

Check Your Status

A MSM Outreach Prevention, Counseling and Testing Project by Aids Hilfe Vienna





Project goal

- To decrease the number of MSM unaware of their HIV status.
- To offer outreach VCT exclusively to MSM in addition to the regular VCT services at the Aids Hilfe Vienna house which is opened to everybody.
- To include the advantages of VCT in the safer sex prevention message and promote VCT with prevention activities.

Target groups

Young MSM <25 years (44 tested), MSM with migration background (4 tested); MSM with higher risk behavior (46 tested); MSM not present in the gay scene (42 tested); MSM who haven't been tested before (35 tested)

Methods

VCT

- Promotion: over flyer, peers, internet, gay magazines
- Duration: 14.06.2011 29.02.2012
- Outreach VCT Test Locations: gay fetish club, gay sauna, CSD/Vienna Pride
- HIV laboratory testing, HIV rapid testing, Syphilis testing, and Hepatitis testing were offered cost-free and anonymous
- VCT Team: two counselors, one doctor and one administrator
- A questionnaire was given to every client to fill out after the VCT.

Survey

- Main questions were:
- Identification as a member of one of the above mentioned subgroups
- Source of information of the outreach project
- Satisfaction with counseling & testing service
- Risk behavior

Outcome

Total Number: Vienna Pride 14.06.-17.06.11 and 17.10.-20.11.11 at Kaiserbründl (gay sauna) and 13.07.-29.02.12 at HardON (gay fetish club)



