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Hong Kong AIDS Foundation launches Special Prevention Programme with the Department of Health

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 April to June as of 2022. A total of **125 additional cases** of HIV infection were reported from April to June (2nd quarter of 2022). This figure represents **an increase of 40 cases** compared to the previous quarter (1st quarter of 2022: 85 additional cases). In total, the cumulative number of HIV infections has reached 11,442 cases.

According to the CHP reports, of the 125 new cases, 103 were males while 22 were females. On the transmission front, 64 cases acquired the infection via homosexual or bisexual contact, 27 via heterosexual contact, 1 via blood or blood product transfusion outside Hong Kong and 33 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.

In view of the reverse upward trend in the 2nd quarter of 2022, Hong Kong AIDS Foundation (the "Foundation" or "HKAF") appeals to the public to use condoms consistently and properly in reducing the risk of acquiring HIV.

Special Prevention Programme with DH

Hong Kong AIDS Foundation launched a special prevention programme with DH since July 2022 (the "SPP 2022") in order to enhance the public awareness on HIV and other sexually-transmitted diseases.

The Foundation has implemented the SPP 2022 by further reinforcing our Mobile Testing services and outreach services in Yau Tsim Mong and Sham Shui Po districts; dispatching complimentary self-test kits and condoms to the specific target group (i.e. the male clients of the female sex workers (the "FSWs")).

HKAF wishes to remind the general public, especially people with a history of unsafe sex to conduct free, anonymous and confidential HIV antibody test regularly; and if infected those HIV-positive people should seek specialist care and HIV treatment as soon as possible.









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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.

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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