

On our way to ending HIV in NSW

Is this the end of the beginning?

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Welcome

Acknowledgment of Country



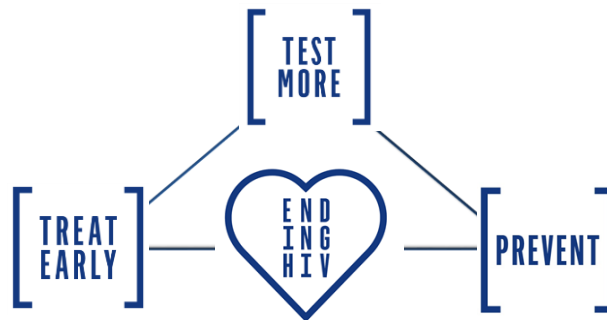
Overview - HIV in New South Wales



- Estimated 10,300 people with HIV in NSW.
- Australia's most populous state (7.5 million)
- HIV concentrated among men who have sex with men (approximately 80% caseload).
- HIV transmission virtually eliminated – that is kept at very low levels - in people who inject drugs, sex workers and from mother to child.



NSW HIV Strategy



NSW HIV Strategy – 2012 to 2020

- NSW adopted an ambitious new HIV Strategy in 2012.
- Responded to increases in newly diagnosed HIV infection.
- Focused on opportunities provided by scientific advances in testing, prevention and treatment.
- Committed NSW to the ambitious goal of virtually eliminating HIV transmission by 2020.
- Strategy set additional targets to help drive Strategy implementation – testing, treatment, safe injecting and harm reduction, linkage to care.
- MSM a major focus of the Strategy - reflecting the pattern of the NSW HIV epidemic.
- Continuing focus on prevention and treatment programs to target people in other populations at high risk to HIV – e.g. Asian MSM, indigenous people, CALD.

NSW HIV Strategy – 2012 to 2020

- Continuing support for HIV programs to reach sex workers and injecting drug users, and harm reduction approaches (needle and syringe program).

Implementation Drivers

- Underpinned by partnership – health sector, community, people with HIV, research and government.
- Implementation driven by the NSW HIV/STI Strategy Implementation Committee, comprising major implementers.
- The NSW Ministry of Health, NHMRC, and UNSW Australia are funding a 5-year partnership project to enhance innovation, monitoring and evaluation of the Strategy.
- NSW HIV Strategy 2016-2020: fine tuning, re-setting some programs targets, retained the central target of achieving the virtual elimination of HIV transmission by 2020.

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TEST OFTEN + TREAT EARLY + STAY SAFE = 2020



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Aims of Symposium on NSW HIV Strategy

This symposium will review progress and data, particularly over the past 12 months (since the last ASHM Symposium).

Our speakers will present on the following topics:

- HIV testing
- HIV treatment
- Surveillance of Behavioural Risk
- PrEP scale up in NSW
- Community mobilisation and engagement
- NSW HIV notifications data

Our speakers will highlight recent outcomes, lessons learned and areas where we see gaps.

Each presentation will be short – around 8 minutes.

At the end of all the presentations, we will open the session to questions and comments.

Presentations x 6

Introduce panel members

Questions & Discussion

Thank presenters & panel

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