

為性工作者提供的 HIV 及性病綜合服務計劃 (PPE 697 PM)

Aim and Objectives

本計劃的目標是為男性／跨性別性工作者及其顧客社群提供愛滋病及性病預防和關懷服務，以減低社群感染愛滋病及性病的風險，及讓感染者及早治療。透過充權和教育工作，讓性工作者及其顧客社群提升安全性行為和定期檢測的意識，並養成習慣，及提升其對愛滋病和性病的認識。此外，亦會培養性工作者社群提升自身權益的意識，建立身份認同及自信，達至更有效拒絕要求高風險性行為的客人。

Project design

項目設計上，會透過定期的場所外展及網上外展與性工作者及其顧客社群保持聯繫，期間會派發免費安全套和潤滑油，和定期出版的通訊，提供愛滋病及性病相關資訊，以及行業資訊，亦會為社群舉辦職業安全工作坊和社群凝聚活動。此外，亦會開設社群朋輩義工培訓，培訓有興趣成為義工的社群成員參與外展，加強社群的自我身份認同和自信，期間亦會學習到外展技巧和愛滋病及性病相關知識。

本計劃亦會為性工作者及其顧客社群提供免費愛滋病病毒和梅毒快速測試服務，若社群於檢測期間發現感染，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。

Target population

本計劃分為兩部份，第一部份針對本地男性性工作者及其顧客、年輕男性性工作者、年輕男男性接觸者及內地來港工作的男性性工作者；第二部份則針對跨性別性工作者及少數族裔男性性工作者。

Main achievements

本計劃於一年間共為 92 名本地男性性工作者、121 名本地男性性工作者顧客、104 名年輕男性性工作者、142 名年輕男男性接觸者、101 名內地來港工作男性性工作者、74 名跨性別性工作者及 38 名少數族裔男性性工作者提供快速測試服務，並向他們提供超過 85000 個安全套。本計劃期間跟進過 8 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。

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。最常出現不安全性行為的情況不少是與親密關係伴侶或 Chem Fun 習慣相關。Chem Fun 後不使用安全套的情況仍然是令人擔心的趨勢。

此外，2020年初開始爆發的 COVID-19 疫情對本計劃的工作亦有所影響，例如場所關閉導致外展工作受限制、外地來港性工作者大幅減少影響服務社群人數、集體活動需要中止舉行等，需要轉向以網上方式接觸社群和維持關係。

Comprehensive HIVSTI Program with Sex Workers (PPE 697 PM)

Aim and Objectives

The aim and objective of this program is to provide HIV/STI prevention and care service for male/transgender sex workers and their clients, for reducing their risks of infecting HIV/STI, and to encourage HIV+ people to start treatment as soon as possible. Throughout empowerment and education, we hope to increase their awareness of safe sex and regular test. Moreover, increasing sex workers' self-esteem may help them to refuse high risk sex which usually proposed by their clients. It may decrease their risk of infecting HIV/STDs.

Project design

In this program design, we keep contact with sex workers and their clients through regular outreach, and we will distribute free condoms, lubricants and newsletter during outreach, to provide HIV/STD information and industry information. We also hold occupational safety workshop and social activities for sex workers.

Peer volunteer training is the activity for community members who are willing to contribute to join as a volunteer and to participate in outreach. Through the volunteer training, they will know more about HIV/STD, outreach skills and to build up self-esteem.

We also provided HIV and Syphilis rapid tests to the community. If anyone has 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 a positive attitude to have treatment after they fully understand their situation.

Target population

There are two parts in the program, each part will concern different communities. The first part targeted on local male sex workers and their clients, young male sex workers, young men who have sex with men and male sex workers from mainland China. The second part targeted on transgender sex workers and ethnic minority sex workers.

Main achievements

Throughout the project year, we carried out 92 rapid tests for local male sex workers, 121 rapid tests for clients of local male sex workers, 104 rapid tests for young male sex workers, 142 rapid tests for young men who have sex with men, 101 rapid tests for male sex workers from Mainland China, 74 rapid tests for transgender sex workers and 38 rapid tests for ethnic minority male sex workers. We also distributed more than 85000 condoms to the

community. We followed 8 cases which showed positive results during rapid tests, and we referred them to hospitals in Hong Kong and Philippine depending on where they come from.

Conclusions

Generally, sex workers are aware to have safe sex and regular test. They are also willing to receive condoms and lubricants from the organization. The most common factors of unsafe sex are from regular partners with intimacy and habits of Chem Fun. The growing trend of Chem Fun is one of these factors and it is worrying.

Since the beginning of 2020, pandemics of COVID-19 affect the program execution. For example, closure of venues decrease numbers of community members, cancellation of mass activities etc. It is necessary to keep contact with the community through online methods.