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Since the early days of the epidemic, misconceptions about HIV/AIDS have abounded. But knowing the facts is critical to protecting yourself from this life-threatening disease. Test your knowledge with MSNBC's quiz.

1. Women are most likely to contract HIV through:

- A. Heterosexual sex
- B. Injection drug use
- C. Contaminated blood transfusions

2. How long after possible exposure to HIV does the CDC recommend you be tested in order to rule out infection?

- A. One month
- B. Six months
- C. Doesn't matter

3. HIV can be contracted from:

- A. A toilet seat
- B. Oral sex
- C. A mosquito bite

4. Risk of contracting HIV is increased by:

- A. Being infected with another sexually transmitted disease (STD)
- B. Drinking from the same glass as an infected person
- C. Shaking hands with someone who is infected

5. Which of the following offers protection against HIV?

- A. Diaphragm
- B. The pill
- C. None of the above

6. Some medical centers are offering drug therapy that may be able to:

- A. Cure AIDS
- B. Help prevent HIV infection shortly after exposure
- C. Effectively treat HIV/AIDS without side effects

7. Pregnant women infected with HIV:

- A. Are very unlikely to infect their child
- B. Are powerless to prevent their child from contracting the virus
- C. Can take medication to reduce the risk of mother-to-child transmission

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