

Call for HIV and hepatitis testing good practices examples

The European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC) is seeking to collect good practices for HBV, HCV and HIV testing services within the EU/EEA Member States. As part of the process of developing the first European HBV, HCV and HIV testing guidance, it is envisioned to support published evidence with best practice examples as case studies. In the review of the published evidence, a number of promising case studies have been identified that showcase innovative or successful scale-up of testing for HIV and/or hepatitis. However, there is still a lack of published case studies in some European regions, in certain testing service settings and/or services that target specific subpopulations.

Through the template attached, **we urge submission of published and/or unpublished good practice examples.** Examples of good practices should highlight progress towards increased scale-up or more effective HIV and/or hepatitis testing.

The practice examples will be presented and assessed by a panel comprising of experts in the fields of HIV and hepatitis in February 2018. Final decision making in the selection of case studies to be included in the updated testing guidance will be finalised during 2018.

Please submit the description of your good practice example to hie.rigshospitalet@regionh.dk - through the attached template.

Deadline for case study submission is 15 December 2017.

Submitted practice examples should preferably focus on the following European regions*, testing settings and/or subpopulations:

European Region	Testing service setting	Targeted Subpopulation
Eastern Europe Bulgaria, Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland, Romania, Slovakia	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Healthcare setting: outpatient, primary care/general practitioner, STI/sexual health clinic, emergency department, pharmacies Community setting Home testing/sampling Outreach Other settings 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Migrants People who inject drugs (PWID) MSM Youth Partner contacts General population Prisoners Sex workers Healthcare workers
Southern Europe Croatia, Republic of Cyprus, Greece, Italy, Malta, Portugal, Slovenia, Spain	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Healthcare setting: Emergency department 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Migrants Youth Partner contacts Prisoners Sex workers Healthcare workers
Northern Europe Denmark, Estonia, Finland,		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Migrants

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Iceland, Ireland, Latvia, Lithuania, Norway, Sweden, UK		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Youth• Partner contacts• Sex workers
Western Europe Austria, Belgium, France, Germany, Luxembourg, Netherlands		<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Migrants• Youth• Partner contacts• Prisoners

*Countries based on the UN geoscheme for Europe

The submitted practice examples will be assessed on the following set and pre-defined criteria.

Evaluation criteria:

- The service model is clearly described
- The service model has undergone internal and/or external evaluation (has quality assurance)
- The service model has been running for at least 6 months
- HIV testing monitoring indicators are provided
- Linkage to care pathway is in place
- Economic appraisal has been conducted and data provided

Case Study Template

Good practice example on HIV and/or hepatitis testing scale-up	
Main person of contact of project (name and email)	
Name of organisation	
City, Country or European region where the intervention took place	
Testing service setting (e.g. Healthcare setting: outpatient, primary care/general practitioner, STI/sexual health clinic, emergency department, pharmacy; Community setting; Home testing/sampling)	In which setting was the intervention taking place?
Targeted subpopulation (e.g. PWID, Migrants, MSM, Youth, Partner contacts, General population, Prisoners, Sex workers, Healthcare workers)	Which population group was targeted?
Main aim of project/service	What was the main aim of the intervention?
Denominator (e.g. total number of patients offered testing, total number of people who accessed services, etc)	
Test Uptake (i.e. how many that were offered a test accepted the offer)	
Positivity rate (i.e. of the tested how many positive were found)	
Other tests (E.g. did you also offer tests for sexually transmitted infections, TB)	
Linkage to care (e.g. If a person had a reactive test, were they referred to confirmatory testing or HIV care?)	
Monitoring (e.g. Was there any quality assessments conducted?)	
Conclusions (e.g. main outcomes of the service)	

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or project)	
Other comments or additional information	

