women concerned about contracting an STI, nearly half (49%) worry about trich increasing their risk of HIV. Only 5% indicate preterm birth and low birth weight babies as cause for concern. After reading a description of 55% say they are likely to ask their healthcare provider to test for trich. The facts most likely to make women get tested: testing is simple, easy, and painless and trichomoniasis can be easily cured; trichomoniasis doesn’t always show signs or symptoms.

Conclusions Awareness of trichomoniasis is very low. A number of factors affect whether women will choose to be tested. Education about different causes of vaginal discharge, consequences of trich, and ease of testing and treating are important.


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By the CF «Hope and rescue» in Simferopol in 2010 was realised one of the first projects in the world-the pilot project on the HIV prevention among the women of commercial sex (WCS) with the help of the model «Peer Driven Intervention»

Primary purpose of this intervention was involving of new clients especially from priority difficult of access groups, providing the clients with new and comprehensive knowledge’s on the HIV, STD prevention and less risky sexual behaviour.

Introduction of the project on HIV prevention among WCS by a model «PDI» was very urgent for the region because the majority of the WCS are part of the so-called closed group. It is very difficult to involve these women in participating of the projects on HIV and STD prevention, overcome services of the programme Harm reduction.

The women of commercial sex, which were not the clients of the project Harm reduction, were the target group of the project. The priority group included women of commercial sex at the age to 25 years inclusive.

The peculiarity of the model «PDI» consisted in that every participant of the project got the possibility to take part independently in measures on prevention in their own community. In the project women are interviewed, taught and get preventive services. Model «PDI» provides a motivational gift for every client for passing of the interview, nominal money fee for involving of WCS from a priority group and gifts for the successful teaching of WCS from their community.

With the help of the project we managed to involve 544 clients which later became the clients of the project Harm reduction. Together with active participating of WCS in the preventive programmes the very important result of the project revealed in a changing of the behaviour for less risky.

P4.117 BRAZILIAN STRATEGIES FOR ADHERENCE TO USE OF FEMALE CONDOMS


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Background HIV prevention success requires a number of sustainable, specific and inter-sectoral actions, among which is expanded access to inputs such as female condoms. Female condoms expand the strategies to fight the feminization of AIDS and unplanned pregnancies. Brazil has increased the purchase of these condoms from 2 million per year to 50 million units per year. Considering the importance of adapting strategies regarding female condom use to Brazilian reality, a qualification and awareness-raising process for the use and distribution of female condoms to users and professionals was developed in 2012 with the purpose of reducing gender inequalities and ensuring sexual and reproductive rights.

Methods Pilot workshops were conducted in three Brazilian state capitals (Porto Alegre, RS; São Paulo, SP; Brasília, DF) using focal group methodology and participant observation. The groups consisted of: managers and professionals from government programmes, young and adult female users of basic healthcare units, young and adult women living with HIV/AIDS, sex workers, and injectable drug users. This study attempted to obtain information for the formulation of a communication strategy for promoting and increasing accessibility to and usage of female condoms, while concurrently training participants in the implementation of strategic actions based on their own experiences.

Results Some of the strategic issues concerning female condom adherence pointed out by the groups were: knowledge of the input’s effectiveness, the need for men’s participation, erotization strategies, and use by older women (who also aided in the development and promotion of information materials).

Conclusion The groups organised were essential for improving female condom access and usage strategies and in promoting women’s human rights, especially with regard to the exercise of their own sexuality.

P4.118 HIV NONDISCLOSURE: A RIGHT TO KNOW?


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In many jurisdictions, it is a crime for an HIV-positive person to have sex without first disclosing his or her serostatus. Such prosecutions persist in spite of substantial evidence that they do not reduce transmission or risky behaviour. I argue that an underevaluated sexual autonomy rationale undergirds such prosecutions. U.S. and Canadian courts have held that nondisclosure of HIV violates a partner’s right to “informed” sexual consent, transforming otherwise consensual sex into a crime akin to rape. The sexual autonomy rationale draws on feminist insights about sexual consent and consent, but has not yet been subjected to rigorous feminist critique. This Article presents the first-ever comprehensive analysis of identifiable nondisclosure prosecutions in the United States, and advances a critical race feminist challenge to the premises and application of this rationale. Criminal law does not protect a general rule that sexual consent be “informed”: while HIV nondisclosure is a crime, almost all other forms of sexual deception often presumed to be normative lies men tell to women are lawful. HIV disclosure laws are also so under- and overinclusive with respect to transmission risk that they seem better designed to reduce anxiety about HIV than to reduce transmission. Furthermore, criminal protection of this interest is selective. Although most sexual transmission of HIV and, likely, most nondisclosure takes place between men, most defendants are men accused of nondisclosure to women. Racialized and sexual HIV stigma intersects with gendered assumptions about sexual victimisation so that, when a woman has noncommercial heterosexual without knowing that her partner had HIV, she, unlike other uninformed sexual partners, may be seen as a victim of sexual crime.

P4.119 STATE CHARACTERISTICS ASSOCIATED WITH THE PRESENCE OF LAWS AUTHORIZING EXPEDITED PARTNER THERAPY IN THE UNITED STATES


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