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Programme summary

Wednesday 29 February 2012

09:30	Pre-conference registration	Bristol foyer
10:30–12:30	Pre-conference satellite sessions A IIP, CQC, Information Standard: What quality these standards B Best practice in community engagement C Responding to migrant African MSM in the UK	Madrid Suite Oslo Suite Berlin Suite
12:00	Conference registration	Bristol foyer
12:30–13:30	Lunch	Bristol foyer
13:30–14:30	Welcome and opening plenary	Bristol Suite
14:30–15:45	Session 1 <i>Choose one of these six options</i> A The use of home HIV testing kits B Promoting better access to sexual health services and information for transgendered people C Effective service integration D Re-imagining risk and informing trust E Participatory research F The Sigma Panel	Bristol Suite Madrid Suite Berlin Suite Conservatory Oslo Suite Rome Suite
15:45–16:15	Break <i>(including refreshments)</i>	Bristol foyer
16:15–17:30	Session 2 <i>Choose one of these six options</i> A Targeted working B Working with African and Asian MSM C Bad romance. Can sexual health promotion ever deliver what men <i>really</i> want? <i>(repeated session 6)</i> D Individually tailored behavioural interventions for MSM E Treatment as prevention, a review of the current evidence base F Promoting regular testing amongst MSM <i>(repeated session 5)</i>	Rome Suite Madrid Suite Berlin Suite Conservatory Oslo Suite Bristol Suite
17:30	Day one closing plenary How will treatment as prevention influence HIV prevention over the next decade?	Bristol Suite



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Thursday 1 March 2012

09:30	Registration	Bristol foyer
10:00–11:15	Session 3 <i>Choose one of these six options</i> A Sexual health behaviours of Scottish MSM B Using social media and video in sexual health campaign work C Employing motivational interviewing D Mental health of MSM E Primary HIV infection F Positive prevention <i>(repeated session 5)</i>	Madrid Suite Rome Suite Oslo Suite Conservatory Bristol Suite Berlin Suite
11:15–11:45	Break <i>(including refreshments)</i> DVD: Youth Chances	Bristol foyer Rome Suite
11:45–13:00	Session 4 <i>Choose one of these six options</i> A What makes campaigns engaging? B Creating safe school environments for LGBT youth C GU at Leicester pride D How useful are support groups in terms of prevention work with MSM? E No more silos F Needs assessment of the sector	Bristol Suite Conservatory Rome Suite Oslo Suite Berlin Suite Madrid Suite
13:00–14:00	Lunch DVD: Prisoner Cell Block HIV DVD: Kushbai Youth Group	Bristol foyer Rome Suite Berlin Suite
14:00–14:30	Final plenary	Bristol Suite
14:30–15:45	Session 5 <i>Choose one of these six options</i> A Promoting regular testing amongst MSM <i>(repeated session 2)</i> B Psychosexual dysfunction in MSM associated with treatment C Sexual health provision for MSM in smaller towns and rural communities D GPs surgery project E Positive prevention <i>(repeated session 3)</i> F Outreach and the community	Bristol Suite Oslo Suite Rome Suite Conservatory Madrid Suite Berlin Suite
15:45–16:00	Break <i>(including refreshments)</i> DVD: Protect Yourself	Bristol foyer Rome Suite
16:00–17:15	Session 6 <i>Choose one of these five options</i> A Increasing uptake of HIV testing B Text Therapy C Bad romance. Can sexual health promotion ever deliver what men <i>really</i> want? <i>(repeated session 2)</i> D Mystery shoppers	Rome Suite Oslo Suite Conservatory Berlin Suite
17:15	Thank yous and goodbyes	Bristol Suite

For a brief synopsis of the sessions please see full programme on page 6.
Workshops are sessions that place an emphasis on delegate participation in both large and small groups.

Programme in full

Wednesday 29 February 2012

10:30 Pre-conference satellite sessions

IIP, CQC, Information Standard: What quality these standards

Location: Madrid Suite

Speakers: Ellen Hill, Operations Manager, Yorkshire MESMAC
Sian Payne, Director of Organisational Development, The Lesbian and Gay Foundation

This workshop will be facilitated by staff members from two LGBT health organisations who have experience in achieving quality marks. They will facilitate discussions around the processes of achieving standards. There will be a focus on the Information Standard and CQC registration and consideration will be given to what these standards mean for our organisations. Participants will share good practice around how we can satisfy commissioners and funders requests to demonstrate the quality of our work both with and without the aid of quality marks.

Best practice in community engagement

Location: Oslo Suite

Speaker: Mark Tyson, Community Development Worker, Yorkshire MESMAC

How do we get our target audience to engage with our services? Is it all about the advertising? What incentives have worked for you and how did you fund them? What approaches have you used to engage with your community during outreach sessions and at Gay Pride events? Have community development principles and national strategic documents informed and supported your efforts to engage with the community? Has the introduction of motivational interviewing techniques provided you with new opportunities to engage with your communities? In these challenging economic times which of your successes were the most resource efficient? This workshop is all about bringing your experiences and sharing what worked and what didn't for the benefit of all.

Responding to migrant African MSM in the UK

Location: Berlin Suite

Speakers: Godwyns Onwuchekwa, Chair, Justice for Gay Africans, London
Adebisi Alimi, Coordinator, Migrant African MSM, Europe

Based on data available and considering that majority of African MSM do not identify as gay/bisexual, it is essential to explore other ways in which we can target interventions to reduce the spiralling rate of HIV amongst this group. We hope to raise awareness on the sensitivity that is necessary in dealing with this group. By exploring experiences, this workshop will provide a platform for understanding and improving how this cohort is targeted. Also, the need to involving members of the said cohort in developing outreach that target their community and working with the wider African community for this.

Wednesday 29 February 2012

13:30-14:30 Opening plenary

Location: Bristol Suite

Welcome: Lord Mayor of Bristol, Councillor Geoff Gollop

Keynote: Ford Hickson

Relying on testing, condoms and pills has not brought the HIV epidemic under control. Why are we so afeared of addressing partner numbers, anal intercourse and ejaculate? Does celebrating gay sexuality mean celebrating promiscuity and open relationships? Is anal intercourse compulsory if we want to be gay? Ford Hickson will address some of the chunky questions facing us if we are to move towards better sex with less harm among gay and bisexual men.

14:30-15:45 Session 1

The use of home HIV testing kits

Location: Bristol Suite

Speakers: Gary Barker, Senior Health Advisor, St Helens & Knowsley Teaching Hospitals
Garry Brough, Membership & Involvement Officer, Terrence Higgins Trust
David Freeman-Powell, Greater Manchester Chlamydia Screening Co-ordinator, RUClear
Andrew Evans, Director of Health and Community Services, The Metro Centre

Format: Panel Debate

Chair: Colin Armstead, Service and Development Manager, George House Trust

Terrence Higgins Trust and NAT are campaigning to license the use of HIV home testing Kits. Currently the sale of home testing kits is illegal and therefore leads to unlicensed and unreliable test being used. However some argue that rather than patients testing in their own home, without support HIV tests should still be illegal in the UK and rather than trying to license kits, we should concentrate on cracking down on the use of illegal tests. This session will present both sides of the debate and allow participants to discuss all possible options.

Promoting better access to sexual health services and information for transgendered people

Location: Madrid Suite

Speakers: Bryn Musson, Volunteer, Terrence Higgins Trust
Michelle Ross, Trans Awareness Facilitator, Terrence Higgins Trust

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: Lee Brooker, Outreach Worker (Male Sex Workers), Terrence Higgins Trust

Bryn and Michelle will present the background and development of THT's guides on trans health providing participants with an opportunity to review them and provide feedback. They will also be encouraging participants to consider how they might engage sexual health work with trans people and how the resources might be used in this context.

Effective service integration

Location: Berlin Suite

Speakers: Sona Barbosa, GMI Counselling Team leader, The Metro Centre
Tony Furlong, GMI Mentoring Supervisor, The Metro Centre

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: Ellen Hill, Operations Manager, Yorkshire MESMAC

The presentation will provide insight into an effective working relationship between the counselling and mentoring strands of the GMI Partnership's (Gay Men's Interactions) three strand service in London (counselling, mentoring and health training). The successful collaboration and co-working between the two services provides a good example of how services can be integrated within third sector organisations and partnerships. More specifically, the presentation will identify four aspects of the relationship between mentoring and counselling that allow for successful service provision, namely integrated client referral procedures both internal and with external organisations, interrelated databases, interlinked course modules and inter-stream flow of clients.

Re-imagining risk and informing trust

Location: Conservatory
Speakers: **Ingrid Young**, Researcher, Social and Public Health Sciences Unit, Medical Research Council
Joel Minion, Research Associate, University of Leicester, Department of Health Sciences
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Adam Bourne**, Research Fellow, Sigma Research

Ingrid will explore how perceptions and experiences of community have changed over the past 30 years in relation to HIV, and how perceptions and experiences of community and community sexual practice play a role in contemporary risk management strategies. Ingrid will explore the importance of community and perceived community norms in sexual practice, considering issues of identity, age, geography and HIV status which emerged from in-depth interviews. Joel will then consider the health information needs of HIV negative gay men in longer term seroconcordant relationships. The few existing campaigns aimed at this group have emphasised the early need for testing and open discussions about sexual practices (past and future), but little if any guidance is provided on addressing on going risk, particularly as regards relationship difficulties or breakdown.

Participatory research

Location: Oslo Suite
Speakers: **Phil Langer**, Assistant Professor of Sociology and Social Psychology, Goethe University Frankfurt, Faculty of Social Sciences
Eleanor Brown, Head of Options UK, Options Consultancy Services Ltd
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Marcy Madzikanda**, Health Promotion Specialist for African Communities, Terrence Higgins Trust

In recent years participation has become quite popular in research that addresses experiences and needs of vulnerable and stigmatised groups. Especially in HIV research its power has widely been demonstrated with regard to pragmatic issues of field access and dissemination of findings, methodological and ethical ones of a communicative validation of data, sensitive and de-stigmatising research practices, and individual as well as community empowerment. This session would like to address some of the questions and challenges still confronting participatory research. It will aim to discuss innovative research strategies that may strengthen participatory approaches in the field of HIV/AIDS and therefore contribute to the development of critical, power-sensitive and emancipatory research.

The Sigma panel

Location: Rome Suite
Speakers: **Catherine Dodds**, **Ford Hickson**, **David Reid** and **Peter Weatherburn**, all from Sigma Research at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine
Format: Themed conference session

Throughout 2011 approximately 1,500 gay and bisexual men completed a survey every month. The survey content covered formative evaluation for interventions promoting the 10 precautionary choices in Making It Count 4, and impact evaluation of HIV prevention interventions launched in 2011. In addition, 60 HIV negative panel members were interviewed in depth about their sexual life in the round, focussing on how the 10 choices are negotiated in real lives. In this session the team from Sigma Research will present several short papers for discussion on the information gained from these monthly surveys.

15.45 – 16.15 Break including refreshments

16:15-17:30 Session 2

Targeted working

Location: Rome Suite
Speakers: **Gregory King**, Lead Nurse Practitioner, Working Men Project: St Mary's Hospital
Ross Boseley, Health Promotion Coordinator Community Engagement, Terrence Higgins Trust
Donal Heath, Project Manager, GMFA
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Jason Warriner**, Clinical Director, Terrence Higgins Trust

Gregory will talk about a service offering screening for male sex workers. He will acknowledge the barriers to engaging with this hard-to-reach group. Describing the different ways the service uses outreach with male sex workers and outline the viable testing used on outreach for HIV/STIs screening. Ross will talk about THT South's POCT with MSMs in Brighton's saunas and will look at issues to consider when setting up a rapid HIV POCT in a commercial sex on premises MSM venue. Donal will then give an update on GMFA's pilot service which helps diagnosed patients carry out Partner Notification and informing their recent sexual partners about their diagnosis by dating site message, text message and email.

Working with African and Asian MSM

Location: Madrid Suite
Speakers: **Terrence Liboma**, Community Development Worker, Yorkshire MESMAC
Sal Khalifa, Co-Director, TRADE Sexual Health
Peter Boyle, Sexual Health Co-ordinator, The Lesbian and Gay Foundation
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Godwyns Onwuchekwa**, Chair, Justice for Gay Africans, London

Terrence will look at how the Altogether Stronger project gathered information on the challenges associated with engaging and meeting the sexual health and HIV needs of African MSM, as well as ways of addressing the barriers to service access. Terrence will look at the methods used and the preliminary results, and then move on to introduce the toolkit aimed at addressing the barriers and challenges highlighted during the projects and share good practice ideas for working with African MSM. Sal and Peter will then give an update on the Rainbow Asian Project a joint piece of work between LGF and Trade focused upon engaging with a traditionally 'hard to reach' group, Asian Men who identify as gay or MSM.

Bad romance. Can sexual health promotion ever deliver what men really want? (repeated session 6)

Location: Berlin Suite
Speakers: **Adam Bourne**, Research Fellow, Sigma Research
Paul Steinberg, Senior Health Promotion Specialist MSM, Guy's & St Thomas's NHS Foundation Trust
Gary Hammond, Administrator, Sigma Research
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Paul Dobb**, Health Promotion Specialist for Gay Men's Health, Terrence Higgins Trust

A holistic approach to gay and bisexual men's sexual health and wellbeing is essential if we are to facilitate men having the 'best sex with the least harm', but there are many inherent structural and pragmatic issues which require careful consideration in achieving this. Using data from the 2010 EMIS survey, this session will begin by exploring what constitutes the best sex life for gay and bisexual men. Adam and Gary will explain how 13,000 men responded to the question: 'What is your idea of the best sex life?', before presenting the nine key themes that emerged. Paul will follow by considering how these findings, which provide a useful insight into the sexual desires of gay and bisexual men, might connect with the practical processes and priorities of delivering public health and health promotion interventions.

Individually tailored behavioural interventions for MSM

Location: Conservatory

Speakers: Tobias Herder, Project Manager HIV & STI, RFSL Stockholm & Posithiva Gruppen
Martin Murchie, Senior Sexual Health Adviser, NHS Greater Glasgow And Clyde
Robert Wisniewski, Manager Peer Support Services, The Metro Centre

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: Veronica Nall, Co-Director, Trade Sexual Health

Tobias will share his experience regarding how they set up the first Online Peer Outreach project for HIV positive MSM in Sweden. Tobias will describe the structure of the collaboration, and present the methodology of the peer outreach itself, including how motivational interviewing is used in the conversation methodology. Robert will also discuss Metro's peer online mentoring programme, set up in 2011 as part of the CHAPS enhanced prevention fund. Martin will discuss how their service provides an individualised cognitive behavioural therapy intervention which explores how an individual's thoughts, beliefs and attitudes impact on their behaviour, providing information on the rationale and underpinning evidence for the service, explaining some of the challenges experienced so far, as well as detailing their learning from delivering the service and share future plans.

Treatment as prevention, a review of the current evidence base

Location: Oslo Suite

Speaker: Gus Cairns, Editor, NAM

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: Scott Ormerod, Manager, Staffordshire Buddies

Gus will give an update on the current evidence base on treatment as prevention, and discuss the implications for HIV prevention organisations and workers of the substantial efficacy of antiretroviral therapy (ART – HIV treatment) in preventing HIV infections.

Promoting regular testing amongst MSM *(repeated session 5)*

Location: Bristol Suite

Speakers: Valerie Delpech, Lead Scientist in HIV surveillance, Health Protection Agency
Yusef Azad, Director of Policy and Campaigns, NAT
Tom Doyle, Director, Yorkshire MESMAC

Format: Panel debate

Chair: Justin Harbottle, Community Development and Volunteer Co-ordinator, Terrence Higgins Trust

The HPA will present what is known on HIV testing from clinic data and behavioural studies, and highlight the difficulties in obtaining an insight into testing cultures within local communities. The following debate will enable participants to share their experiences on encouraging and increasing HIV testing among different groups of MSM in the community and put forward ideas on new, feasible settings for HIV testing.

17:30 Day one closing plenary

Treatment as Prevention

Location: Bristol Suite

Keynote Matthew Hodson, Head of Programmes, GMFA

speakers: Cary James, Head of Programmes, Terrence Higgins Trust
Ian Williams, University College London
Peter Keogh, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine

Chair: Catherine Dodds, Lecturer, Sigma Research

Matthew, Cary, Ian and Peter will be responding to the question

How will treatment as prevention influence HIV prevention over the next decade?

Thursday 1 March 2012

10:00-11:15 Session 3

Sexual health behaviours of Scottish MSM

Location: Madrid Suite

Speakers: Paul Flowers, Professor, Glasgow Caledonian University
Lisa Goodall, Health Registrar, Chalmers Sexual Health Centre, Edinburgh
Lisa McDaid, Programme Leader (Track) – Sexual Health, MRC/CSO Social & Public Health Sciences Unit

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: Roger Peabody, Editor, NAM

Paul will be looking at the norms of safer sex, use of condoms and barebacking in relation to unprotected anal sex amongst gay men. Lisa Goodall will then explore the association between condom proficiency, condom problems and STI risk amongst Scottish MSM, whilst Lisa McDaid will be looking at the impact of a mass media campaign targeting sexual health behaviours amongst Scottish men who have sex with men.

Using social media and video in sexual health campaign work

Location: Rome Suite

Speakers: Grahame Robertson, Resource Development Manager, The Lesbian and Gay Foundation
Mark Eastwood, Designer, The Lesbian and Gay Foundation

Format: Workshop

The LGF has almost 20 years of experience in delivering safer sex messages and sexual health campaigns to MSM in Greater Manchester. Through using YouTube, Twitter and Facebook, thousands of people have engaged with their 'Know Your HIV Status' sexual health campaign which is designed to enable people to make a positive behavioural change in their own sex lives and to ensure they are aware of their HIV status. This presentation will focus on how the Men's Leadership Group at LGF used social media and video to promote campaign messages, and the inherent challenges and opportunities these approaches incur. There will be specific examples of our approach around video campaigns delivered during World AIDS day, and on visiting a sexual health clinic.

Employing motivational interviewing

Location: Oslo Suite

Speakers: David Stuart, Education, Training and Outreach Manager, London Friend
Peter Boyle, Sexual Health Co-ordinator, The Lesbian and Gay Foundation

Format: Workshop

The Lesbian & Gay Foundation and Antidote at London Friend have undertaken a piece of work funded by the CHAPS Enhanced Prevention Fund. This project employs Motivational Interviewing techniques to bring about behaviour change in MSM who take risks with their sexual behaviour and substance use. This session will look at the benefits of motivational interviewing techniques, as well as explore behaviour changes that can occur as a result of the techniques and how Motivational Interviewing Techniques can be used within community.

Mental health of MSM

Location: Conservatory

Speakers: Clive Spendlove, Mental Health/Well-being worker, Yorkshire MESMAC
John Lee, Associate Specialist in Genito-Urinary Medicine, The Mid-Yorkshire Hospitals NHS Trust

Format: Workshop

This session aims to stimulate thinking and discussion of possible psychosocial motivating factors relating to sexual and other health-related behaviours, to share and compare examples from clinical practice shared within the group which highlight the need to focus on mental and emotional health in connection with safer sex, ART compliance and living with HIV, and to prompt focus on MSM who have diagnosed/treated mental health problems. An emphasis on encouraging the sharing of issues and good examples from professional practice from group members, including difficulties for working more holistically, will be encouraged.

Primary HIV infection

Location: Bristol Suite

Speakers: **Yusef Azad**, Director of Policy and Campaigns, NAT
Dr David Pao, Clinical Lecturer & HIV/GU Physician, UCL School of Pharmacy

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: **Louise Sweeney**, Health Promotion Specialist, Terrence Higgins Trust

NAT conducted a survey with over 8,000 men of knowledge of primary HIV infection (PHI) and its symptoms. Poor knowledge of PHI was revealed and worrying responses on what men would do should they experience PHI symptoms. Dr Pao and colleagues at the Royal Sussex County Hospital Brighton have researched knowledge of PHI amongst healthcare workers as well as knowledge/actions amongst people during PHI. This session will present a picture of why PHI is an important opportunity to diagnose HIV at an early stage before years of asymptomatic infection, the significance of PHI for onward HIV transmission rates amongst MSM and consider what opportunities there might be to increase knowledge of PHI amongst MSM and diagnosis during early stage HIV infection.

Positive prevention

Location: Berlin Suite

Speakers: **Colin Armstead**, Service and Development Manager, George House Trust
Stuart Gibson, Clinical Psychologist, South London & Maudsley NHS Foundation Trust

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: **Richard Jackson**, Health Promotion Specialist – Gay Men, Terrence Higgins Trust

From October 2008 to September 2011 GHT ran an EJAF funded project, Positive Prevention. The project primarily consisted of sessional facilitated courses for gay men newly diagnosed with HIV and reflective and facilitated residential weekends for gay men diagnosed with HIV for longer than 12 months. Colin will share the project findings and provide an insight into this aspect of work with HIV positive gay men. The session will provide participants with a view about the interventions which may or may not be effective.

11.15 – 11.45 Break including refreshments

DVD: Youth Chances

Location: Rome Suite

A social research and influencing project aiming to improve the lives of 16–25 year old lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and questioning young people across England. The Metro Centre.

11:45-13:00 Session 4

What makes campaigns engaging?

Location: Bristol Suite

Speakers: **Richard Scholey**, Social Marketing Manager, Terrence Higgins Trust
Pat Branigan, Director, Cambridge Health Evaluation Consultancy

Format: Themed conference session

In 2011 CHAPS commissioned an independent evaluation of its mass media campaigns. Comparing campaigns developed by CHAPS and those from other agencies, men were asked about the factors that made campaigns memorable and engaging. Feedback was sought on what difference, if any, there is between campaigns created in-house and those through a partnership with creative agencies. The session will explore what qualities men find engaging and how they attribute these to campaigns generated with or without commercial communications expertise. It will also review what is currently working well in campaign development. Richard will also look at the penultimate CHAPS campaign ('Smart Arse'/'Clever Dick') and explore how it has integrated learning from nearly 15 years of CHAPS mass media campaign development. It will examine how it employed social marketing principles such as customer insight, 'exchange', segmentation and incentivisation.

Creating safe school environments for LGBT youth

Location: Conservatory

Speakers: **Annie Hargreaves**, Strategic Lead: Health & Schools, Torbay Children's Services
Karen Chapman, Community Development Worker, Yorkshire MESMAC
Gary Harkness, Local Service Co-ordinator, Yorkshire MESMAC

Format: Themed conference session

Chair: **Nathan Sparling**, LGBT Officer, NUS Scotland

Annie will explore why it is every child and young person's basic human right to receive effective SRE. Annie's presentation will also equip those present with ways in which they can impact on this situation as well as sharing good practice around effective SRE for LGBT young people and challenging homophobia from primary schools onwards. Karen and Gary will then explore how MESMAC's project on working with secondary schools to target homophobic bullying has worked and the shortcomings it has experienced, before inviting participants to share their experience of reaching schools, improving awareness and best practice.

GU at Leicester Pride

Location: Rome Suite

Speakers: **Sal Khalifa**, Co-Director, Trade Sexual Health
Craig Everitt, Head of Sexual Health Services, University Hospitals Leicester GUM

Format: Workshop

The ethics of using a rapid test at Pride events with results given on the spot have always been a concern, given the nature of the event being a celebration and alcohol being available. This project overcame this with the use of venous blood samples and GU giving results by their usual methods. In addition, the marquee was divided to support not only a clinic but also a health and wellbeing section, where Trade publicised its services and various visiting organisations e.g drug and alcohol, fitness, stop smoking services. This workshop will look at the barriers to providing GUM services at Pride events and collaborative working at such events.

How useful are social support groups in terms of prevention work with gay and bisexual men?

Location: Oslo Suite

Speaker: **Jonathan Cookson**, Community Development Worker, Yorkshire MESMAC

Format: Workshop

In this session Jonathan will present all the ways in which social support groups can aid prevention work with gay and bisexual men, with the aim of enlightening attendees about what men attending social support groups actually gain from them and what they think are the most effective learning and awareness-raising tools.

No more silos

Location: Berlin Suite
Speakers: Paul Steinberg, Senior Health Promotion Specialist MSM, Guy's & St Thomas's NHS Foundation Trust
 Michael Mancinelli, GMI Health Trainer Manager, Positive East
 Klaus Johansen, Staff Nurse, 56 Dean Street
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: Al Green, Sexual Health Team Co-ordinator - Project Lead, Healthy Gay Cornwall

This session will look at the historic challenges facing the voluntary sector in working effectively with clinical services, and how we have tackled these in the highest HIV prevalence areas. It will explore the opportunities and challenges of working in partnership with clinical services, and provide recommendations for others wishing to follow our example. Finally it will reflect on the practicability and feasibility of implementing HPA guidelines around testing and behaviour change from a joint clinically/community-oriented HIV Prevention approach.

Needs assessment of the sector

Location: Madrid Suite
Speaker: Rob Goodwin, Consultant, Mbarc Research and Consultancy
 Michael Bell, Mbarc Research and Consultancy
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: Sarah Aston, Sexual Health and Targeted Prevention Team Leader, The Eddystone Trust

This session is an opportunity to view the initial findings of the MSM HIV Prevention Sector Survey and one-to-one interviews conducted by MBARC on behalf of the CHAPS Sector Development and Leadership Group. The session will set the context of reviewing the Sector Organisational and Workforce development needs in meeting the challenges faced by the sector especially the Epidemiological Challenge, the Test & Treat Challenge, the HIV Late Diagnosis Challenge, the Integration Challenge and the NHS Reform Challenge. There will then be the opportunity for participants to discuss and work together during the session focusing on key areas and challenges as outlined. The outputs from the session will be included in the final report.

13.00 – 14.00 Lunch - Bristol Foyer

DVD: Prisoner Cell Block HIV

Location: Rome Suite

Trade and Yorkshire MESMAC's sexual health video for prisoners.

DVD: Kushbai Youth Group

Location: Berlin Suite

Young LGBTQ experiences and needs, The Eddystone Trust.

14:00-14:30 Final group plenary Bristol Suite

14:30-15:45 Session 5

Promoting regular testing amongst MSM (repeated session)

Location: Bristol Suite
Speakers: Valerie Delpech, Lead Scientist in HIV surveillance, Health Protection Agency
 Yusef Azad, Director of Policy and Campaigns, NAT
 Tom Doyle, Director, Yorkshire MESMAC
Format: Panel debate
Chair: Cary James, Head of Programmes, Terrence Higgins Trust

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Psychosexual dysfunction in MSM associated with treatment

Location: Oslo Suite
Speakers: Doug Ritchie-O'Dell, Co-ordinator / Psychosexual Therapist, Men4Men Sexual Health Outreach Project (SHOP)
 TBC
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: TBC

There is evidence to suggest that Highly Active Anti-Retroviral Therapy (HAART) used to treat HIV may directly affect sexual performance in men living with HIV. Opponents suggest that age, advanced HIV and general chronic ill health might account for the high prevalence of reported erectile dysfunction in this group. Doug will share the evidence found following the literature search of academic papers on MSM, HIV infection and Sexual Dysfunction, look at the psychosomatic, somatisation/symptoms associated with erectile dysfunction by means of case studies and suggest ways in which the future training and knowledge of services associated with MSM communities who may be experiencing sexual dysfunction.

Sexual health provision for MSM in smaller towns and rural communities

Location: Rome Suite
Speakers: Daniel Bunker, Service Development Manager, Outhouse East
 Sarah Aston, Sexual Health and Targeted Prevention Team Leader, The Eddystone Trust
Format: Workshop
Chair: Huw Williams, Centre Manager, Terrence Higgins Trust

This session will suggest ways in which MSM sexual health services can be improved for people who live in rural communities. The presentation will argue that more needs to be known about MSM in rural communities and small towns, what their habits and their expectations are. It will challenge the idea of equality within public-funded provision and how that really manifests itself for people in less urban areas. Through giving examples of both bad and good practice, the audience will take away ideas and feel able to challenge local sexual health providers.

GPs surgery project

Location: Conservatory
Speakers: Dennis Baldwin, GP Project Manager, The Lesbian and Gay Foundation
 TBC
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: Michael Mancinelli, GMI Health Trainer Manager, Positive East

LGB people are less likely to access mainstream health services because of actual or perceived discrimination and prejudice, often feeling a need to hide their sexual orientation. The LGF in partnership with NHS NW has developed a benchmarking tool 'Pride in Practice' that identifies GP surgeries that are fully committed to assuring that their LGB patients are treated fairly and able to discuss their issues openly. Pride in Practice draws on the outcomes listed under the NHS NW 'Equality Performance Improvement Toolkit' to help surgeries meet their obligations under the equalities legislation, helping surgeries to identify precisely the kind of gaps which can then be addressed to ensure that they are fully accessible to their LGB patients and their needs.

Positive prevention (repeated session)

Location: Madrid Suite
Speakers: Colin Armstead, Service and Development Manager, George House Trust
 Stuart Gibson, Chair of the Faculty of HIV & Sexual Health, Division of Clinical Psychology, British Psychological Society
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: Garry Brough, Membership and Involvement Officer, Terrence Higgins Trust

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Outreach and the community

Location: Berlin Suite
Speakers: **Andrew Haughton**, Health Promotion & Outreach Worker, Trade Sexual Health
Paul Cooke, Prevention Worker, The Eddystone Trust
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Del Campbell**, Community Engagement Manager, Terrence Higgins Trust

Andrew will discuss how Trade worked with the local Leicester LGBT community and venue owners to use campaign resources to increase engagement with the pledges/campaign messages. Looking at how Trade's 'Super Troopers' project gave the campaign a highly visible, interactive and fun façade whilst increasing the amount of volunteers available to discuss the aims of the campaign. Andrew will look at how the campaign was linked with WAD, raising awareness in the LGBT community of Trade's 'Kwik Prick' rapid HIV POCT scheme and other testing centres and services. Paul will then explore the issues surrounding litter in PSEs and the wider effect this can have on MSM, our sector and the community and how can we advocate for MSM in communities where littering causes offence. Paul will look at the ethics and explore responsibilities of the sector, local authorities, police and individuals and participants will discuss the reasons, impact and solutions to these issues.

15.45 – 16.00 Break including refreshments

DVD: Protect yourself

Location: Rome Suite

A series of four short films from Gay Men's Health Service, Ireland for MSM.

16:00-17:15 Session 6

Increasing the uptake of HIV testing

Location: Rome Suite
Speakers: **Tom Hunt**, Community Development Worker, Yorkshire MESMAC
Sacha Rathore, HIV Outreach Officer, Terrence Higgins Trust
Format: Starter session
Chair: **Sam Cunningham**, Strategy and Leadership Manager, Terrence Higgins Trust

Tom will talk about Yorkshire MESMAC's award winning 'Testing Times' service which has led the way for community testing services for MSM in Leeds, Bradford, Wakefield and North Yorkshire. 'Testing Times' pre-dates the NICE guidelines and meets several of its recommendations. The expansion of the service has continued apace with a favorable mention in the recent House of Lords Select Committee on HIV and AIDS in the UK report, 'No vaccine, no cure: HIV and AIDS in the United Kingdom'. This session will be useful for new members of CHAPS partner organisations to have an overview of NICE guidelines and an insight on Yorkshire MESMAC's community testing programme.

Text Therapy

Location: Oslo Suite
Speakers: **Andy Connolly**, Young People's Counsellor, Terrence Higgins Trust
Katherine Cox, Talksafe Supervisor, Terrence Higgins Trust
Format: Workshop

The aim of this session will be to present some of the findings and experiences of the Talksafe team in delivering text (SMS) therapy to young people (aged 10-24) in order to facilitate discussion. Talksafe is in its third year and is aimed at improving the sexual health of young people by delivering therapy/counselling in a number of different ways. Texting is perhaps the most controversial of these, especially in the world of psychotherapy. It is an innovative project; research has only uncovered one other project worldwide delivering such a service. As there is no approved model as such, our experience has very much been one of trial and error, and it is this learning we will bring to the session.

Bad romance. Can sexual health promotion ever deliver what men really want? (repeated session 2)

Location: Conservatory
Speakers: **Adam Bourne**, Research Fellow, Sigma Research
Paul Steinberg, Senior Health Promotion Specialist MSM, Guy's & St Thomas's NHS Foundation Trust
Gary Hammond, Administrator, Sigma Research
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Phillip Wragg**, Health Promotion Specialist, Terrence Higgins Trust

A holistic approach to gay and bisexual men's sexual health and wellbeing is essential if we are to facilitate men having the 'best sex with the least harm', but there are many inherent structural and pragmatic issues which require careful consideration in achieving this. Using data from the 2010 EMIS survey, this session will begin by exploring what constitutes the best sex life for gay and bisexual men. Adam and Gary will explain how 13,000 men responded to the question 'What is your idea of the best sex life?', before presenting the nine key themes that emerged. Paul will follow by considering how these findings, which provide a useful insight into the sexual desires of gay and bisexual men, might connect with the practical processes and priorities of delivering public health and health promotion interventions.

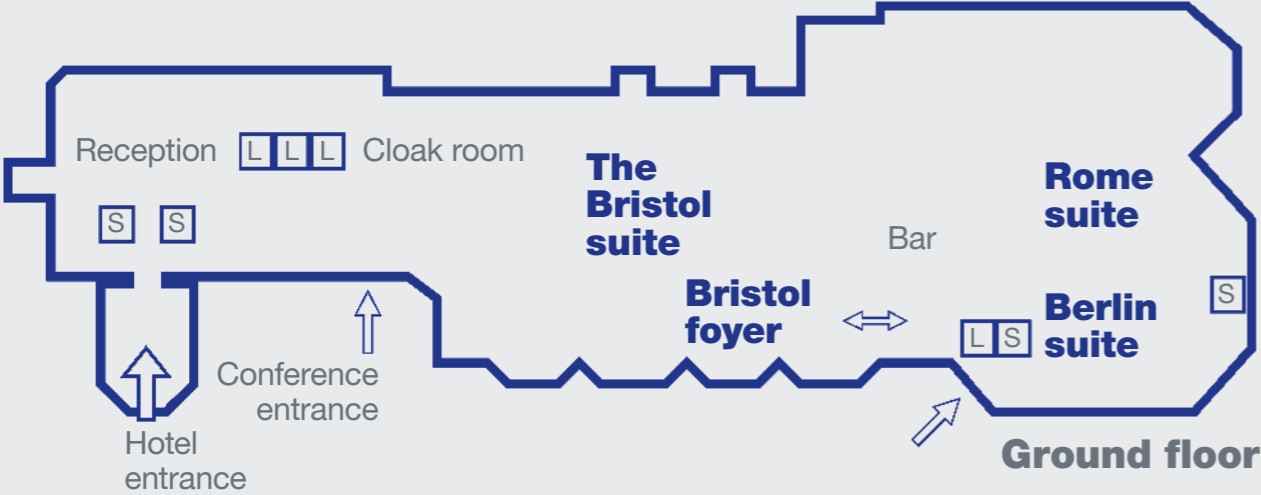
Mystery shoppers

Location: Berlin Suite
Speakers: **Nicklas Dennermalm**, Head of HIV / STI, RFSL Stockholm
Nick Douglas, LGBT Health & Inclusion Project Coordinator, Terrence Higgins Trust
Format: Themed conference session
Chair: **Simon Cordon**, London Operations Manager, Terrence Higgins Trust

Nicklas will be talking about 'The Gold Stars of the Sexperts', an intervention to identify gay-friendly STI clinics using mystery testers. The intervention was not done in secret; it was presented for the clinics and the community through different media channels and Nicklas will talk about the importance of multi-platform approaches to HIV-prevention work. Evidence also suggests that sexual health services find it hard to engage transgendered people. Nick will present background to 'Clued Up', outline the process of delivering the intervention and present data from the participant questionnaires and staff debriefing sessions. This will enable participants to consider the potential of the 'Clued Up' model as a feasible intervention for increasing the uptake of sexual health services by transgendered people.

17:15-17:30 Thank yous and goodbyes Bristol Suite

Floor plans



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S = stairs
T = toilets

