

## Who Aren't We Reaching? Measuring gaps in PrEP uptake in Gay and Bisexual Men (GBM) at High HIV Risk Using the ACCESS sentinel surveillance system

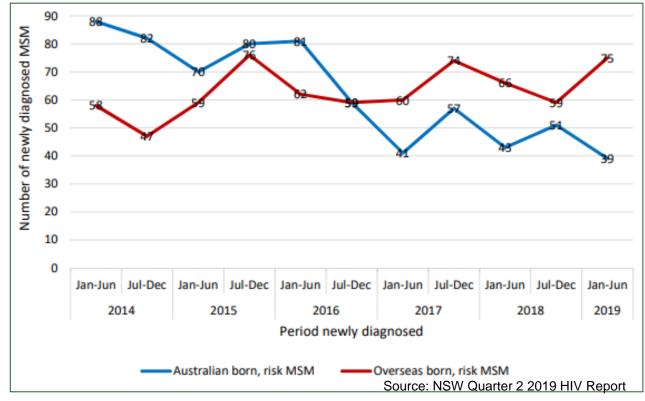
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## HIV notifications in gay & bisexual men, NSW



- Rapid decline in HIV notifications in NSW
- BUT not in all subgroups
- PrEP needs to reach all high risk men



#### Aims

# Once high-risk men attend sexual health services

- 1. What is the PrEP uptake?
- 2. Are there any subgroups where uptake in lower?



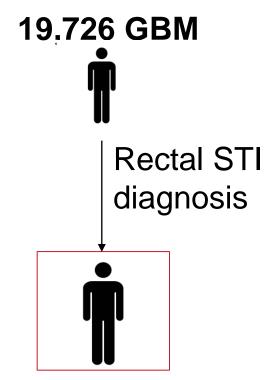
#### Data source and study population





#### **37 ACCESS clinics**

- Sexual health clinics
- Community sites
- High case load GBM general practices



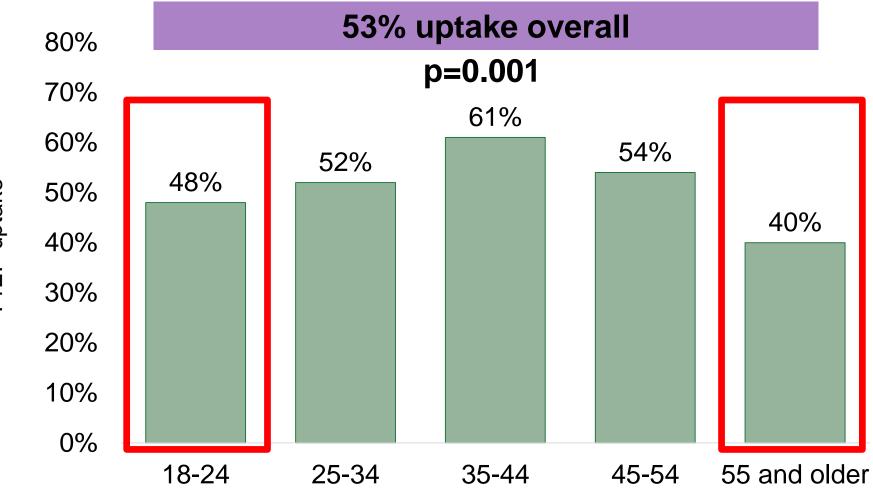
1418 high risk (HR) GBM



#### July 2017-June 2018



#### By age group

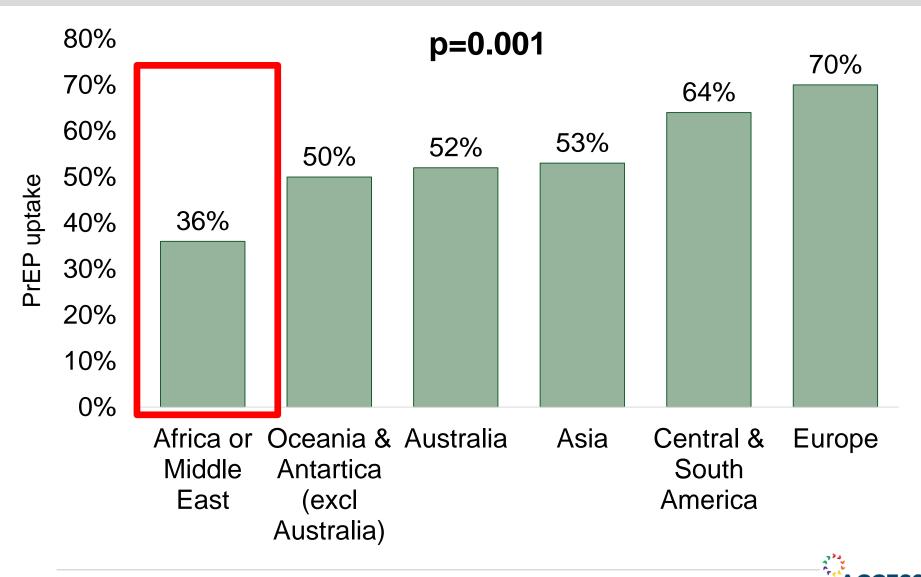




PrEP uptake



#### By region of birth





#### By time since arrival







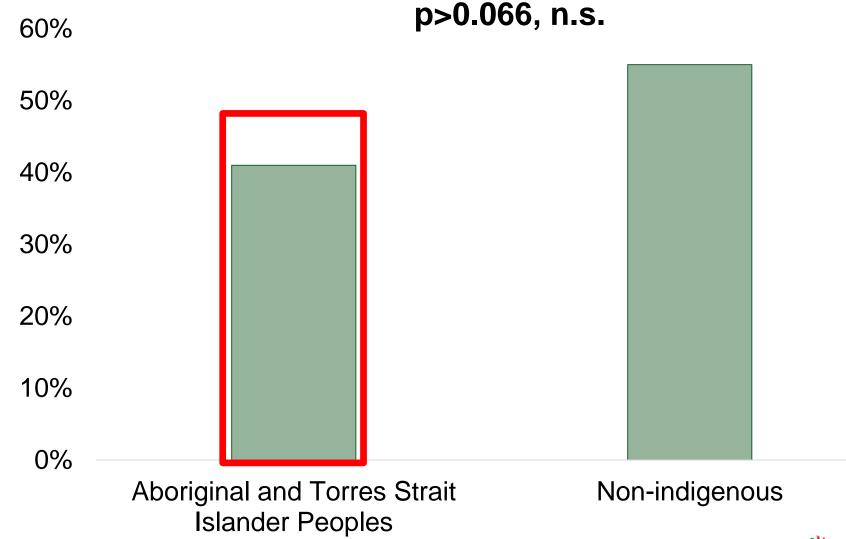
#### By gaybourhood







## By Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander status







### Conclusions

- In a clinical population
  - 53% uptake of PrEP
  - Lower in younger and older men, living outside of 'gay suburbs', born in Middle East/Africa, newly arrived and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander
- Need to understand barriers to PrEP uptake
- Findings can inform targeted health promotion strategies





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