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## Hong Kong AIDS Foundation secures funds for FOUR programmes

In response to the review of HIV/AIDS in fourth quarter of 2020 recently published (2 March 2021) by the Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health (DH) and the funds granted from the Council for the AIDS Trust Fund of the Government of the Hong Kong Special Administrative Region (the “**Council for the ATF**”) to Hong Kong AIDS Foundation (the “**Foundation**” or “**HKAF**”), the Foundation is pleased to announce that HKAF will continue to strengthen the services and stand firm with local communities to turn the tide of HIV and discrimination against those living with HIV / AIDS in the days ahead.

### *Funds granted from the Council for the ATF for FOUR programmes*



The Foundation hereby expresses gratitude to the Council for the ATF for granting funds for FOUR programmes of the Foundation, including (1) Men who have Sex with Men, (2) High-Risk Groups, (3) Ethnic Minorities and (4) Support Services.

HKAF will adhere to our objectives and enhance our services to the communities with the huge support from the Council for the ATF.

### *HIV statistics in Hong Kong for the period ended 31 December 2020*

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of the Department of Health (DH) has recently released the latest figures on the HIV/AIDS situation in Hong Kong from October to December as of 2020. A total of 110 additional cases of HIV infection were reported from October to December (4th quarter of 2020). This figure represents a slight decrease of 15 cases compared to the previous quarter (3rd quarter of 2020: 125 additional cases). In total, the cumulative number of HIV infections has reached 10,785 cases.

According to the CHP reports, of the 110 new cases, 93 were males while 17 were females. On the transmission front, 53 cases acquired the infection via homosexual or bisexual contact, 27 via heterosexual contact, 1 via drug injection and 29 cases have yet to be determined due to incomplete information upon notification. In other words, sexual contact remains the major route of transmission regardless of their sexuality.

Despite there is a decreasing trend of new cases reported in the past 2 quarters, HKAF wishes to emphasize the importance of regular HIV testing. Hong Kong AIDS Foundation offers free, confidential and anonymous Voluntary Counselling and Testing services (VCT services). General public are welcome to make appointment for VCT services by phone at 2513 0513 (AIDS Helpline) / 9093 0335 (WhatsApp) or by LINE (hivtesting).



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## About the Hong Kong AIDS Foundation

The Hong Kong AIDS Foundation was established in 1991 and is a non-governmental social service organisation. The Foundation's mission is to limit the spread of HIV infection in the community. Throughout the years, the Foundation has been actively engaged in the promotion of AIDS education, the provision of services, and the nurturing of a harmonious and caring environment for those infected with or affected by HIV/AIDS.

For more details about our work, please visit our website at <http://www.aids.org.hk> / Facebook (@hongkongaidfoundationofficial) / Instagram (@hkaidfoundation) / YouTube (Hong Kong AIDS Foundation).

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