Fairer Health for All 2024-5 **Opportunistic HIV testing in primary care**

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My project - opportunistic HIV testing

If you are on HIV treatment and your viral load is undetectable, you cannot pass it on

- **U=U** undetectable = untransmittable
- Test, test, test!
- Demography of my practice and their testing rate at SHS
- Project opt-out, HIV quiz for staff, changing attitudes towards HIV, aligning with THT times up 2030 campaign
- Results measurable (4 to 15%) and non-measurable



Together we can end new cases of HIV in the UK by 2030 We urgently need TOGETHER HIGGINS your help. Donate now.



needle_sharing disease deadly die_of_flu kaposi's_sarcoma Sfear life-limiting sex needlestick vertical_transmission ppe palliative immunosuppressed no_cure gloves drug-users immunocompromised end-stage SCary viral_load sti risky_behaviour asymptomatic VITUS medications rare side-effects grid pneumonia gay_men tb infection cancer pregnancy

undetectable common everyone testing can't pass it on normal_life_expectancy screening opt-out blood_test regular_testing awareness healthy lifespan

condoms asymptomatic untransmissable eradicate_transmission test treatable test_everyone antiretrovirals virus

Wider learning

- Non-measurable results matter!
- Thinking outside the clinic room
- Adapting to your practice population
- Identifying issues beyond patient contacts
- Having time to think creatively



Future goals

- Roll out teaching to other practices
- HIV update course?
- Wider access project
- Smears
- Vaccine uptake
- Contraception clinics



We urgently need your help to find and test everyone living with HIV in the UK.



Thank you!

