## Sexual Health Campaign 2017/18

### 1. Campaign overview

- 1.1 In December 2017, Public Health England began a campaign to raise awareness of STIs, in particular chlamydia and gonorrhoea, showcasing the spread and severe health issues these STIs can cause. This is in the form of a new national awareness campaign targeted at 16-24 year olds which ultimately aims to reduce rates of STIs through increased condom usage.
- 1.2 The new campaign highlights the risks associated with not using condoms and will include a new advertising campaign on social and digital platforms, partnerships with sexual health organisations and clinics, commercial partnerships and PR.
- 1.3 The campaign aims to:

**Get**: 16-24 year olds (especially 16-19 year olds and those with less sexual experience)

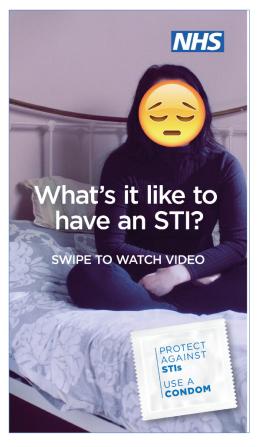
**To**: use a condom (and so reduce rates of STIs)

**By**: Increasing the perception of the risks and harms around sexually transmitted infections and position condoms as the solution.

- 1.4 The broad aim of the campaign is to help normalise condom use among young people and, in the long-term, reduce rates of STIs among the main audience group.
- 1.5 The first wave of the national campaign ran from 15<sup>th</sup> December to mid-January 2018. A second wave will take place in March 2018 with subsequent phases subject to PHE planning.

### 2. Campaign activity

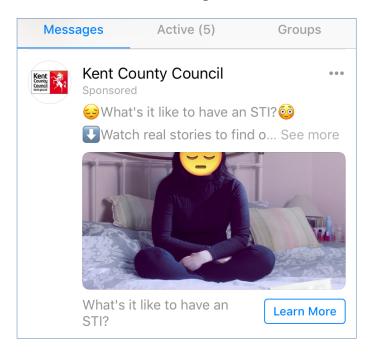
- 2.1 PHE hopes to release additional assets from April 2018 for LAs to support the campaign, which will allow for placement through other media channels. In the meantime, a limited Kent campaign extension is being delivered until the end of March to ensure an always-on approach;
  - 1. Partnership with Metro, consisting of:
    - Snapchat Ad, sent out weekly to network
    - TV screen in Universities across Kent
    - E-Newsletter send to 2k practitioners across Kent



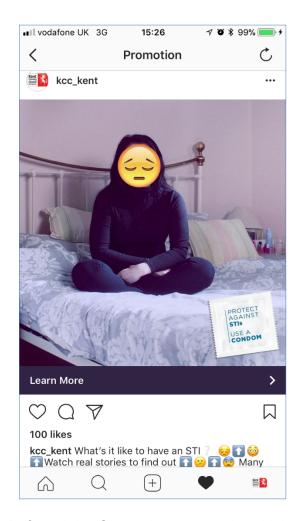


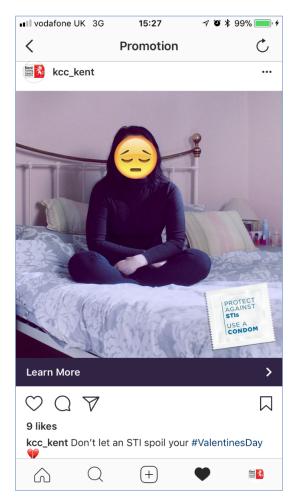
(left to right, Snapchat Ad, TV screen)

# 2. Facebook Messenger Ads



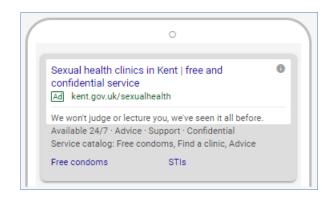
# 3. Instagram Ads





(Left to right: Campaign messaging, Valentine's Day messaging)

## 4. Google AdWords Search & Display





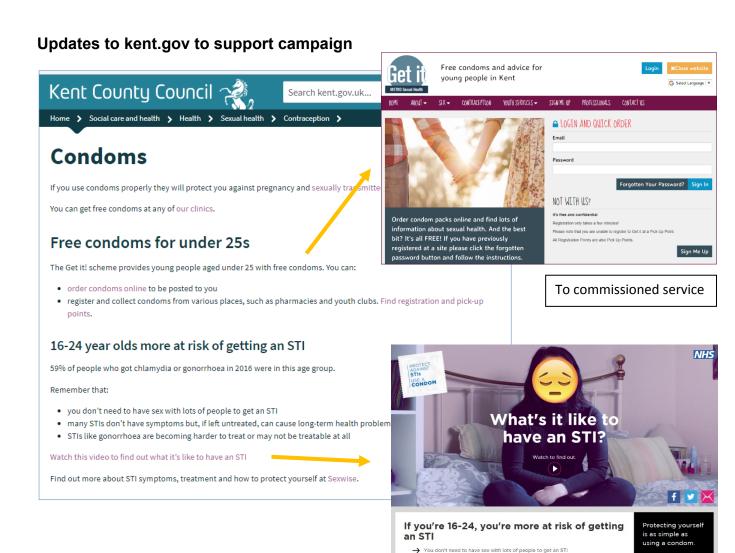
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## Display

5. Mobile Alerts – to run end February to March 2018.



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#### 3. Results

- 3.1 Between April to December 2017 the /sexualhealth 'homepage' on kent.gov received on average 1,777 sessions per week, with the /condoms page receiving 3.6% of that traffic.
- 3.2 Since 1<sup>st</sup> January 2018 the /sexualheath 'homepage' has received on average 2,752 sessions per week (+55% increase), with the /condoms page receiving 24.2% of traffic, equating to almost 5,000 visits in 7 weeks. The campaign has also directed over 1,000 young people directly to the NHS site.
- 3.3 The planned activity has proved insightful towards understanding how young people respond to our messaging, with Instagram delivering a high engagement rate, generating over 100 'Likes' on a single ad.
- 3.4 To gain further insight the campaigns team have reached out to the KYCC to run a focus group with members in March.
- 3.5 Digital tactics have allowed for a very targeted approach, with all media set to reach 16-25s <u>only</u>, resulting in very little wastage and ensuring best use of budget. To date all measurable ads have received over 1.3 million impressions.