



Editorial Board

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**47th CFA Meeting
8 June 2018**

A Summary of the 46th CFA Meeting held on 8 March 2018

Preliminary result of PRiSM 2017 - Men who have sex with men (MSM) / male-to-female transgender (TGW)

DH presented and highlighted the preliminary result of PRiSM 2017. A total of 4,133 MSM and 104 TGW respondents participated in the survey. The overall HIV prevalence for sexually active MSM and active TGW was estimated to be 6.54% and 5.11% respectively. Major findings of the survey including demographics, HIV status, social networking, sexual behaviour, drug/substance use, exposure to HIV prevention messages, HIV testing behaviour, self-reported history of sexually transmitted illnesses, use of HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) among MSM and TGW were presented. Members noted the preliminary results of the study. Publicity of relevant health messages arising from the survey would be discussed further.

More about the 46th CFA Meeting

Update on HIV situation (2017)

DH updated members on the HIV situation of 2017. There were a total of 681 HIV cases and 91 AIDS cases reported to DH in 2017. Cumulatively, DH received 9,091 HIV reports and 1,857 AIDS cases as of 2017. The number of HIV reports decreased slightly by about 1.6% this year as compared with 2016.

Results of internal audit on HIV voluntary counselling and testing services (VCT) in community settings 2016

DH presented the results of internal audit on HIV voluntary counselling and testing services (VCT) in community settings 2016. This audit is based on a checklist devised by DH, to be used by individual NGO as part of its quality assurance activities. Members noted the results and were reminded to take note of several issues at organization level, such as proper storage of the test kits, internal/external training to staff providing VCT services and proper record keeping of the testing results.

HARiS 2018 and ethnic minority survey

Members noted that forthcoming HARiS 2018 would include MSM, TGW and injecting drug user (IDU). DH would further liaise with each involving NGO to estimate the target sample size of the survey. Ethnic minority survey would be performed as a pilot study later this year tentatively, any suggestion on the methodology was welcomed.

Training Workshop on Basic Knowledge of HIV/AIDS & STIs for NGO Staff

Two sessions of training workshop were held on 12 and 26 April 2018 and were attended by 53 NGO staff. The first session covered basic knowledge of HIV / sexually transmitted diseases and introduced DH HIV clinic / social hygiene clinic services, while the second focused on selected populations including MSM, female sex workers, chemsex users, transgender and ethnic minorities.



Arrangement for attending CFA as observers

The following arrangement was agreed during the CFA Meeting held in March 2012 -

- a. Upon the Convener's invitation/agreement, people who were interested to take part as observer might attend the whole or certain sessions of the meeting and speak up in the meeting at the Convener's discretion;
- b. The CFA Secretariat would announce the agenda on the ACA's website (in the ACA Newsfile) prior to each CFA Meeting. Interested parties could put up their requests to the CFA Secretariat for consideration;
- c. In case of over subscription, the CFA Secretariat would work out the list of participants by adopting a fair procedure deemed appropriate;
- d. Despite of this new administrative arrangement, the meeting would continue to be conducted in Cantonese only; and
- e. At the same time, the CFA Secretariat could invite relevant stakeholders to attend the meeting if deemed appropriate.

47th CFA Meeting

Date : 8 June 2018 (Friday)

Time : 2:30 pm

Venue : Conference Room, Red Ribbon Centre
2/F, Wang Tau Hom Jockey Club Clinic
200 Junction Road East, Kowloon

Three main items on the Agenda

- ◆ Experience sharing: HIV self-test promotion by AIDS Concern
- ◆ PRiSM 2017 - publicity plan targeting men who have sex with men
- ◆ HIV treatment cascade 2016

Invitation

Dear All,

If you are interested to take part as observer in the 47th CFA Meeting to be held on 8 June 2018, please complete the application form (available for download from http://www.aca.gov.hk/cfa_observers_form.pdf) and send the completed form to the CFA Secretariat by **24 May 2018**. For more details of this arrangement, please refer to the summary shown on the left of this page.

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