

WA HIV PrEP Roadshow

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Issues and Outcomes

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Regional demographics: summary

- Total participants: 116
 - GPs, specialist physicians, other doctors: 34
 - Nurses: 57
 - Community health-workers: 25

Regional demographics

Course date/Location	Number of participants	Participant demographics	Learning needs met?
Geraldton 17/09/18	25	GP/Dr:11 Nurse 7 Other: 7	14 responses Entirely met: 7 (50%)
Karratha 18/09/18	15	GP/Dr: 4 Nurse: 9 Other: 2	9 responses Entirely met: 7 (78%)
Bunbury 19/09/18	27	GP/Dr: 4 Nurse: 16 Other: 7	8 responses Entirely met; 8 (100%)
Kalgoorlie 20/09/18	23	Specialist: 1 GP/Doctor: 3 Nurse: 14 Other: 5	13 responses Entirely met: 12 (92%)
Broome 21/09/18	26	GP/Dr: 11 Nurse: 11 Other: 4	17 responses Entirely met: 15 (88%)

Awareness of ASHM PrEP Guidelines

	Pre-course	Post-course
YES	40% (n=32)	95% (n=73)
NO	60% (n = 48)	5% (n=4)
TOTAL	n=80	n=77

Comfort in dealing with aspects of PrEP

- Eligibility for PrEP
 - (very) difficult; pre: 20% (n=15) , post: 5% (n=4)
 - (very) easy; pre: 38% (n=28) , post: 57% (n=44)
- Behavioural risk factors for HIV
 - (very) difficult; pre: 11% (n=8), post: 8% (n=6)
 - (very) easy; pre: 51% (n=38), post 70% (n=53)
- Sexual practices while on PrEP
 - (very) difficult; pre: 17% (n=12), post: 9% (n=7)
 - (very) easy; pre: 47% (n=34), post: 68% (n=52)

Comfort in dealing with aspects of PrEP

- Effectiveness and appropriate use of PrEP
 - (very) difficult; pre: 19% (n=14) , post: 6% (n=5)
 - (very) easy; pre: 44% (n=32) , post: 69% (n=53)
- Importance of regular STI checks
 - (very) difficult; pre: 4% (n=3) , post: 2.5% (n=2)
 - (very) easy; pre: 72.5% (n=53) , post: 90% (n=69)
- Different ways of using PrEP
 - (very) difficult; pre: 20% (n=15) , post: 12% (n=9)
 - (very) easy; pre: 35% (n=26) , post: 52% (n=41)

Overview of responses

Degree of difficulty	Pre-meeting	Post-meeting
Very difficult	5.0%	1.5%
Difficult	10.1%	6.5%
Neutral	36.8%	25.3%
Easy	38.1%	48.9%
Very easy	9.8%	18.6%

Summary of responses

Please rate your confidence that client outcomes in HIV will be improved as a result of attending this training:

Not confident:	0.0%
Neutral:	22.1%
Confident:	62.3%
Very confident:	15.6%

Local issues identified

1. Lack of local expertise
2. Turn-around time for pathology (up to 7-10 days for HIV testing)
3. Absence of ongoing educational opportunities: “Nobody comes here for that”
4. Stigma in regional centres regarding STIs, and specifically HIV
5. Cross-cultural issues in taking a sexual-health history