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XLIX Meeting of the
Advisory Council on AIDS
(ACA)

2:30 pm 7 January 2005

XXXV Meeting of the
Scientific Committee on
AIDS (SCA)

2:30 pm 15 March 2005

XIX Meeting of the AIDS
Prevention and Care
Committee (APCC)

6:30 pm 18 March 2005

XVI Meeting of the
Committee on Promoting
Acceptance of People
Living with HIV/AIDS
(CPA)

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On the eve of World AIDS Day, the 2004 HIV situation in China report was launched in Beijing. The report was the result of a joint effort of the Ministry of Health and the UN Theme Group on HIV/AIDS. The report describes the HIV situation as of 2003/2004, and updates on the response of the country.

It is noted in the report that the situation has differed widely across provinces. Of the total reports of 89,067 cases recorded as of the end of September 2004, IDU accounted for 41.3%, followed by paid blood donors (31.1%), heterosexuals (7.9%) and MSM (0.2%). The HIV prevalence in IDU averaged 5%-8%, with some areas reaching over 20%. The rate in commercial sex workers ranged between 3.3% and 6.7%, depending on locations. Overall, the estimated number of people living with HIV/AIDS was 840,000. There are over 50,000 people living with the infection in 7 provinces.

As for the responses to the epidemic, it is noted that programmes have become better consolidated. In February 2004, a committee was set up under the State Council, which included the participation of 23 ministries.

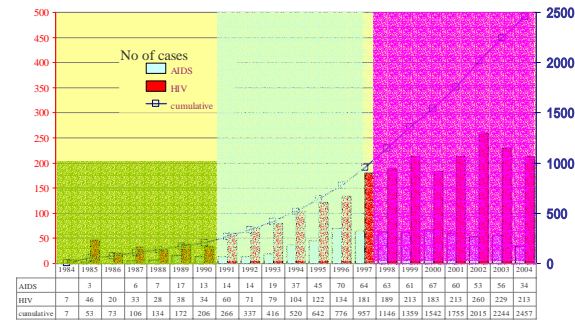
The report can be downloaded from the website of the Chinese CDC National Centre for STD/AIDS Prevention and Control: <http://www.chinaids.org.cn/zhq/index.asp>

Happy New Year ~~~ 2005

A Review of AIDS epidemic in Hong Kong for the last 20 years

Annual HIV/AIDS Statistics

香港每年愛滋病毒及愛滋病統計
1984 – September 2004, Hong Kong (N=2457/703)

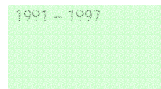


Three Time-periods

三個長度相約的階段



HIV/AIDS as an incurable condition and a new public health crisis 愛滋病作為一個不治之症及新公共衛生危機



HIV/AIDS treatment available but unsatisfactory; extensive community action; wide media attention 愛滋病治療欠理想, 廣泛社區參與, 媒體關注.



Effective HIV treatment generally available to patients in Hong Kong; concern about situation in Mainland 香港病者接受有效治療, 國內情況受關注

In the past ten years 過去十年

- A majority of male HIV patients (>80%) occurred in those aged 25-54 大部份(超過八成)男感染者年齡在二十五至五十四之間
- Male <25 persistently accounted for 5% of newly reported infections 二十五歲以下男士持續佔總數百分之五
- Male ≥ 55 accounted for 16% of reported cases in 2004, compared to 10% in the nineties 二零零四年五十五歲或以上男士佔總數百分之十六, 相對於九零年代的百分之十

Reported routes of transmission of HIV infection 呈報感染愛滋病毒人士之傳染途徑

- Heterosexual : MSM ratio (in men) has changed from 1:3 to 1:0.56 to 1:0.51 男性受感染者異性及同性接觸比例由一比三轉為一比零點五六, 一比零點五一.
- Heterosexual transmission the single most important risk factor for female infection 異性接觸為女性感染的主要途徑.
- Transfusion related infection has almost completely disappeared 因輸血而受感染者幾乎絕跡.
- Perinatal transmission continues to be uncommon, has resulted in a total of 15 infections overall 母嬰傳播並不普遍, 年來一共錄得十五呈報個案.
- HIV uncommon in drug users, but number has risen after year 2000. 吸毒者受感染的不多, 但數目在二零零零年後續有增加.

Future Challenges for Hong Kong 香港的未來挑戰

- New HIV infections would continue to occur 新感染個案將繼續發生
- The risk of HIV outbreaks in drug users cannot be ignored 愛滋病毒在吸毒人群中存在爆發危機
- Number of patients requiring treatment would rise substantially 需接受治療的病者將大幅增加
- There's the need to target hard-to-reach populations, including the risk-taking elderly and youth, and MSM 需針對難接觸的社群, 包括高危長者及年青人和男同性戀者

Summarising HIV/AIDS in Hong Kong

總結愛滋病在香港

September 2004 二零零四年九月

Estimated prevalence 估計感染率	<0.1%
Reported HIV 報告數	200 -300/y
Reported AIDS 報告數	~ 60/y
Cumulative report (HIV) 累積報告數	2457
Estimated no. living with HIV/AIDS 估計現時感染者數目	~3000
Main transmission route	Sexual predominantly Minimal in IDU 主要性傳播, 極少吸毒傳染



10 most inspiring names

Dr Yeoh Eng-kiong, Dr Mike Sinclair, jj, Zi-mu, Dr David Ho, Wong Yiu-ming, Mr A, Miriam Yeung, To Chung and Ho Sik-ying.

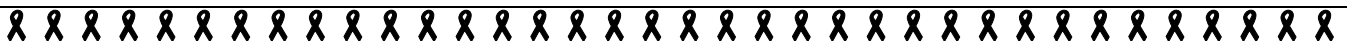


The 0.2- Most Inspiring Persons in Hong Kong AIDS Epidemic Poll organized by the Red Ribbon Centre between September and November to promote public awareness towards AIDS and giving support to AIDS patients has come to a close. Selection criteria included how inspiring the people were and how well their stories could raise awareness and promote acceptance in society.

The poll was divided into two phases - the nomination phase and the polling phase. A vetting panel selected 10 most inspiring people from about 70 nominations submitted by individuals and organizations during the nomination phase.

The 10 selected are **Dr Yeoh Eng-kiong, Dr Mike Sinclair, jj, Zi-mu, Dr David Ho, Wong Yiu-ming, Mr A, Miriam Yeung, To Chung and Ho Sik-ying.** Dr David Ho, Zi-mu and Miriam Yeung got the highest number of votes during the polling phase involving more than 700 people.

A presentation ceremony cum exhibition of over 100 posters and hundreds of news articles on AIDS was held at the Central Library on 1 December 2004 in support of World AIDS Day.



Farewell to Dr Michael CHAN

Dr CHAN Kam-tim, Michael, secretary of the Scientific Committee on AIDS, has resigned from the civil service since 1 January 2005. As a specialist in Dermatology, Dr Chan will go private practice. The editorial board wishes him every success in his new venture. Dr **WONG** Ka-hing, a staff member of the Special Preventive Programme, will succeed him as the secretary.



Staff Members of the Special Preventive Programme bidding farewell to Dr Michael CHAN.



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