

" Programmatic examples of successful integration of services to address hepatitis C, HIV and the wellbeing of people who use drugs"

The Mauritian Model

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So the actual reality...

- Huge disparity between poor and rich
- High rate of gender based violence
- High rate of stigma and discrimination
- Very repressive drug laws



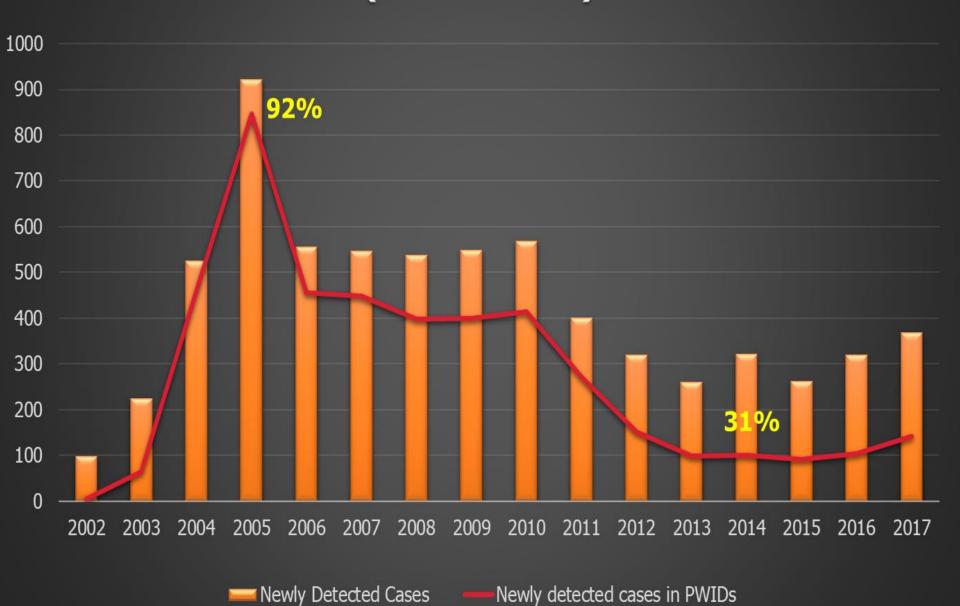
Some key statistics

- Estimates of PLHIV 8000
- Estimates of People living with HCV 10000
- Number of people who inject drugs: 6000 8000
- 83.7% Male; 15.3 Females; 1% Transgender
- Number of people on Methadone: 5700
- Number of people accessing Needles & Syringe programmes:6682
- Prevalence HIV PWID: 32.4%
- Prevalence HCV: 88.8%
- 1 in 3 PWIDs infected with both HCV HIV



- HIV & AIDS ACT introduced 2006
- NSP started illegally 2005
- MST introduced in 2006
- Expanded under GF in 2010

HIV Incidence (2002 - 2017)





Methadone in Mauritius

- Number of MST sites: 40 + 4 in prisons
- Number outside police stations: 23
- Number in Health care: 12
- Number in community: 5
- Time: 6:00 a.m 8.00 a.m
- Induction sites: St Croix, Bouloux(female), Mahebourg
- 1-week induction; 1 contact person/ responsible
- Take away home doses only for specific cases

Needle & Syringe Programme

- NSP: 47 sites
- Govt 36 sites
- CUT: 11 sites
- MoHW 1500 persons
- CUT 5182 persons (4665 are males and 517 are females)
- Number of syringes 448663
- Number of needles 463788
- HCV and HIV tests offered









HCV elimination 2025

- 9000 bottles of pills HEPCLUSA (Sofosbuvir + Velpatasvir) and VOSEVI (Velpatasvir et Voxilaprevir) received from Gilead
 - Treatment available for 3000 patients (3 bottles per patients)
 - Treatment period of 12 weeks
- 13 Treatment Centres;
 - 5 Regional Hospitals
 - 5 DCCI
 - 3 Methadone Induction Sites (Mahébourg, St Croix, Bouloux)
- Prisons
 - HCV testing to begin
 - HCV treatment soon after

Challenges

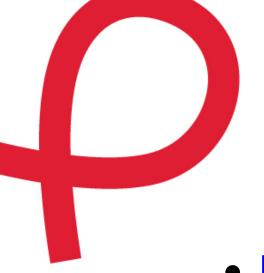
- GF leaving in 2023 High income country status
- Paraphernalia with DDA
- High threshold HR programmes
- Harm reduction package for prisons
- Drug laws
- Stigma and discrimination





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