



International Students Project (HIV)



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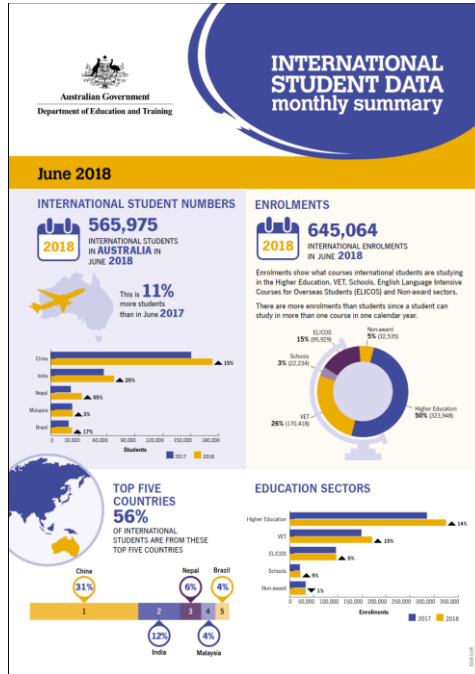


Multicultural HIV & Hepatitis Service

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"To work with and empower culturally and linguistically diverse individuals and communities in NSW to improve health and well-being in relation to HIV, hepatitis B and hepatitis C; to encourage other agencies to respond appropriately and equitably to affected communities; to work collaboratively, embrace innovation and demonstrate leadership in responding to emerging needs."

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International students in NSW

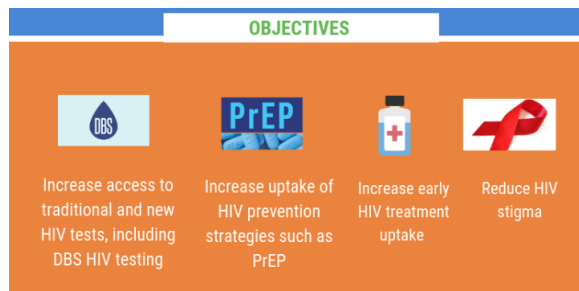
Month	Dec		
Nationality	(All)		
State	NSW		
Sum of DATA YTD	Year		
Sector	2015	2016	2017
Higher Education	92,035	105,504	124,844
VET	72,051	79,060	90,135
Schools	5,655	6,072	6,485
ELICOS	57,561	58,402	60,137
Non-award	13,948	17,546	21,624
Grand Total	241,250	266,584	303,225

- source: <https://internationaleducation.gov.au/research/DataVisualisations/Pages/Student-number.aspx>



International Students Project (HIV) Why?

- Increase in HIV notifications
- Low uptake of PoCT & PrEP &
- Increase in the number of International students





What have we achieved to date?

- Mapping Exercise
- Established an Advisory Group
- Consultations & forming partnerships
- Development & delivery of HIV Education module
- Participation at relevant students activities
- Social Media campaigns
- Capacity Building Strategy



Consultations & forming partnerships

- Contacted > 20 education providers
- Meetings with School Directors/Students' Advisors/Teachers





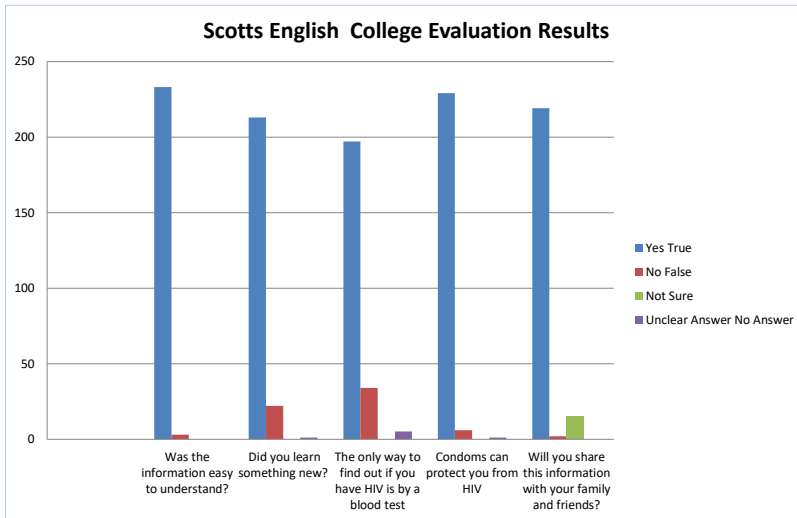
HIV Education module

- Positive speaker's personal story
- What is HIV?
- Testing
- Treatments?
- Risk activities?
- How to stay safe?
- Q & A
- Evaluation and distribution of Goody bags.



The slides cover the following topics:

- Introduction: Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis Service, www.mhahs.org.au
- What is HIV? HIV is a virus, HIV causes AIDS, Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
- How do you get it? Blood and body fluids from a HIV positive person
- Did you know... HIV is NOT transmitted by: kissing, hugging, or sneezing; sharing food with someone who has HIV; sharing food with someone who has HIV; sharing a toilet or a shower; or taking the same street or motorcycle
- How to stay safe? Safe sex: Condoms protect from HIV and STIs; Safer sex: Use condoms when you get a tattoo or piercing; Safer sex: needle use
- Where to go? HIV test: Why get a test? (Healthcare, Blood donation, Needle exchange, Drug use, Home testing kit)
 - Sexual Health Clinics: SSHC (Sydney Sexual Health Clinic), PHC (Public Health Clinic), GPHC (General Practice Health Clinic)
- Contact us: Multicultural HIV and Hepatitis Service, Phone: (02) 9555 1236, FREE call: 1 800 050 030 (TOW), www.mhahs.org.au



quote from students

- *I love this city because it is beautiful and everybody can take this information*
- *Use a condom*
- *Very interesting topic*
- *Excellent*
- *I would like to "give" test*
- *Speak a little slower - use simpler vocabulary*
- *You are very "bravo" and cheerful , I am really proud of you*
- *Good Job , thank you for sharing*
- *Having a lived experience speaker as part of the presentation is so powerful. Thank you*
- *I love it*
- *Very useful, interesting especially for international students. It is very important to educate the teachers of international students*
- *Congratulations for the campaign to prevent*
- *Presentation was so honest, I like this*
- *Excellent and useful presentation*
- *How I get PREP?*
- *Thank you so much for the information , it is very important for our life*
- *It was beneficial for young people*



Reaching over 800 students

Date	Venue	Organisation	Language	Duration	Participants	No of sessions
13/03/2018	Sydney	SCOTS College	English	1hr	236	8
22/03/2018	Sydney	ELS	English	1hr	35	1
15/04/2018	Sydney	IGLU student residential	English	1hr	4	1
15/05/2018	Sydney	SELC City Campus	English	1hr	59	2
17/05/2018	Sydney	Lonsdale	English	1hr	39	2
24/05/2018	Sydney	SELC City Campus	English	1hr	73	4
24- 26 /07/2018	Bondi	SELC Bondi Campus	English	1hr	265	11
1/08/2018	Sydney	SELC City Campus	English	1hr	6	1
Total					717	30



At relevant students' activities





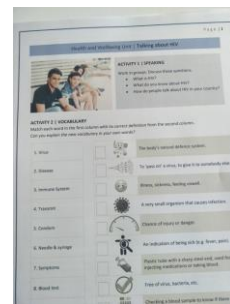
Social media(MHAHS Facebook)

- DBS HIV testing social media campaigns
Total reach: 683,336 impressions
- PrEP social media campaign
Total reach: 44,752 impressions



Capacity Building

English integrated skills teaching module featuring HIV as the subject matter .





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Conclusion

- Long term approach
- Involvement of target group
- Partnership and collaboration



Thank you



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