Measuring stigma and discrimination in Europe

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Global targets for ‘ending the AIDS epidemic’ by 2030

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Europe will not meet the 2030 targets unless we address the following gaps:

- **Prevention gap**
  - Needle & syringes
  - Opioid substitution therapy
  - PrEP

- **Testing gap**
  - 1 in 5 PLHIV in Europe are unaware of their HIV status
  - Low testing coverage
  - 1 in 2 people are diagnosed late

- **Treatment gap**
  - 1 in 2 PLHIV in Europe are NOT on ART

- **Stigma gap**
  - Major gaps in our understanding of stigma, both among HCW and in the community
How could we proceed to better monitor HIV stigma & discrimination?

- Stigma among healthcare workers (EACS)
- Stigma in the community (EATG, AAE, CSF)
ECDC reached out to EACS, EATG & AAE

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- Brainstorm on:
  - process
  - what to ask
  - resources
  - timelines
Stigma & discrimination indicators in UNAIDS GAM

4.1 Discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV
Percentage of women and men 15–49 years old who report discriminatory attitudes towards people living with HIV

4.2 Avoidance of health care among key populations because of stigma and discrimination (A–D)
Avoidance of health care among key populations because of stigma and discrimination

4.4 Experience of HIV-related discrimination in health-care settings
Percentage of people living with HIV who report experiences of HIV-related discrimination in health-care settings

Policy questions
Review and reform laws that reinforce stigma and discrimination, including on age of consent, HIV non-disclosure, exposure and transmission, travel restrictions and mandatory testing
Welcome to the 2021 Dublin Declaration Questionnaire

Please follow the links below to complete each section of the questionnaire – this year, it has been split into indicators for ease of completion. Please read the General Instructions section first, as this outlines how you should complete the questionnaire.

For each section, you will be prompted to enter the unique access code provided to you by email. Please ensure that you use all upper case letters (example: ABCDEFG).

General Instructions

Country Information

Strategic Information

6. Laws and Policies
7. Stigma and Discrimination

Prevention

11. PrEP

Testing

13. Testing Policy & Provision
14. Testing Volume & Positivity
15. HIV Testing Coverage among Key Populations

Continuum of care

18. All people living with HIV
19. Men who have sex with men
20. People who inject drugs
21. Migrants
22. Sex workers
23. Prisoners

COVID-19

24. COVID-19 Impact [this link will be available soon]

If you have any queries or would like to send feedback regarding this online tool, please email teymur.noon@ecdc.europa.eu.
Principles

- Let’s not make perfect be the enemy of good
  - 5-10 questions
  - Either to people living with HIV, communities at risk for HIV, NGOs

- Manageable
  - Driven by the community – dedicated resources from members of CSF

- Meaningful to advance our understanding of stigma and discrimination

- Replicable (e.g. 2021, 2025, 2030)
  - Aim is to show any progress over the 10 years that are left before 2030
Discussion