# The Global HIV Epidemic Among MSM and Key Populations: Time to Act

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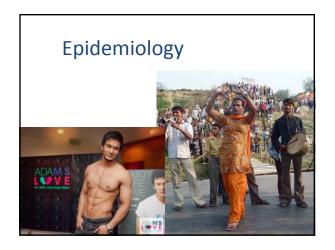


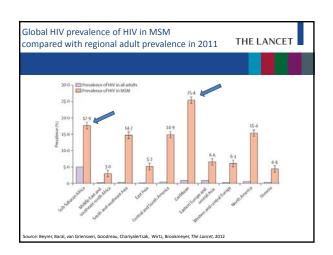


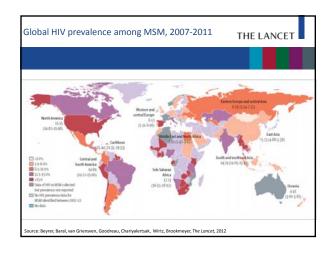


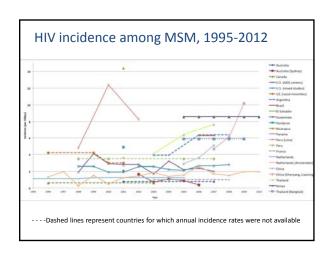
Key Messages—What makes Key Populations Key?

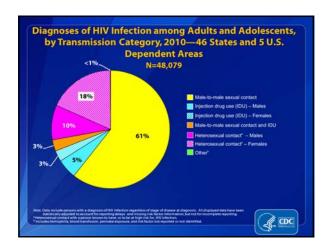
- Key populations have high burdens of HIV and low access to HIV services
- Gay, bisexual, other MSM, people who inject drugs, sex workers, transgender women
- Expanding HIV testing, treatment and care in safety and dignity for KP is an urgent priority for those persons and their communities

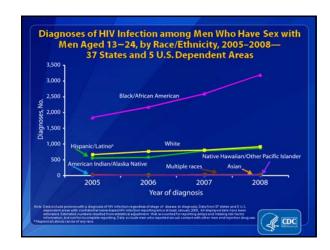


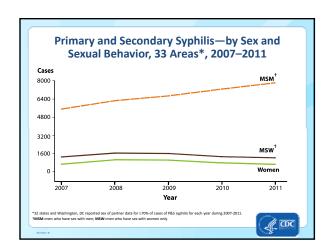


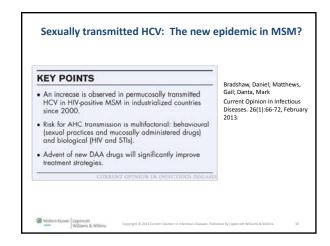


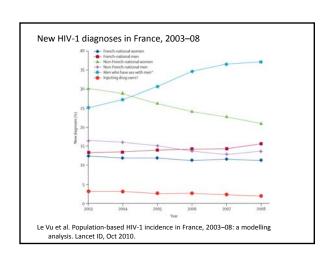


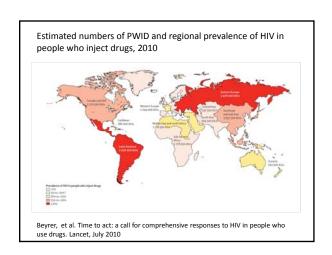


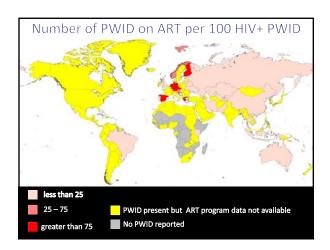


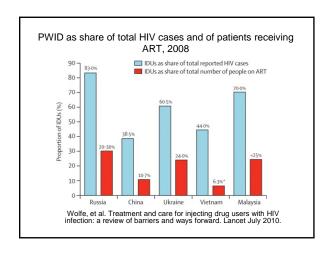




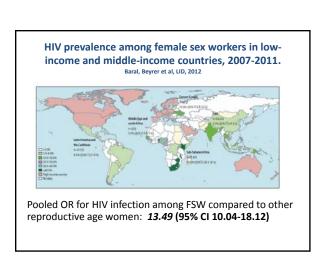


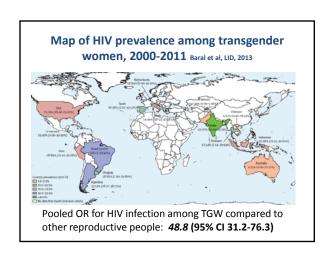




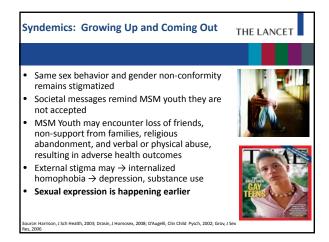










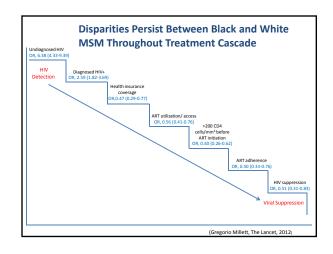


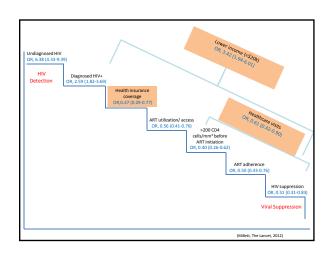
# Voices from Iringa, Tanzania, 2012

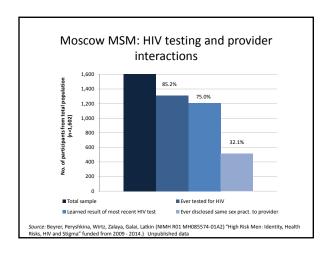
- If it is known [that you have sex with men], you can be scorned. . . 'Oh! you! Why do you do this stuff? Hey, you, a grown man who is penetrated?!' Instead of getting the things you need, you have to just leave
  - 27-year-old, 1 steady & multiple casual male partners
- If you go to health services like this, even the nurses, if they know, if the
  doctor knows you are of a certain type, he won't give you the
  treatment [medicine] that you deserve
  - 27-year-old, 1 steady & multiple casual male partners
- Let's say you have an infected anus or disease, HIV, gonorrhea... It's a bit of stigma, [they ask] 'How did you get this, why?' So you tell them 'I like men.' Even doctors are kind of drawing the line where gay people or female sex workers are concerned. They find it disgusting, you see.
  - 39-year-old, 1 male partner

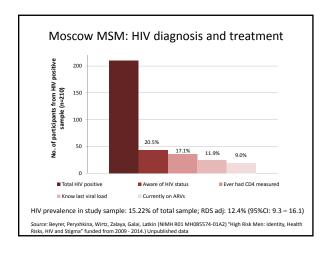
Variable	Fear of Seeking Health Care	Denied Health Care Services	Blackmailed
	OR (95% CI)	OR (95% CI)	OR (95% CI)
	P=	P≡	P=
Diagnosed with an STI	2.4 (1.4-4.3)	6.9 (3.0-15.6) < 001	1.5 (0.8-2.7)
reated for an STI	2.8 (1.7-4.9)	7.3 (3.3-16.2)	1.5 (0.8-2.6)
Received recommendation for an HIV test	<.001 1.9 (1.2-3.0) <.05	<.001 2.2 (0.98-4.8)	1.8 (1.1-2.8) <.05
ever tested for HIV	1.1 (0.7-1.7)	1.6 (0.7-3.7)	1.0 (0.7-1.6)
self-Reported Diagnosis of HIV or AIDS	2.6 (1.1-6.5) <.05	3.3 (0.9-12.1)	<b>2.7 (1.1-6.6)</b> <.05
self-Reported Treatment for HIV	3.7 (1.6-8.6) <.05	46.1 (17.3-122.8) <.001	5.4 (2.2-13.2) <.001
HIV positive	1.7 (0.9-3.2)	1.2 (0.4-3.6)	0.9 (0.5-1.6)
Any interaction with health care	2.6 (1.6-3.9)	6.4 (2.5-16.1)	2.1 (1.4-3.2)

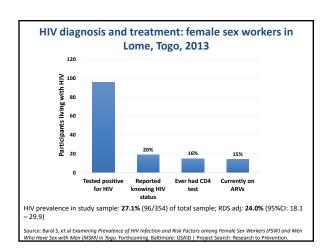












Treatment with Antiretroviral Therapy is Not Associated with Increased Sexual Risk Behaviour in Kenyan Female Sex Workers [McClelland RS, AIDS. 2010 March 27; 24(6): 891–897.]

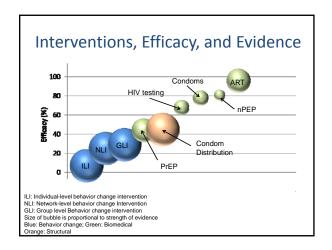
- Prospective cohort, FSW in Mombasa, Kenya, 1993-2008: 898 women contributed HIV-1-seropositive follow-up visits, 129 initiated ART.
- Compared to non-ART-exposed, ART initiation not associated with an increase in unprotected sex (AOR 0.86, 95% CI 0.62-1.19, P=0.4).
- Non-significant decrease in abstinence (AOR 0.81, 95% CI 0.65-1.01, P=0.07); offset by an increase in 100% condom use (AOR 1.54, 95% CI 1.07-2.20, P=0.02).
- Numbers of sex partners and frequency of sex were similar before versus after starting ART.

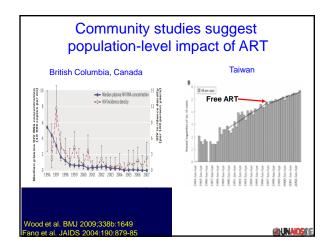
# Possible PMTCT needs of sex workers living with HIV in Togo Out of 96 sex workers living with HIV... | No children | Not currently trying to get pregnant | | Currently trying to get pregnant |

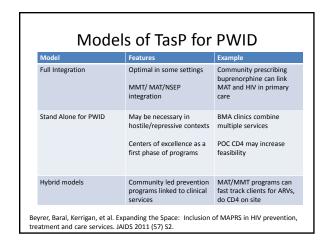
# Sex Worker discrimination in Health Care Settings

- 'We are despised in the hospitals. They [providers] say, "We don't have time for prostitutes."
- '...they also say that if one prostitute dies then the number reduces.' (Belinda, 27-yearold female, Kampala)
  - Scorgie F, et al, 2013









### **Bottom Lines**

- KPs need tailored prevention services, and treatment, from which they are too often excluded
- Women who sell sex and are living with HIV need PMTCT
- We need to study the continuum of care for these people, identify barriers, and intervene to make real headway

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"Clinical development of HAART relied on the contributions of thousands of MSM who participated in clinical trials that provided the initial proof of concept and subsequent refinement of HAART as life-saving treatment for HIV/AIDS. . . The significance of the contributions of these men is profound."

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