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Report Back Seminar



The 9th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific (ICAAP) was held in Bali, Indonesia from 9-13 August 2009. The theme of the 9th ICAAP was "Empowering People, Strengthening Networks".

The Hong Kong Participants comprising members from government departments, academic institutions and non-governmental organizations attended the Congress. The Red

Ribbon Centre ran a booth at this ICAAP to share with participants from all over the Region on the local HIV MSM response. Hosted by the Hong Kong Advisory Council on AIDS (ACA) and organized by the Red Ribbon Centre, a report back seminar was held on 17 September 2009 at the Auditorium of the Argyle Street Jockey Club School Dental Clinic. The purpose of the seminar was to let the conference attendees share with the audience the experiences and insights they learned from the conference. A total of 77 participants including staff from Special Preventive Programme (SPP), members from ACA, AIDS Trust Fund, Red Ribbon Centre Management and Advisory Committee, staff from local non-governmental organizations on AIDS, government officials from Shenzhen and Macao and researchers attended the seminar.

To kick off the seminar, Professor CHEN Char-nei, the Chairman of ACA gave a welcoming speech to the attendees followed by the presentation given by WONG Ka-hing, Consultant of SPP on HIV policy and strategy. The following speakers took turns to give their presentations

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Speakers

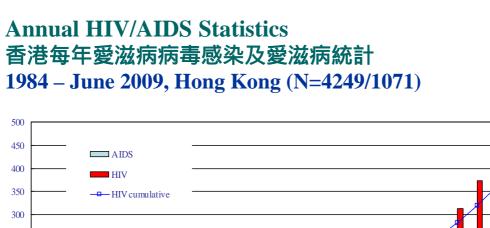
Speakers	Topic				
(i) Mr. Barry LEE	Men who have sex with men				
(ii) Mr. Jason LAU & Ms. Moroco LI	Injecting drug users				
(iii) Ms. Elijah FUNG	Migrating population				
(iv) Mr. LI Chun-wai	Sharing his footprint and insight in Bali				
(v) Dr Francis WONG	Pleasure Project				
(vi) Dr Alvarez Bognar Fernando Rodrigo	Treatment and care				

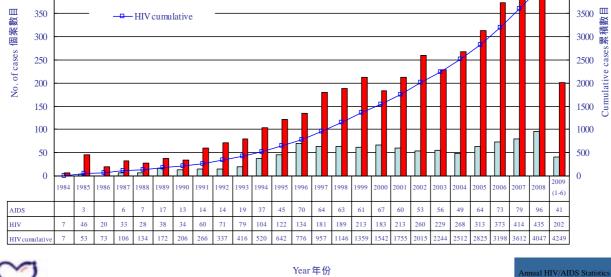
Dr CHEN Zhi-wei concluded the seminar with his presentation on research/surveillance.

The seminar facilitated the cross-fertilization of ideas and was a great success.



Reported HIV/AIDS Quarterly Statistics - 2nd Quarter, 2009										
		This Qua	arter	Last Quarter		Same Quarter Last Year		Cumulative		
		<u>HIV</u>	<u>AIDS</u>	<u>HIV</u>	<u>AIDS</u>	<u>HIV</u>	<u>AIDS</u>	<u>HIV</u>	<u>AIDS</u>	
Sex	Male	80	21	80	14	98	12	3427	916	
	Female	18	3	24	3	23	3	822	155	
Ethnicity/race	Chinese	58	18	62	10	73	13	2828	831	
	Non Chinese	40	6	42	7	48	2	1421	240	
	Asian	17	3	20	6	24	1	742	155	
	White	7	2	7	1	6	0	310	72	
	Black	1	1	3	0	4	1	63	12	
	Others	15	0	12	0	14	0	306	1	
Age at diagnosis	Adult	97	23	102	17	121	15	4205	1060	
	Child (age 13 or less)	1	1	2	0	0	0	44	11	
Exposure cate- gory	Heterosexual	20	7	30	7	41	11	1931	663	
	Homosexual	34	12	42	6	38	3	1058	217	
	Bisexual	1	1	2	1	1	0	169	42	
	Injecting drug use	5	0	5	1	10	0	270	44	
	Blood/blood product infusion	1	0	0	0	2	0	79	24	
	Perinatal	1	1	2	0	0	0	23	7	
	Undetermined	36	3	23	2	29	1	719	74	
Private hospitals/cl laboratories Public hospitals/cli laboratories Hong Kong Red Ci	AIDS Unit	12	2	8	1	11	0	507	69	
	Social Hygiene Clinics	7	1	17	0	19	2	601	45	
	Private hospitals/clinics/ laboratories	24	2	20	3	31	3	940	161	
	Public hospitals/clinics/ laboratories	43	19	41	12	51	10	1875	780	
	Hong Kong Red Cross Blood Transfusion Service	1	0	3	0	2	0	93	9	
	AIDS service organisations	10	0	14	1	6	0	163	6	
	Drug rehabilitation services	1	0	1	0	1	0	70	1	
Total		98	24	104	17	121	15	4249	1071	





ACA Meeting

The 68th ACA meeting will be held on 9 Oct 2009 (Friday) at 2:30 pm at the DH Conference Room, 21/F Wu Chung House, Wan Chai.

Three main items on the Agenda:

- Estimated Risk of Transfusion Transmitted Infections
- HIV Seroprevalence and Behavioural Risks in Men who have Sex with Men –
 the Second PRiSM Survey
- Report on the 9th International Congress on AIDS in Asia and the Pacific 2009

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