

Comprehensive HIV/STI Program with Sex Workers" (PPE 683 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

本計劃透過定期的場所外展和網上外展、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 worker community, and to carry out education and empowerment services.

Organization provided free condoms and lubricants for sex workers 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

本計劃分為三部份，各部份針對的社群包括(1)本地男性性工作者、(2)年輕男性性工作者及(3) 跨性別性工作者。

There are three parts in the program, each part will concern about different communities, including (1) Local male sex worker, (2) Young male sex worker and (3) Transgender sex worker.

Main achievements

本計劃於一年間共為 93 名本地男性性工作者、63 名年輕男性性工作者及 61 名跨性別性工作者提供快速測試服務，並向他們提供超過 24000 個安全套。本計劃期間跟進過 4 名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和菲律賓的醫院接受治療。

Throughout the project year, we carried out 93 rapid tests for local male sex workers, 63 rapid tests for young male sex workers and 61 rapid tests for transgender sex workers. We also distributed more than 24 thousands condoms to the community. We followed 4 cases which showed positive result during rapid test, and we referred them to hospital in Hong Kong and Philippine depends on where are they come from.

Conclusions

性工作者社群對安全性行為的意識一般而言都較高，亦很樂意接收機構派發的安全工具和接受定期檢測。然而，仍然有不少因素促成性工作者與客人之間發生不安全性行為，當中以 Chem Fun 後不使用安全套的趨勢最為令人擔憂。很多時候，性工作者並不會於與機構接觸時主動披露自身有 Chem Fun 習慣，需要持續建立關係後才能較容易認識到他們的 Chem Fun 及高風險性行為習慣，以進行健康干預。

Generally, sex workers are aware to have safe sex and regular test. They are also willing to receive condoms and lubricants from organization. However, there are some factors may trigger sex workers to have unsafe sex with clients, the growing trend of Chem Fun is one of these factors and it is worrying. Most of the time, sex workers with Chem Fun habit are not willing to disclose their behavior. For sexual health intervention, it is necessary to build up a closer relationship for them to talk

about their Chem Fun and unsafe sex habit with us.