

Prevalence of Condom Use Errors Among STD Clinic Patients

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Objective: To evaluate potential associations among condom errors and gonorrhea and chlamydial infection among a population of sexually transmitted disease clinic patients. **Methods:** Audio computer-assisted self-interviewing was used to conduct a cross-sectional survey with 1124 participants. Biological specimens were collected during the evaluation visit. **Results:** A substantial proportion of participants reported

condom-use errors with condom breakage statistically associated with gonorrhea infection among males at enrollment (AOR=1.91; 95% CI: 1.23-2.96; P=.004). **Conclusion:** Behavioral interventions that promote consistent condom use must provide the necessary skills associated with proper condom use.

Key words: incorrect condom use, condom use errors, STD, HIV, STD clinic patients

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