



NATIONAL COALITION FOR SEXUAL HEALTH

About the Coalition

The National Coalition for Sexual Health (NCSH) aims to improve sexual health and well-being by encouraging productive and sustained conversations about sexual health and promoting high quality sexual health information and health services. The NCSH brings together organizations and individuals who share a commitment to not just advancing sexual health, but also to improving the overall health of our nation. We embrace a positive, health promotion approach across the lifespan. We believe that sexual health is a core element of overall health and well-being; sexuality is a natural and positive part of our lives; and that Americans should have access to accurate and complete information about sexual health that is based on the best available science.

Who We Are

Established in 2012, the NCSH is managed by Altarum Institute in conjunction with the coalition steering committee, consisting of the Center of Excellence for Sexual Health at Morehouse School of Medicine, National Association of Community Health Centers, The National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy, National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable, Project Inform, and Health Communications Consultant Tom Beall. The NCSH is a broad-based group of professional organizations and individuals who share a commitment to advancing sexual health and to our goals and values.

What We Do

The Coalition aims to start conversations about sexual health and prompt action in our lives, health care settings, and communities. Through two action groups— the Communications Action Group and the Health Care Action Group— we create tangible products and resources to help members promote sexual health. You can access these materials through our website: www.nationalcoalitionforsexualhealth.org. We also provide a unique opportunity for organizations, which often focus on specific health problems or target populations, to coalesce under a broad sexual health framework.

What is Sexual Health?

According to the NCSH, *“Being sexually healthy means being able to enjoy a healthier body, a satisfying sexual life, positive relationships, and peace of mind.”* NCSH also promotes five key steps that individuals can take to help them achieve good health: value who you are and decide what’s right for you; treat your partners well and expect them to treat you well; get smart about your body and protect it; build positive relationships; and get regular sexual health care.

For more information visit: www.nationalcoalitionforsexualhealth.org

Members of the National Coalition for Sexual Health

Organizations:

- Adolescent AIDS Program, Children’s Hospital at Montefiore
- Advocates for Youth
- AIDS Community Research Initiative of America, ACRIA Center on HIV & Aging
- Altarum Institute
- American Academy of PAs
- American Association of Nurse Practitioners
- American Association of Sexuality Educators Counselors and Therapists
- American College Health Association
- American College of Nurse-Midwives
- American Sexual Health Association
- Answer
- Association of Reproductive Health Professionals
- Bedford Stuyvesant Family Health Center
- California Coalition Against Sexual Assault/Prevent Connect
- California Dept. of Public Health, STD Control Branch
- Cardea Services
- Center of Excellence for Sexual Health at Morehouse School of Medicine
- Center for Research on Gender and Sexuality
- Center for Sex Education
- Center for Sexual Pleasure and Health
- CHOICES. Memphis Center for Reproductive Health
- Department of the Navy
- Emergo Health
- Female Health Company
- Gay, Lesbian & Straight Education Network (GLSEN)
- Haven Health
- Healthy Teen Network
- Howard University Student Health Center
- International Union Against Sexually Transmitted Infections – North America Region
- Intimate Health Consulting
- Jaali Co.
- JSI Research & Training Institute, Inc.
- KATZ Boutique
- Kinsey Institute
- Lemonaid Health
- Maryland Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene, Center for STI Prevention
- Movember Foundation
- My Sex Doctor LTD
- National Association of Community Health Centers
- National Association of County & City Health Officials
- National Association of Nurse Practitioners in Women’s Health
- National Campaign to Prevent Teen and Unplanned Pregnancy
- National Coalition of STD Directors
- National Council of La Raza
- National Institute for Health Care Management Foundation
- National Network of STD/HIV Prevention Training Centers
- National Sexual Violence Resource Center
- National Viral Hepatitis Roundtable
- New York State Dept. of Health, AIDS Institute
- Nursing Students for Sexual and Reproductive Health
- Nurx
- Ogilvy Public Relations Washington, DC
- Physicians for Reproductive Health
- Planned Parenthood Federation of America
- Private Gym
- Program in Human Sexuality, University of Minnesota
- Project Inform
- Secular Woman
- Sex Smart Films
- Sexual Health Innovations
- Sexuality & Aging Consortium at Widener University
- Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS)
- The Harvey Institute
- The STD Project
- Variance, LLC
- Woodhull Sexual Freedom Alliance
- Youth+Tech+Health (YTH)



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