

Supplementary Materials: What works? Prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections and blood borne viruses in migrants from sub-Saharan Africa, North East Asia and South East Asia living in high-income countries: A systematic review

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Table S1. Data Extraction Summary.

Notes: CALD=culturally and linguistically diverse, CHB=chronic hepatitis B, GP = general practitioner, NA= not applicable, NR=not reported, OR=odds ratio, PLHIV=people living with HIV, SSA=sub-Saharan Africa, STI=sexually transmitted infection, TG=target group

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| <p>McMahon et al. (2004) [42] Ethnic media campaign on patterns of HIV testing among people from CALD communities Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inform TGs of availability of free and anonymous HIV testing and benefits of early diagnosis; • Raise awareness in TG about current HIV/AIDS issues; and • Promote access by people living with HIV/AIDS from CALD backgrounds to treatment and care services. <p>Location: Sydney, Australia</p> | <p>Community level Educational methods Strategies/Activities: Printed resources in multiple languages and radio media to inform TG of availability of free HIV testing services and benefit of early diagnosis</p> | <p>Length: 1 month Design/Method: Quasi-experimental; Comparison of number of HIV tests among TG between 1999 and 2000, and pre- and post-campaign periods in 2000 for three sexual health centers. Measures: Number of HIV tests Participants: CALD migrants (undefined) Comparison group: Other patients for HIV test Recruitment: Age: >18 years Ethics approval: NR</p> | <p>Sample: n=1067 (pre, post campaign); n=545 (comparison). Response: 99% (n= 13 dropped out)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased HIV tests pre- (16.3%) to post- campaign (18.8%) though not statistically significant ($p=0.31$) • Increase in proportion of HIV testing (10.5%, $p<0.01$) |
| <p>Worth et al. (2003) [43] The New Zealand HIV/AIDS refugee education program Objective: Change attitudes and beliefs towards PLHIV and misconceptions associated with sexually transmitted infections. Location: Auckland, New Zealand</p> | <p>Community level Educational methods Strategies/Activities: HIV/AIDS health promotion training and support for refugee communities; resource development; service provider training and support; and development of support networks for PLHIV.</p> | <p>Length: NR Design/Method: Process evaluation Measures: NR Participants: Newly arrived male and female HIV positive African refugees. Recruitment: Via community-based organizations. Age: 20–35 years Ethics approval: NR</p> | <p>Sample: n=15; 10 females and 5 males Response: 100%</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased understanding, acceptance and active participation in project. • Increased request for spiritual support and counseling for PLHIV and their family members. |
| <p>Esteban-Vasallo et al. (2014) [44] Targeted rapid HIV testing and consultation in public primary care services in Madrid Objectives: Increase knowledge of HIV serostatus among people who belong to groups disproportionately affected by HIV. Location: Madrid, Spain</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical and education methods Strategies/Activities: Counseling and rapid HIV testing offered from seven primary care services.</p> | <p>Length: 2 years Design/Method: Descriptive cross-sectional. Measures: Number of HIV tests, test results and participant characteristics. Participants: Immigrants, sex workers, heterosexual men and MSM. Recruitment: Outreach work conducted with cultural mediators; mass media advertisement; and posters and brochures distribution. Age: >18 years Ethics approval: NR</p> | <p>Sample: n=1940 all study population; n=687 immigrants Response: 94% (n=114 dropped out)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIV testing services used by large number of MSM and immigrants • Higher proportion of immigrants from SEA tested for first time ($p<0.05$) (OR 16.42, 95% CI 2.08-129.88) • Increased proportion of testing among those with no casual sexual partners (OR 1.49) and with no history of any STIs (OR 1.93). |

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| <p>Bartelsman et al. (2017) [45] HIV testing week: lowering barriers for HIV testing among high-risk groups in Amsterdam</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create awareness by emphasizing the importance of early testing among both professionals and inhabitants of Amsterdam, and • To normalize and increase proactive HIV testing and the detection of new HIV infections. <p>Location: Amsterdam, Netherlands</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical and education methods Strategies/Activities:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anonymous HIV rapid testing offered free of charge at various clinical and non-clinical healthcare locations • Home-based testing was provided through online services | <p>Length: 1 week Design/Method: Quasi-experimental. Measures: Number of HIV tests, HIV positivity, participant characteristics and location of test. Participants: MSM and non-Western migrants Recruitment: Online marketing and advertising; flyers and posters distributed at locations and via outreach; newspaper, radio and television broadcasts; and a website to provide information about testing week and locations of services. Age: >18 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n=1231 Response: NA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 32.7% received HIV test for the first time. 35% had tested more than a year before. • For first- and second-generation non-Western migrants tested for the first time (27.2% and 33.5%, respectively, $p < 0.01$) |
| <p>Stornaiuolo et al. (2014) [46] Active recruitment strategy in disadvantaged immigrant populations improves the identification of HIV but not of hepatitis B or C virus infections</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate the prevalence of HIV, HBV, and HCV; • Explore the factors associated with the infections; and • Compare an active system of recruitment with a passive one. <p>Location: Caserta, Italy</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical and education methods Strategies/Activities: Screening test was offered to all participants attending a mobile health unit and outpatients from health-related services and family counseling.</p> | <p>Length: 10 years Design/Method: Cross sectional, comparison between two phases of the recruitment process. Measures: Number of HIV tests, HIV, HBV and HCV positivity and participant characteristics. Participants: Migrants mostly from SSA and Asia Recruitment:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1999-2004: Active recruitment through mobile unit in addition to outpatients from health-related services and family counseling • 2005-2009: Recruitment via outpatients from the medical center. <p>Age: >18 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n=2681 all study population; n= 2202 SSA; n=115 Asia Response: >90% (n=NR)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High testing acceptance rate (>90%). • No significant difference in prevalence of HBV or HCV. HIV infection significantly associated with active recruitment ($p < 0.05$). • For those from SSA, 8.1% were diagnosed with HBV, 2.5% with HCV and 5.4% with HIV. • For those from Asia, 3.5 % were diagnosed with HCV and 1% with HIV. |

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| <p>Drummond et al. (2011) [47] Using peer education to increase sexual health knowledge Objectives: Create awareness on STIs and BBVs and address misconception about how HIV is transmitted. Location: Perth, Australia</p> | <p>Community level Educational methods Strategies/Activities: 10 peer educators undertook 9 hours of training on sexual health. Peer educators worked in pairs or groups to conduct workshops with 10-15 participants.</p> | <p>Length: NR Design/Method: Quasi experimental, pre-test and post-test evaluation Measures: Knowledge of STIs and HIV transmission and attitude towards condom use. Participants: West African refugees Recruitment: Via peer educators Age >16 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n=58 post-test respondents Response: 100%</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Six of seven knowledge categories increased significantly. • No significant difference in attitudes towards condom use. |
| <p>Roberts et al. (2017) [48] Sharing stories youth theatre program for sexual health promotion Objectives: Increase STI and BBV knowledge and the uptake of harm minimization strategies Setting: Perth, Australia</p> | <p>Community level Educational methods Strategies/Activities: Theatre, filmmaking, art and drama used to empower communities to become peer educators to discuss sexual health education.</p> | <p>Length: 12 weeks Design/Method: Mixed methods, pre-test and post-test evaluation. Measures: Confidence talking about sexual health; in seeking STI testing; knowledge of where to access information and where to go for STI testing; and positive attitudes towards carrying condoms. Participants: Young people from SEA, SSA and Middle East Recruitment: Age: 14 to 21 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n=18 pre and n=15 post Response: 83% (n=3 non-attendance for post evaluation)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Increased confidence talking about sexual health with friends and in seeking testing after unprotected sex. However, confidence talking about sexual health with family members did not increase. • Increased knowledge of STIs, places to assess accurate information about sexual health and to receive sexual health services. • Increase in positive attitudes towards carrying condoms and asking partners to use them. |
| <p>Zencovich et al. (2006) [49] Immigration medical screening and HIV infection for health promotion and infectious disease prevention Objectives: Introduced mandatory HIV testing and counselling in 2001 to mitigate public health risk of HIV and for health protection of the applicant. Location: Canada</p> | <p>Structural level Biomedical and educational methods Strategies/Activities: Mandatory HIV testing of permanent residency applicants.</p> | <p>Length: 2 years Design/Method: Cross-sectional Measures: HIV positivity and participant characteristics. Participants: All applicants for permanent residency. Recruitment: NA Age: >15 years Ethics Approval: NR</p> | <p>Sample: n=634,958 Response: NA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 932 cases diagnosed with HIV (441 women, 491 men). Median age was 34 years. • Of diagnosed cases, 67% were from Africa, 22% America, 7% from Asia and remaining 5% from other countries. • 36% were refugees and 34% refugee claimants. |

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| <p>Van Gemert et al. (2016) [50] Identification of priority populations to increase hepatitis B testing rates, 2012 Objectives: Identify people at increased risk of HBV and increase HBV testing and HBV vaccination in these populations. Location: Melbourne, Australia</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical and education methods Strategies/Activities: Implementation of a system for identification of high-risk populations and a call back system to increase hepatitis B testing and vaccination where appropriate.</p> | <p>Length of time: 4 months Study design: Pre-post intervention Measures: HBV test and uptake of HBV vaccination. Participants: Asian born patients, Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander people and people with a history of injecting drugs who had not tested for HBV or had tested and were HBV susceptible. Recruitment: Mailed letters and/or phone calls from clinics. Age: ≥18 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n=338 Response: n=4 (1%)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 21.6% (n=73) of invited patients had a subsequent consultation with a general practitioner. • Four patients tested for HBV, and one tested positive for CHB. Remaining three patients not vaccinated. |
| <p>Dokkum et al. (2012) [51] Keeping participants on board: Increasing uptake by automated respondent reminders in an internet-based Chlamydia screening Objectives: Assess whether annual systematic, selective screening can reduce population prevalence of <i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> (Ct) and prevent serious complications. Location: The Netherlands</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical Strategies/Activities: Screening procedure consisted of five steps: invitation, request of home testing kits, home sampling, sample return and checking the test result.</p> | <p>Length of time: First round April 2008, second round started from 2009. Design/Method: Intervention Measures: Response rate (% of package requests) and participation rate (% of sample return). Participants: All 16-29 year-olds Recruitment: An invitation letter, a reminder letter, two emails and an SMS. Age: 16 to 29 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: Round 1: n=256,400 Round 2: n=301,600 Response: Round 1: 21% (n=52,628). Round 2: 14% (n=41,729).</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Package requests were 21% and 14% and returned samples 16% and 11.5% in round 1 and 2 respectively. • 41% and 42% of participants requested the package after a reminder letter, significant for round 1 (p=0.0001). 79% and 82% returned the sample. • SSA ethnicity associated with requesting the package after a reminder letter (OR (95%CI): 1.4) |
| <p>Ackerman et al. (2018) [52] Mandatory screening for infectious diseases among newly arrived asylum seekers, Bavaria, Germany, 2015. Objectives: Assess the results of the mandatory screening procedures for HIV infection, hepatitis B and other diseases among asylum seekers. Location: Bavaria, Germany</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical Strategies/Activities: Data were extracted from the mandatory notification and laboratory information system. Demographic data captured via interviews for registration with local health authorities.</p> | <p>Length of time: Not reported Design/Method: Cross-sectional Measures: Serological screening of HIV and HBV Participants: Asylum seekers undertaking HIV screening who originated from high risk countries Recruitment: Age: ≥15 years Ethics approval: NR</p> | <p>Sample: n=95117 Response: NA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.3% tested positive for HIV. 58% were male and 15.8% female. 24.5% were in between the age group of 15-24 years. 71.4% of total cases originated from SSA • 3.3 % of cases indicated HBV. Highest positivity found in asylum seekers from Sierra Leone, Senegal and Mali (17.6%, 16.2%, and 15.4%, respectively). |

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| <p>Li et al. (2018) [53] Effects of HIV stigma reduction interventions in diasporic communities: insight from the CHAMP project Objectives: Assess the effectiveness of two group interventions, Acceptance and Commitment Therapy/Training (ACT) and Social Justice Capacity Building (SJCBC), in reducing HIV stigma and mobilizing champions to address HIV stigma. Location: Toronto, Canada</p> | <p>Community level Educational Strategies/Activities: Random assignment to four half-day training sessions of ACT or ACT and SJCBC.</p> | <p>Length of time: 1 year Design/Method: Pre-post intervention Measures: Enacted and internalized HIV stigma, and HIV champion readiness. Participants: PLHIV and community leaders of diasporic communities. Recruitment: Outreach to community organizations, advertisements in local (ethnic) media, and presentations in the communities. Age: ≥18 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n=63 PLHIV; n=42 community leaders Response: 63% (n=28 PLHIV and n=11 community leaders)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Significantly decreased internalized stigma and stigma against HIV/AIDS. • Speaking out in social situations, feeling knowledgeable, confident to talk, engage others to fight for justice and mobilize networks were significantly increased after the intervention (p<0.01) • Participants reported 1090 championship activities to advocate for HIV related health equity and social justice issues. |
| <p>Fрати et al. (2017) [54] A novel screening strategy for improving women's health in vulnerable populations. Objectives: Evaluate an STI screening and measure prevalence of STIs among undocumented migrant women. Location: Milan, Italy</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical and educational methods Strategies/Activities: Implemented a counseling and preventive strategy for STIs. Collection of urine sample for the analysis of STIs.</p> | <p>Length of time: 18 months Design/Method: Cross sectional Measures: STI test uptake, STI positivity and participant characteristics. Participants: Undocumented migrant women attending a migrant centre Recruitment: Age: ≥18 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n= 757 Response: 71% (n=537)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptability rate for screening among participants was high (70.9%). • 24.2% indicated HPV DNA positive sample. • Of total positive cases, only 43.2% agreed to undergo further investigation. |
| <p>Anderson et al. (2016) [55] Impact of criminalization of in call venues and managers on migrant sex workers access to HIV/STI prevention Objectives: Investigate the health and safety impact of sex work laws that criminalize managers and other third-party actors who work in in-call sex work establishments. Location: Vancouver, Canada</p> | <p>Structural level Strategies/Activities: New legislation that criminalizes sex buyers, the advertisement of sexual services and third-party actors who materially benefit in the context of a commercial enterprise was introduced in December 2014.</p> | <p>Length: Three years Design/Method: Qualitative using key informant in-depth interview Measures: Experiences in the sex industry, interactions with police, city officials, co-workers, managers and owners, and access to condoms, education, training and outreach services. Participants: Asian migrant sex workers, managers and business owners of in call sex work sites. Recruitment: Outreach to in-call venues and online. Age: >18 years Ethics approval: Yes</p> | <p>Sample: n=46 Response: NA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Police and immigration raids on in-call venues and the criminalization of managers severely restrict migrant sex workers' access to condoms, health outreach services, HIV/STI testing and sexual health education. |

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| <p>Uccella et al. (2017) [56] HIV rapid testing in the framework of an STI prevention project</p> <p>Objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Evaluate the acceptability of HIV rapid test and estimate the percentage of newly HIV diagnoses. • Evaluate knowledge, attitudes and perception about HIV and other STIs among migrants in Italy. <p>Location: Rome, Italy</p> | <p>Individual level Biomedical and educational methods</p> <p>Strategies/Activities: Rapid testing for HIV (free) with pre- and post-test counselling provided by trained health professionals.</p> | <p>Length: 12 months</p> <p>Design/Method: Intervention with pre- and post-survey</p> <p>Measures: Acceptability of HIV rapid test; number of new HIV diagnoses and knowledge, attitudes and perception of HIV/AIDS and other STIs.</p> <p>Participants: Attendants at an infectious disease clinic.</p> <p>Recruitment: NR</p> <p>Age: 16 to 70 years</p> <p>Ethics approval: NR</p> | <p>Sample: n=832</p> <p>Response: 99% (n=825)</p> <p>Pre-test survey: 46.8% (n=385)</p> <p>Post-test survey: 15.1% (n=50)</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Acceptability rate of the HIV rapid test high. 68.7% of participants were first time testers (71.4% immigrants). 10 individuals diagnosed with HIV. • 89% of participants were migrants, 19.6% and 13.6% were from Africa and Asia. • Poor knowledge about HIV and STIs were found significantly associated with migrants and participants with low education levels. |
| <p>Veldhuijzen et al. (2012) [57] Identification and treatment of chronic hepatitis B in Chinese migrants.</p> <p>Objective: To measure the impact of screening program for chronic hepatitis B among Chinese migrants.</p> <p>Location: Rotterdam, Netherlands</p> | <p>Community level Educational</p> <p>Strategies/Activities: Disease awareness activities including free HBV testing at outreach locations. Chronic HBV referred to treatment.</p> | <p>Length: 1 year</p> <p>Design/Method: Intervention with pre and post-survey.</p> <p>Measures: Knowledge of HBV and prevalence of chronic HBV.</p> <p>Participants: Chinese community</p> <p>Recruitment: Outreach through community-based organizations.</p> <p>Age: >18 years</p> <p>Ethics approval: NR</p> | <p>Sample: n= 1090</p> <p>Response: NA</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 8.5% diagnosed with chronic HBV infection. • Level of knowledge increased significantly from 36% to 49% post-campaign among participants with low education (p=0.005). |