

Dear \_\_\_\_\_ ,

You have been given this letter because your partner is being treated for Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID). This condition is often caused by chlamydia, a bacterial infection that is passed on through sex. As a precaution, you should be treated for chlamydia. The treatment is easy and effective.

Please take this letter to your doctor as soon as possible.

Date

Dear Doctor

Your patient's partner is being treated for Pelvic Inflammatory Disease, a condition commonly caused by *Chlamydia trachomatis*. We recommend that your patient is treated without delay, and that treatment for chlamydia is completed even if their test is negative.

**The current recommendations for treatment of uncomplicated *C trachomatis* are:**

- Azithromycin 1 g as a single oral dose<sup>1,2</sup>  
or
- Doxycycline 100 mg bd for 7 days<sup>1,2</sup>

Chlamydial infection is often asymptomatic and there may be no abnormality found on examination.

**A repeat test to exclude re-infection is recommended 3 months after treatment.**

1. State of Victoria: Therapeutic Guidelines Antibiotic. Version eTG Complete April 2006 available from the Therapeutic Guidelines Limited- [www.tg.com.au](http://www.tg.com.au)

2. Sexually Transmitted Diseases Treatment Guidelines 2006; Morbidity and Mortality Weekly Report, August 4 2006, Vol. 55 available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention web site [www.cdc.org](http://www.cdc.org).