such other person's participation in a program or activity, and (B) such other person is under eighteen years of age.</p> <p>(b) Sexual assault in the fourth degree is a class A misdemeanor or, if the victim of the offense is under sixteen years of age, a class D felony.</p>
§ 53a-82	<p>Prostitution: Class A misdemeanor.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of prostitution when such person engages or agrees or offers to engage in sexual conduct with another person in return for a fee.</p> <p>(b) In any prosecution for an offense under this section, it shall be an affirmative defense that the actor was coerced into committing such offense by another person in violation of section 53a-192a.</p> <p>(c) Prostitution is a class A misdemeanor.</p>
§ 53a-83	<p>Patronizing a prostitute: Class A misdemeanor.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of patronizing a prostitute when: (1) Pursuant to a prior understanding, he pays a fee to another person as compensation for such person or a third person having engaged in sexual conduct with him; or (2) he pays or agrees to pay a fee to another person pursuant to an understanding that in return therefor such person or a third person will engage in sexual conduct with him; or (3) he solicits or requests another</p>

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	<p>person to engage in sexual conduct with him in return for a fee.</p> <p>(b) Patronizing a prostitute is a class A misdemeanor.</p>
§ 53a-83a	<p>Patronizing a prostitute from a motor vehicle: Class A misdemeanor.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of patronizing a prostitute from a motor vehicle when he, while occupying a motor vehicle: (1) Pursuant to a prior understanding, pays a fee to another person as compensation for such person or a third person having engaged in sexual conduct with him; or (2) pays or agrees to pay a fee to another person pursuant to an understanding that in return therefor such person or a third person will engage in sexual conduct with him; or (3) solicits or requests another person to engage in sexual conduct with him in return for a fee; or (4) engages in sexual conduct for which a fee was paid or agreed to be paid.</p> <p>(b) Patronizing a prostitute from a motor vehicle is a class A misdemeanor.</p>
§ 53a-84	<p>Sex of parties immaterial.</p> <p>In any prosecution for prostitution or patronizing a prostitute, the sex of the two parties or prospective parties to the sexual conduct engaged in, contemplated or solicited is immaterial, and it shall be no defense that: (1) Such persons were of the same sex; or (2) the person who received, agreed to receive or solicited a fee was a male and the person who paid or agreed or offered to pay such fee was a female.</p>
§ 53a-85	<p>Promoting prostitution: Definitions.</p> <p>The following definitions are applicable to sections 53a-86 to 53a-89, inclusive:</p> <p>(1) A person "advances prostitution" when, acting other than as a prostitute or as a patron thereof, he knowingly causes or aids a person to commit or engage in prostitution, procures or solicits patrons for prostitution, provides persons or premises for prostitution purposes, operates or assists in the operation of a house of prostitution or a prostitution enterprise, or engages in any other conduct designed to institute, aid or facilitate an act or enterprise of prostitution.</p> <p>(2) A person "profits from prostitution" when acting other than as a prostitute receiving compensation for personally rendered prostitution services, he accepts or receives money or other property pursuant to an agreement or understanding with any person whereby he participates or is to participate in the proceeds of prostitution activity.</p>
§ 53a-86	<p>Promoting prostitution in the first degree: Class B felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of promoting prostitution in the first degree when he knowingly: (1) Advances prostitution by compelling a person by force or</p>

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	<p>intimidation to engage in prostitution, or profits from coercive conduct by another; or (2) advances or profits from prostitution of a person less than sixteen years old.</p> <p>(b) Promoting prostitution in the first degree is a class B felony.</p>
§ 53a-87	<p>Promoting prostitution in the second degree: Class C felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of promoting prostitution in the second degree when he knowingly: (1) Advances or profits from prostitution by managing, supervising, controlling or owning, either alone or in association with others, a house of prostitution or a prostitution business or enterprise involving prostitution activity by two or more prostitutes; or (2) advances or profits from prostitution of a person less than eighteen years old.</p> <p>(b) Promoting prostitution in the second degree is a class C felony.</p>
§ 53a-88	<p>Promoting prostitution in the third degree: Class D felony.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of promoting prostitution in the third degree when he knowingly advances or profits from prostitution.</p> <p>(b) Promoting prostitution in the third degree is a class D felony.</p>
§ 53a-89	<p>Permitting prostitution: Class A misdemeanor.</p> <p>(a) A person is guilty of permitting prostitution when, having possession or control of premises which he knows are being used for prostitution purposes, he fails to make reasonable effort to halt or abate such use.</p> <p>(b) Permitting prostitution is a class A misdemeanor.</p>

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§ 54-102a	<p>Venereal examination and HIV testing of persons charged with certain sexual offenses.</p> <p>(a) The court before which is pending any case involving a violation of any provision of sections 53a-65 to 53a-89, inclusive, may, before final disposition of such case, order the examination of the accused person to determine whether or not he is suffering from any venereal disease, unless the court from which such case has been transferred has ordered the examination of the accused person for such purpose, in which event the court to which such transfer is taken may determine that a further examination is unnecessary.</p> <p>(b) Notwithstanding the provisions of section 19a-582, the court before which is pending any case involving a violation of section 53-21 or any provision of sections 53a-65 to 53a-89, inclusive, that involved a sexual act, as defined in section 54-102b, may, before final disposition of such case, order the testing of the accused person for the presence of the etiologic agent for Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome or Human Immunodeficiency Virus, unless the court from which such case has been transferred has ordered the testing of the accused person for such purpose, in which event the court to which such transfer is taken may determine that a further test is unnecessary. If the victim of the offense requests that the accused person be tested, the court may order the testing of the accused person in accordance with this subsection and the results of such test may be disclosed to the victim. The provisions of sections 19a-581 to 19a-585, inclusive, and section 19a-590, except any provision requiring the subject of an HIV-related test to provide informed consent prior to the performance of such test and any provision that would prohibit or limit the disclosure of the results of such test to the victim under this subsection, shall apply to a test ordered under this subsection and the disclosure of the results of such test.</p> <p>(c) A report of the result of such examination or test shall be filed with the Department of Public Health on a form supplied by it. If such examination discloses the presence of venereal disease or if such test discloses the presence of the etiologic agent for Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome or Human Immunodeficiency Virus, the court may make such order with reference to the continuance of the case or treatment or other disposition of such person as the public health and welfare require. Such examination or test shall be conducted at the expense of the Department of Public Health. Any person who fails to comply with any order of any court under the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.</p>
§ 54-102b	<p>HIV testing of persons convicted of certain sexual offenses.</p> <p>(a) Notwithstanding any provision of the general statutes, except as</p>

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	<p>provided in subsection (b) of this section, a court entering a judgment of conviction or an adjudication of delinquency for a violation of section 53a-70, 53a-70a, 53a-70b or 53a-71 or a violation of section 53-21, 53a-72a, 53a-72b or 53a-73a involving a sexual act, shall, at the request of the victim of such crime, order that the offender be tested for the presence of the etiologic agent for acquired immune deficiency syndrome or human immunodeficiency virus and that the results be disclosed to the victim and the offender. The test shall be performed by or at the direction of the Department of Correction in consultation with the Department of Public Health.</p> <p>(b) The provisions of sections 19a-581 to 19a-585, inclusive, and section 19a-590, except the requirement that the subject of an HIV-related test provide informed consent prior to the performance of such test, shall apply to a test ordered under this section.</p> <p>(c) For the purposes of this section and section 19a-112b, "sexual act" means contact between the penis and the vulva or the penis and the anus, where such contact involving the penis occurs upon penetration, however slight, or contact between the mouth and the penis, the mouth and the vulva or the mouth and the anus.</p>
§ 54-102c	<p>HIV information and test results provided to victim.</p> <p>When a court orders a test pursuant to section 54-102a or 54-102b, the court shall provide the victim with (1) the educational materials about human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immune deficiency syndrome developed by the Department of Public Health pursuant to section 19a-112c, (2) information about and referral to HIV testing and counseling for victims of sexual acts provided through sites funded by such department pursuant to section 19a-112b, and (3) referrals and information regarding rape crisis centers. The court shall also inform the victim that the victim may designate a health care provider chosen by the victim or an HIV testing and counseling site funded by the department to receive the results of such test on behalf of the victim. The test results shall be disclosed to the victim by the designated health care provider or by a professional trained to provide counseling about HIV and acquired immune deficiency syndrome at the department-funded site designated by the victim.</p>