# Comprehensive HIV/STI Program with Sex Workers" (PPE 648 PM)

為性工作者提供的HIV/性病綜合服務計劃

## - Aim and Objectives

性健康對性工作者而言一直都是工作上的風險,本計劃透過教育和充權工作,一方面提升性工作者和客人社群對安全性行為和定期檢測的意識並養成習慣,另一方面為性工作者建立自信,以拒絕客人提出的高風險性行為,減少雙方感染愛滋病病毒和性病的風險。

To sex workers community, HIV/STDs are potential risks during their work. This program tried to increase sex workers and their clients' willingness on safe sex and regular HIV/STDs rapid test through education and empowerment. To increase sex workers' self-esteem may help them to refuse high risk sex which usually proposed by their clients. It may decrease their risk of inflecting HIV/STDs.

#### - Project design

本計劃透過持續的外展工作、舉辦職業安全工作坊及社群凝聚活動、定期出版和派發通訊等工作,與性工作者及跨境男性性接觸者社群建立緊密聯繫,並進行教育和充權工作。

本計劃會為性工作者及跨境男性性接觸者社群提供免費愛滋病病毒、梅毒及丙型肝炎快速測試服務,亦會為他們提供免費安全套和潤滑油,確保他們於愛滋病和性病預防上得到充足的資源。社群若感染愛滋病病毒或性病,本計劃亦會安排緊急輔導服務、轉介服務和陪診服務,讓感染者了解自己感染情況後積極接受治療。

Outreach activities, occupational safety workshops, community social events, publication and distribution of newsletters etc. are the works which included in this program. Through these works, organization can keep close contacts to the sex works and cross-border MSM community, and to carry out education and empowerment services.

Organization provided free condoms and lubricants for sex workers and cross-border MSM community, to ensure they have sufficient resources to have safe sex. We also provided HIV/Syphilis/HCV rapid tests to the community. If anyone have a positive result in the rapid test, we will provide instant consultation services, referral services and accompany them to hospital. We hope that they will have positive attitude to treatment after they fully understand their situation.

## - Target population

本計劃分為五部份,各部份針對的社群包括(1)本地男性性工作者、(2)年輕男性性工作者、(3)外勞男性性工作者、(4) 跨性別性工作者及以(5)跨境男性性接觸者/性工作者。

There are five parts in the program, each part will concern about different communities, including (1) Local male sex worker, (2) Young male sex worker, (3) Migrant male sex worker, (4) Transgender sex worker and (5) Cross-border sex worker and MSM.

#### - Main achievements

本計劃為期三年,共為1260名性工作者及跨境男性性接觸者提供快速測試服務,並於三年間為社群提供超16萬個安全套。本計劃期間跟進過69個於愛滋病病毒快速測試呈陽性反應的個案,並依據其出生地轉介至香港、中國內地、菲律賓及泰國等地的醫院接受治療。

This program continued for 3 years, and we carried out 1260 rapid test for sex workers and cross-border community. We also distributed more than 160 thousands of condoms to the community within 3 years. We followed 69 cases which showed positive result during rapid test, and we referred them to hospital in Hong Kong, mainland China, Philippine, Thailand etc. depends on where are they come from.

#### - Conclusions

由於性工作者社群於性健康方面存在隱憂,大部份性工作者亦樂意於性交易時進行安全性行為,但由於性工作者的流動性相當大,增加了機構進行教育和充權工作的困難。

As sexual health is an issue to sex worker community, most of the sex workers are willing to have safe sex during their business. However, the high mobility of sex workers increase the difficulty to carry out education and empowerment services.