



HIV and HCV Testing and Diagnosis Indicators

Indicator 12: Number of HIV tests administered by CBOs		
Description	The number of HIV tests administered by CBOs. This excludes HIV testing hosted by CBOs and conducted by public health nurses. In other words, external groups or organizations (e.g. BCCDC) have not been involved in the direct provision of testing.	
Significance	 Community-based approaches have demonstrated to increase uptake of HIV testing and have successfully reached first-time testers and those early in the course of infection (Suthar, et al., 2013). HIV screening may lead to increased case-finding, reduced number of individuals unaware of their HIV status and reduced stigma (BCCfE & BCCDC, 2015). 	
Data source	CBO administrative data (e.g. test tracking sheets)	
Possible disaggregation	 Types of HIV tests administered (e.g. Point of Care, traditional blood draw, etc.) Tests administered by people with lived experience vs. social service providers, etc. 	
Limitations	CBO test tracking issues	

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Indicator 13: Number of HIV tests hosted by CBOs		
Description	The number of HIV tests hosted, but not directly administered, by CBOs. This refers to testing that is offered by external groups (e.g. BCCDC) that would come into organizations to provide testing.	
Significance	 Community testing can increase uptake and successfully reach first-time testers and those newly infected (Suthar, 2013). HIV screening may lead to increased case-finding, increased awareness of HIV status, and reduced stigma (BCCfE & BCCDC, 2015). 	
Data source	 Point of Care HIV testing volumes from STOP HIV/AIDS partner agencies CBO administrative data (e.g. test tracking sheets) 	
Possible disaggregation	 Types of HIV tests administered (e.g. Point of Care, traditional blood draw, etc.) Tests administered by people with lived experience vs. social service providers, etc. 	
Limitations	Potential for double-counting of HIV testing being conducted in BC	

Indicator 14: Number of new HIV diagnoses identified		
Description	Number of individuals identified with a new positive HIV test from testing administered or hosted by CBOs.	
Significance	New diagnoses may be influenced by expanded screening efforts and decreased in incidence due to expanded ART (BCCfE & BCCDC, 2015).	
Data source	Provincial HIV/AIDS surveillance database at BCCDC	
Possible disaggregation	 New positive identified by testing administered vs. hosted by CBOs New positives by health authority, gender, age, exposure category 	
Limitations	Diagnosis with HIV can occur at varying lengths of time after infection. Therefore this is not a measure of incidence (BCCfE & BCCDC, 2015).	















Indicator 15: Number of HCV tests administered by CBOs		
Description	 The number of HCV tests administered by CBOs. This excludes HCV testing hosted by CBOs and conducted by public health nurses. In other words, external groups or organizations (e.g. BCCDC) have not been involved in the direct provision of testing. 	
Significance	 People living with HCV are often asymptomatic, leading to delayed treatment (CDC, 2015). Undiagnosed and untreated HCV can lead to chronic infections involving serious liver problems. 	
Data source	CBO administrative data (e.g. test tracking sheets)	
Possible disaggregation	 Types of HCV tests administered (e.g. blood draw, NAT, HCV-PCR) Tests administered by people with lived experience vs. social service providers 	
Limitations	CBO test tracking issues	

Indicator 16: Number of HCV tests hosted by CBOs		
Description	 The number of HIV tests hosted, but not directly administered, by CBOs. This refers to testing that is offered by external groups (e.g. BCCDC) that would come into organizations to provide testing. 	
Significance	 People living with HCV are often asymptomatic, leading to delayed treatment (CDC, 2015). Undiagnosed and untreated HCV can lead to chronic infections involving serious liver problems. 	
Data source	CBO administrative data (e.g. test tracking sheets)	
Possible disaggregation	 Types of HCV tests administered (e.g. blood draw, NAT, HCV-PCR) Tests administered by people with lived experience vs. social service providers 	
Limitations	Potential for double-counting of HCV testing being conducted in BC	















Indicator 17: Number of people with lived experienced trained to provide HIV and HCV testing by CBOs		
Description	The total number of people with lived experience trained to provide HIV and HCV testing by CBOs.	
Significance	 Peer testing events offer people the opportunity to seek low-barriers health care provided by people who understand them culturally (PHS Community Service Society, 2013). 	
Data source	CBO administrative data	
Possible disaggregation	HIV- vs. HCV-positive trainees	
Limitations	Training offered by health authority vs. CBOs	

Indicator 18: Number of people reached by HIV testing educational information provided by CBOs	
Description	Total estimated number of people reached by HIV testing educational information provided by CBOs.
Significance	 Social marketing interventions and mass media campaigns have show to be effective in programming HIV testing (Vidanapathirana, et al., 2006; Wei, et al., 2013).
Data source	CBO administrative data
Possible disaggregation	 Target populations for HIV testing information Medium through which educational information is provided (e.g. mass media campaign, informational brochures, workshops, etc.)
Limitations	Challenges related to tracking reach of educational information















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