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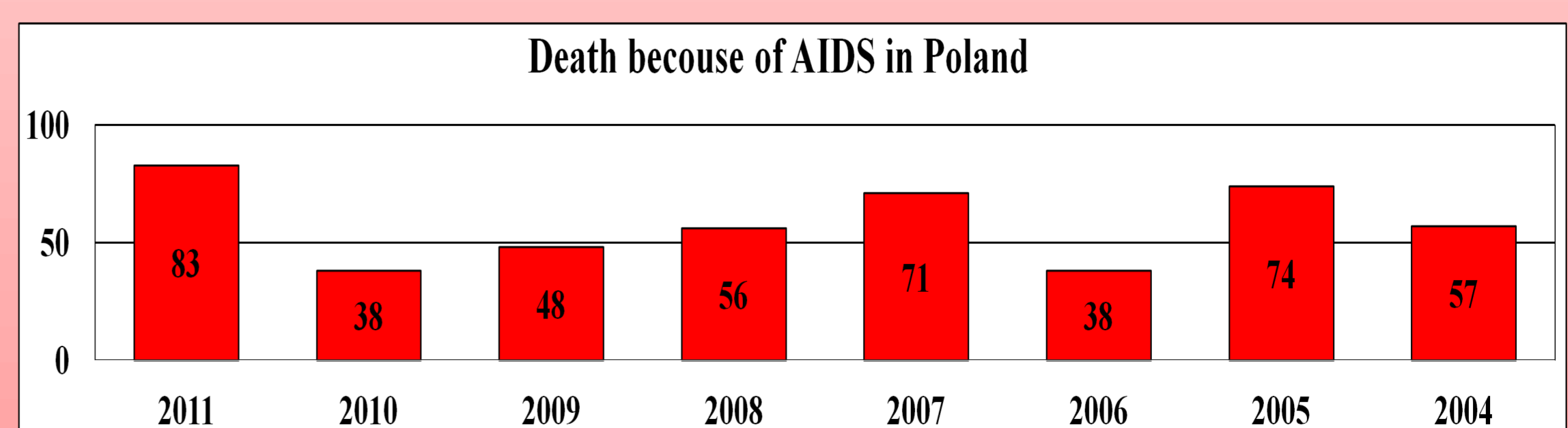
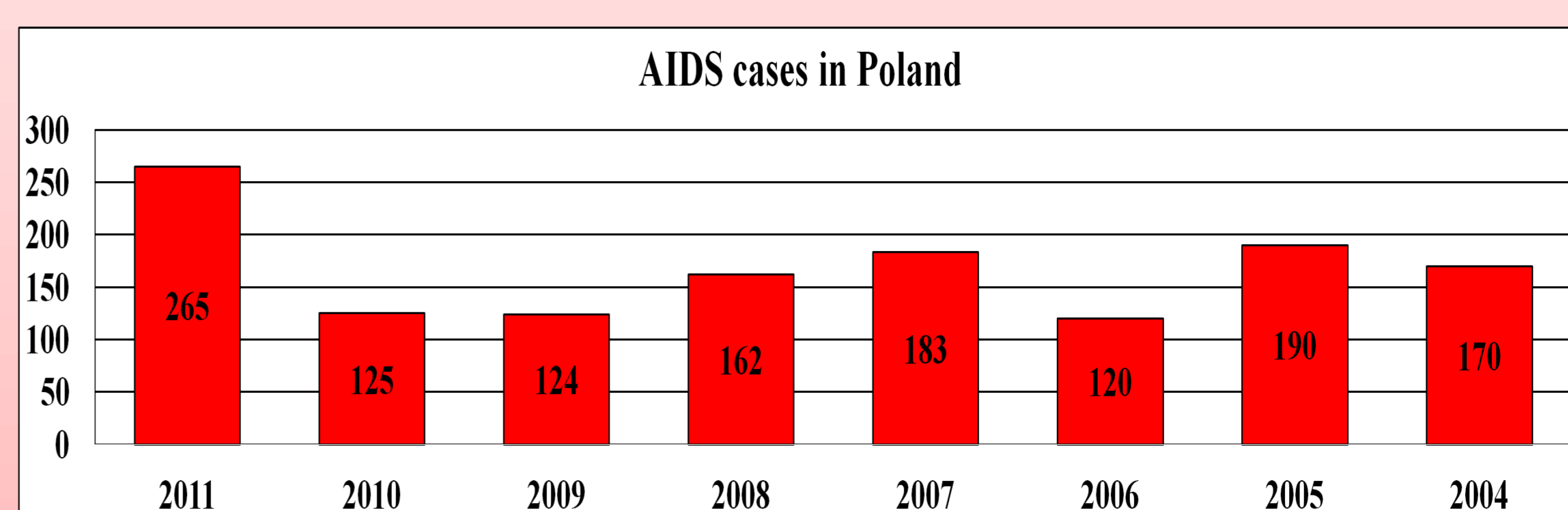
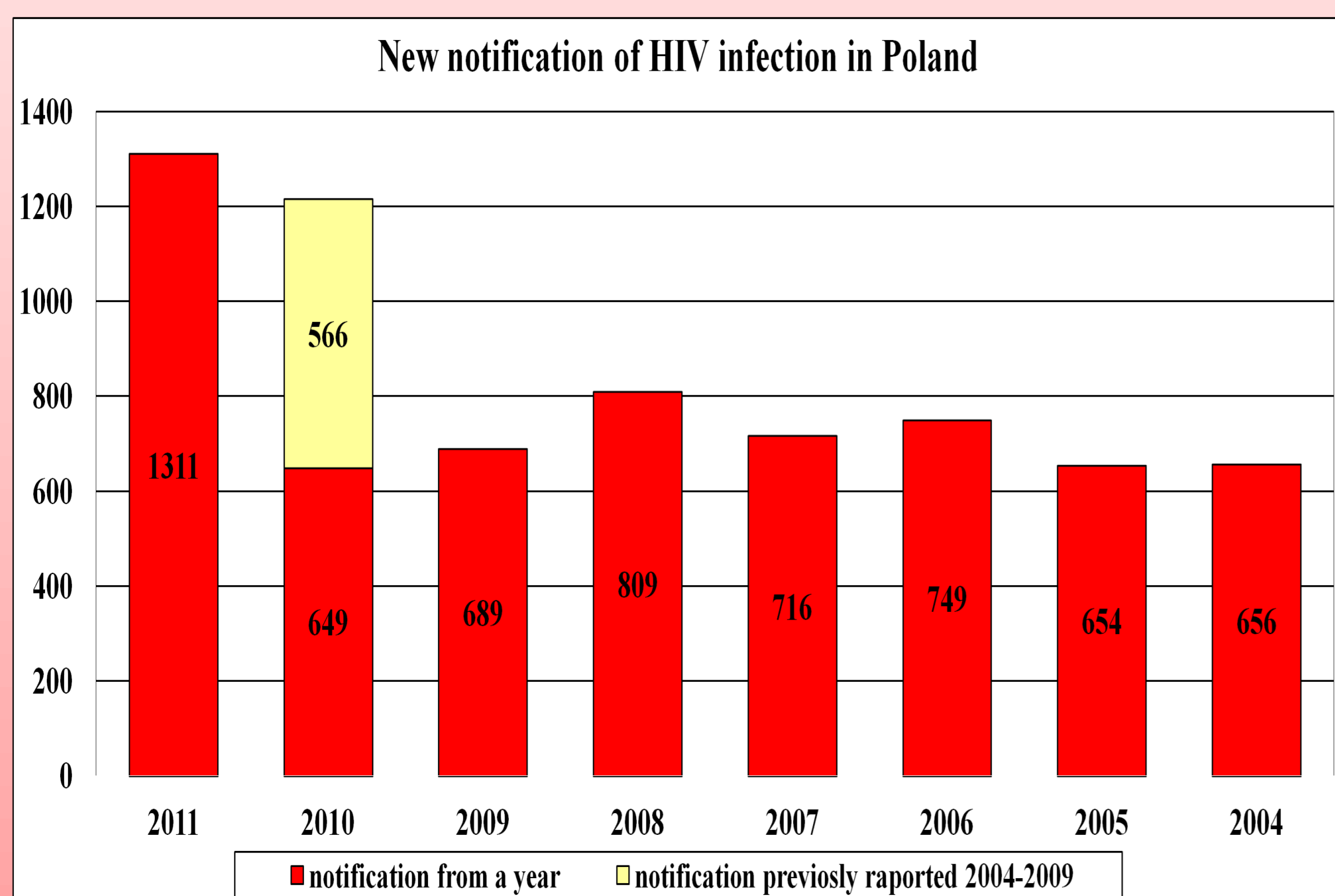
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# Increasing HIV positive results in MSM group. Experience from VCT in Warsaw coordinated by Foundation of Social Education

### EPIDEMIOLOGICAL SITUATION:

- The first case of an HIV infection was recorded in Poland in 1985.
- From 1985 until January 2002:
  - **15 264** new HIV infections were recorded. However, the number of HIV infections estimated by experts is 20 000 – 30 000.
  - More than 5 887 (<50%) infections were related to intravenous psychoactive substance use.
  - AIDS cases 2 707
  - Deaths due to AIDS 1136
- At the end 2011, 5 606 patients were receiving ARV therapy . All who need it <sup>1</sup>



### Objectives:

The aim of this study was to verify newly detected infections in VCT centers coordinated by the Foundation of Social Education.

What was the detection of HIV infection in 2011?

Who and how they infected?

Did they do before the test?

### Methods:

Studies based on comparative analysis of VCT clients 2011 with previous years. It will be used for the analysis of the National Institutes of Health National Institute of Hygiene to compare the situation in Warsaw with the epidemiological situation in Poland in 2011 compared to previous years

### Results:

•In 2011, the VCT in Warsaw was detected **68** new HIV infections in 4704 performed the tests. 53 infections involved MSM.

•Only **7** of them it was the first test in life.

•For comparison, in 2010 on the 3922 tests **37** were positive, of which 23 are MSM, for most was another test in life.

•Epidemiological reports show a huge increase in reported HIV cases in 2011.

2010

- 3922 HIV tests
- 37 positive results
- 23 MSM

2011

- 4685 HIV tests
- 68 positive results
- 53 MSM
- Only for 7 a first test

### Conclusion:

•Studies show a twofold increase detection of HIV infection at a similar number of tests performed.

•Worried about a significant increase in infections detected among MSM who regularly performs HIV tests.

•Also concerned almost twofold increase in reported HIV cases in 2011, which is the highest since the beginning of HIV in Poland.