Safer Sex

Topic: Checking in After Unprotected Sex

Partner 1: Hey... I have to be honest. I'm a little freaked out that we had unprotected sex last night.

Partner 2: Why?

Partner 1: I don't like taking chances, and I worry about HIV and STIs.

Partner 2: I'm sure it's fine. You think I'm hiding something from you?

Partner 1: No, I just try to be as safe as possible. And we're both seeing other people, so you really just never know.

Partner 2: Well, it's done now... we can't go back in time.

Partner 1: But wait, there are pills that can protect you from getting HIV and other STIs. (PEP can protect you if you've been exposed to HIV. And, doxy PEP can prevent other STIs, like chlamydia, gonorrhea, and syphilis).

Partner 2: When do you have to take them?

Partner 1: Like, as soon as possible — within 72 hours after having sex.

Partner 2: Where can you get these pills?

Partner 1: Planned Parenthood, a local clinic, or we could use a telehealth provider who can call in a script to a local pharmacy.

Partner 2: OK, I guess that's not a bad idea. Want to figure this out together and get what we need?

Partner 1: Sure! And next time we have sex, let's make sure we're protected.

Partner 2: Deal.