

A couple making love, two people sharing needles, a man in a bed receiving a blood transfusion and a pregnant Indian woman; warning by the World Health Organization about the modes of transmission of HIV. Colour lithograph, ca. 1995.

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MODES OF TRANSMISSION

HIV is transmitted in three ways:



Sexual intercourse — from any HIV infected person to his or her partner (man to woman, woman to man, man to man). Women are more at risk than men.



Blood-sharing HIV contaminated needles or other skin piercing instruments.



Blood — through HIV infected blood transfusion or blood products.



HIV infected mother to infant, before, during and after child birth.

**HIV SPREADS THROUGH SPECIFIC IDENTIFIABLE HUMAN ACTIONS,
ALL SUBJECT TO HUMAN INFLUENCE AND CONTROL.**

