



## **HIV Testing Definitions:**

- Diagnostic testing: performing an HIV test based on clinical signs or symptoms
- *Targeted testing:* performing an HIV test on subpopulations of persons at higher risk based on behavioral, clinical or demographic characteristics
- Screening: performing HIV tests for all persons in a defined population
- *Opt-out:* performing an HIV test after notifying the patient that the test will be done; consent is inferred unless the patient declines
- Anonymous Testing: patient-initiated, usually through a public health clinic
- Outreach Testing: performing tests at events and non-medical locations, usually for education and prevention