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Dear Colleague:

We are currently experiencing an outbreak of the Monkeypox virus that is spreading across the United States. CDC has provided the STD/HIV Prevention Training Centers with supplemental funds to provide training and technical assistance to healthcare providers. As part of this effort, we have developed the attached toolkit to assist healthcare providers in the diagnosis, treatment, and management of Monkeypox.

Who this is for: Healthcare professionals providing care for people with monkeypox virus infection.

How to use: This information is intended as an aid for healthcare facilities and healthcare professionals developing plans for monkeypox virus infection treatment. Please share with healthcare providers in your state/territory.

What is included:

- Provider training slide set
- Monkeypox protocols slide set
- Templates notes for treatment start, follow up and completion
- CDC Dear Colleague letter, dated July 27, 2022

Key Points:

- Monkeypox virus infection can affect vulnerable anatomic sites, including the eyes, which may require specific therapeutic management and considerations.
- Pain is a common symptom of monkeypox virus infection, and specific considerations regarding management of pain associated with skin lesions as well as specific sites of disease (e.g., proctitis) are reviewed.

Resources:

1. [NYC STD Prevention Training Center](#)
 - a. Contact us at nycptc@cumc.columbia.edu
2. [STD Clinical Consultation Line](#)
3. [Centers for Disease Control & Prevention Monkeypox Information](#)
4. [National Network of STD Prevention Training Centers](#)

Please reach out to us with training and technical assistance questions.

Thank you,

NYC PTC