Thank you for contacting us with your sexual health enquiry. If you do not have a Medicare Card, here is some

important information.

You can get free testing at the <u>Sexual</u> <u>Health Clinic</u> at Lismore. Free testing is open to everyone, no Medicare card needed.

- They help choose tests according to your concerns and risks
- They do not provide hormonal contraception (they have free condoms)
- You can book an appointment at their clinic in Lismore or Tweed Heads

- Byron Bay and the surrounding region has the highest rates of Chlamydia in Australia.
- Chlamydia can have no symptoms, and can cause infertility in women.
- This region also has the highest rate of new HIV diagnoses in men who identify as straight.

We are more than happy to see you at The Bright Side Clinic, for your sexual health or for any other concerns.

- Appointment fees are time-based \$75 for 15min, \$115 for 30 min.
- Any testing is done by a separate company, Sullivan Nicolaides Pathology. Their fee is \$110 for 1 test, \$220 for 2 or more tests. They require payment on the day the samples are collected.
- If any result is positive, it will need to be discussed in an appointment with the doctor. Results cannot be given over the phone. We will not call you in if there is nothing wrong.
- If your current or most recent partner has tested positive for chlamydia or gonorrhoea, you can be treated without being tested.
- We can provide prescriptions for hormonal contraception and PrEP (Truvada)
- We do pap smears (CST)

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FAMILY CLINIC Skin cancer

- We also have free condoms
- Please get back to us with any other questions.

NOT SURE IF YOU NEED TO SEE A DOCTOR?

Check out <u>Play</u> <u>Safe</u> or <u>Sexual</u> <u>Health Info Link</u>, or call the Info Link on 1800 451 624.

They can help you work out if seeing a doctor is necessary.

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