

# Chancroid

[Fact sheet](http://conditions.health.qld.gov.au/HealthConditions/2/Infections-Parasites/138/Sexually-Transmitted-Diseases/840/Chancroid) [http://conditions.health.qld.gov.au/HealthConditions/2/Infections-Parasites/138/Sexually-Transmitted-Diseases/840/Chancroid] - Health conditions directory

Chancroid is a sexually transmissible infection (STI) which causes ulcers of the genitals. It is caused by a bacterium (*Haemophilus ducreyi*). Chancroid is rare in Australia. In some tropical and sub-tropical parts of the world, chancroid is the most common cause of genital ulcers. It is common in Southeast Asia, India and parts of Africa and Latin America. In Australia, it usually occurs only in people who have travelled or lived in these areas and have become infected there.

## Public health management guidelines

- Read [Queensland Health guidelines for public health units](https://www.health.qld.gov.au/cdcg/index/chancroid.asp) [https://www.health.qld.gov.au/cdcg/index/chancroid.asp] [http://www.health.qld.gov.au/cdcg/index/chancroid.asp]

## Notification

### Pathology laboratories

- [Notification criteria for pathology laboratories](https://www.health.qld.gov.au/cdcg/documents/notif-criteria-guide.pdf) [https://www.health.qld.gov.au/cdcg/documents/notif-criteria-guide.pdf] (PDF, 55kB)
- [Notification and reporting criteria](https://www.health.qld.gov.au/cdcg/index/chancroid.asp#nc) [https://www.health.qld.gov.au/cdcg/index/chancroid.asp#nc]

### Notification resources

- List of all [Pathological, clinical and provisional diagnosis notifiable conditions](https://www.health.qld.gov.au/clinical-practice/guidelines-procedures/diseases-infection/notifiable-conditions/list/default.asp) [https://www.health.qld.gov.au/clinical-practice/guidelines-procedures/diseases-infection/notifiable-conditions/list/default.asp]
- List of [Public Health Unit](https://www.health.qld.gov.au/system-governance/contact-us/contact/public-health-units/default.asp) [https://www.health.qld.gov.au/system-governance/contact-us/contact/public-health-units/default.asp] contacts
- [Notifiable conditions report form for Queensland clinicians](https://www.health.qld.gov.au/publications/clinical-practice/guidelines-procedures/diseases-infection/notif-conditions-rpt.pdf) [https://www.health.qld.gov.au/publications/clinical-practice/guidelines-procedures/diseases-infection/notif-conditions-rpt.pdf] (PHA S70 [http://www.health.qld.gov.au/ph/documents/cdb/notif\_conditions\_rpt.pdf]) (PDF, 48kB) - if faxing notification, follow up by phone.

## Clinical guidelines

- [Australian STI management guidelines](http://www.sti.guidelines.org.au/sexually-transmissible-infections/chancroid) [http://www.sti.guidelines.org.au/sexually-transmissible-infections/chancroid] - an online resource for primary care health professionals which provide concise information to support the prevention, testing, diagnosis, management and treatment of STIs.