Trainning Workshop

Innovative HIV Prevention and Treatment Strategies for Key and Priority Populations: Implementation and Evaluation

24-26 June 2019, Lisbon, Portugal

The aim of this course is to provide participants with practical guidance on how to design, implement and evaluate interventions along the continuum of HIV care, in particular HIV testing, linkage to care and retention on ART. The course will specifically address interventions that are targeted to men who have sex with men (MSM) and migrants, since these populations play a major role in the HIV epidemic in Portugal.

The objectives of the course are to:

- Illustrate innovative and effective approaches for HIV testing, including partner notification, HIV self-testing, social network testing and testing within networks of recently infected persons
- Outline how the analysis and use of national and sub-national data can assist in optimizing uptake of testing and testing yield
- Review the use of PrEP for at-risk persons found to be HIV-uninfected in testing programs
- Describe best practices for incorporating testing for recent HIV infection in case-based surveillance and case finding interventions
- Highlight best practices for assuring and measuring linkage between prevention and treatment services
- Describe strategies to identify individuals with newly diagnosed HIV infection and those previously diagnosed with HIV who have either failed to engage in care or who have disengaged from care and treatment and link them to ART clinical services
- Highlight importance of the use of granular data to intensify HIV control efforts
- Provide overview of effective linkage to ART strategies and interventions to optimize retention, such as case management, patient navigators and the use of social media.





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Teaching Methods

The course consists of lectures, exercises and case studies. It is designed to provide participants with practical skills and knowledge in development, implementation and evaluation of HIV interventions.

Participants will have opportunities to share their own experiences in implementation and evaluation of HIV programmes among populations at higher risk of HIV, and challenges that have been encountered.

Target Audience

Professionals working on planning, implementation and evaluation of HIV prevention and treatment programs

Lecturers

- Professor George W. Rutherford, MD, Global Health Sciences, University of California, San Francisco, USA.
- Associate professor Ivana Bozicevic, MD, DrPH, WHO Collaborating Centre for HIV Strategic Information, School of Medicine, University of Zagreb, Croatia.





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Programme

24 June 2019

09.00 - 09.30	Welcome and Introductions
09.30 - 10.00	HIV care continuum in Portugal
10.00 - 11.00	Size estimation of key populations Estimating the number of people living with HIV
11.00 - 11.20	Break
11.20 - 12.10	Selecting a strategic mix of HIV testing modalities to improve testing coverage and yield High-yield HIV testing with examples (HIV case finding interventions, social network testing, partner notification)
12.10 - 13.00	Incorporating HIV recency testing for all newly diagnosed with HIV in routine HIV testing services Social network testing that targets people recently infected with HIV
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch
14.00 - 15.10	Discussion/exercise: Which approaches to HIV testing should be scaled up in Portugal and in which population groups?
15.10 - 15.30	Break
15.30 - 16.30	Evaluation of HIV testing coverage using routinely collected data and observational study design Developing targets







Programme

25 June 2019

09.00 - 09.50	Models of implementation and evaluation of HIV self-testing
09.50 - 10.50	Interventions to increase linkage to HIV care, same day ART initiation and retention on ART Monitoring linkage to HIV care, ART initiation and retention
10.50 - 11.10	Break
11.10 - 12.10	Exercise: Monitoring linkage to HIV care and ART initiation
12.10 - 13.00	Linking to HIV prevention services after HIV testing – monitoring HIV re-testing and uptake of PrEP and other prevention interventions
13.00 - 14.00	Lunch
14.00 - 14.20	Introduction to group work
14.20 - 15.30	Group work
15.30 - 15.50	Break
15.30 - 16.30	Group work





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26 June 2019

09.00 - 10.00	Interventions to improve adherence and to re-engage patients in ART care
10.00 - 11.00	Differentiated ART service delivery for key and priority populations
11.00 - 11.20	Break
11.20 - 12.30	Examples of successful "Test and Treat" strategies Defining sustained HIV epidemic control
12.30 - 13.30	Lunch
13.30 - 15.00	Group work
15.00 - 15.15	Break
15.15 - 16.30	Presentations of group work



