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- 45th CFA Meeting
18 December 2017
- 101st ACA Meeting
12 January 2018

HIV/AIDS Statistics in Hong Kong - Updated 30 September 2017

		2017 Q3		Cumulative (since 1984)	
		HIV	AIDS	HIV	AIDS
Sex	Male	129	12	7,288	1,525
	Female	24	0	1,664	304
Ethnicity	Chinese	108	9	6,159	1,405
	Non-Chinese	22	3	2,561	424
	Unknown	23	0	232	0
Route of Transmission	Sexual Contacts	113	10	6,993	1,600
	- Heterosexual	24	2	3,041	985
	- Homosexual	75	6	3,515	518
	- Bisexual	14	2	437	97
	Injecting drug use	0	0	354	65
	Blood/blood products recipients	0	0	85	25
	Perinatal	1	0	33	10
Undetermined	39	2	1,487	129	
Total		153	12	8,952	1,829



Schema of operation for the Hong Kong Advisory Council on AIDS (2017-2020)

The operation of ACA in its new term (August 2017 – July 2020) were discussed during the 100th ACA Meeting held on 20 October 2017, and agreed as follows -

- (a) The terms of reference (TOR), objectives, overall strategies, operation, and role of the ACA secretariat remained unchanged;
- (b) The new ACA Chairperson had been appointed for a period of three years with effect from 1 August 2017 while a total of eight new ACA Members had been appointed for a period of two years from the same effective date; and
- (c) The two-tier system of ACA and the Community Forum on AIDS (CFA) would continue. The TOR of CFA (2017-2020) remained unchanged. Mr Daniel CHU, who is the incumbent ACA and CFA member, would succeed Professor Samuel YU to become the CFA Convener for the coming three years.

ACA members were invited to join CFA as Member, or attend individual CFA Meeting / particular agenda item of interest on a voluntary basis.

Familiarization visits to NGOs and government units working on HIV/AIDS would be arranged in the coming months.



A Summary of the 100th ACA Meeting held on 20 October 2017

Current HIV situation and AIDS programme in Hong Kong

DH presented the current situation of HIV epidemic and various AIDS programmes in Hong Kong. As of June 2017, a cumulative total of 8,799 HIV infections were reported to the Department of Health (DH), of which 1,817 patients were known to have progressed to the stage of AIDS. The number of AIDS cases has remained stable.

Transmission through homosexual contact between men (men who have sex with men, MSM) rose in the last decade from 170 in 2010 to 441 in 2016, whereas heterosexual transmission remained less than 150 cases per year.

The government set up the Hong Kong Advisory Council on AIDS in 1990 to advise the government on HIV/AIDS policy. The Council for the AIDS Trust Fund was established in 1993 to provide financial assistance to HIV-infected haemophiliac and support HIV prevention programmes.

DH and the Hospital Authority are responsible for providing HIV treatment services. DH also provides free and anonymous counseling and HIV testing service, surveillance service and health promotion. Public Health Laboratory Services Branch and Methadone Clinics of DH also provide relevant support.

Report on 2017 National Conference on HIV/AIDS held at Guangzhou

The 2017 National Conference on HIV/AIDS, organised by the Chinese Association of STD and AIDS Prevention and Control (中國性病愛滋病防治協會), was held at Guangzhou from 25 to 28 September 2017. A doctor from the DH attended the conference and delivered a report back presentation at ACA meeting.

The Conference was attended by some 2,000 people. Representatives from the National Health and Family Planning Commission, Chinese CDC and UNAIDS were present. The conference covered a wide range of topics, from basic HIV science and clinical treatment to substance use and other social issues. Much focus was put onto the control of HIV in the context of 13th five-year action plan (“十三五”行動計劃). The HIV situation in Guangdong and Guangxi provinces, and the new development of HIV self-testing programme in China and pre-exposure prophylaxis programme in Taiwan were also discussed. Hong Kong presented a poster on “HIV treatment cascade of 2015” at the conference.

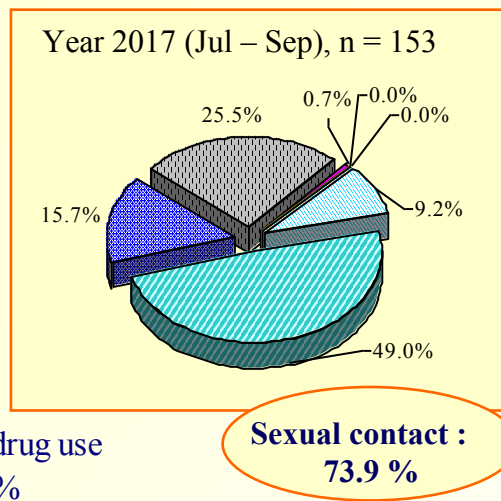
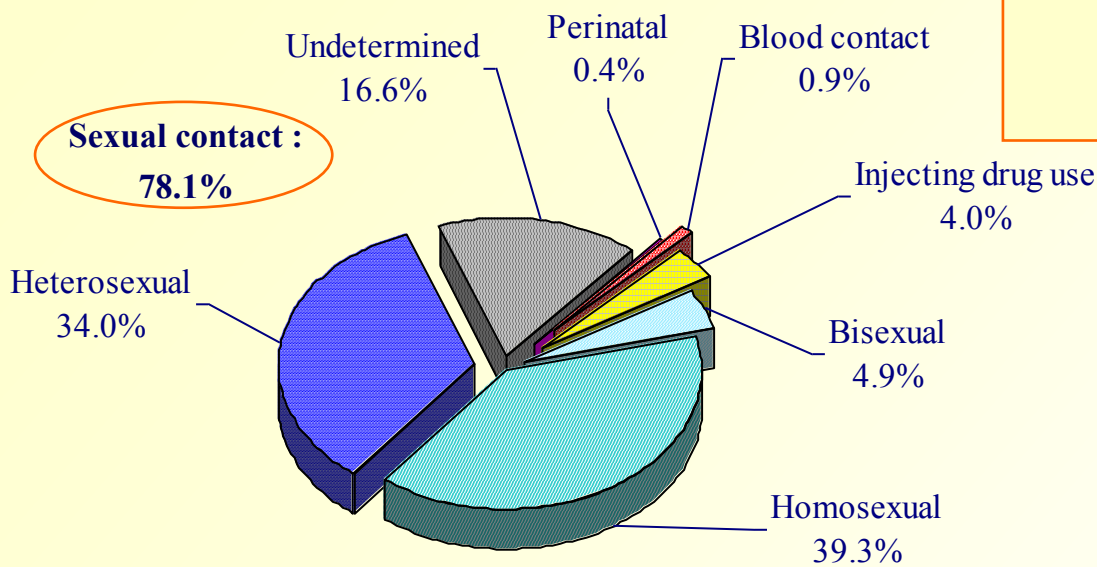
A Summary of the 39th SCAS Meeting

The Chairperson referred members to the summary of the 39th Meeting of SCAS held on 5 September 2017. DH briefed members on the major discussions.

HIV/AIDS Statistics

Routes of transmission of HIV infection

1984 - September 2017 (N=8952)



Note : The percentage may not add up to 100% due to rounding.

Annual HIV/AIDS Statistics

1984 - September 2017, Hong Kong (N=8952/1829)

