Here's what you can do:

**Use a condom** when you have sex. Condoms can help prevent you and your partner from getting or spreading syphilis.

If you’re pregnant, **go to all your prenatal checkups**. Ask about syphilis testing.

If you have syphilis, **get treated right away**. Early treatment can help both you and your baby.

**Ask your partner to get tested and treated** for syphilis. Without treatment, you can infect each other again and again.

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**Syphilis is a sexually transmitted infection.** It can be cured with medicine. If not treated, it can cause problems with your eyes, heart and brain. It can cause serious problems for your baby, like:

- Being born too early
- Being born too small
- Death before or after birth
- Lifelong problems with eyes, ears, teeth, bones and joints

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