London Vision Improve services and prevention for HIV and other STIs



Our ambition: for London get to zero by 2030: no new HIV infections, zero preventable deaths and zero stigma

Our commitment: we will broaden partnership working to focus further on tackling health inequality and a wider range of sexually transmitted diseases

The challenge we face...

HIV is an important public health problem in London. In 2017, an estimated 38,600 people were living with HIV in London, representing 38% of all people living with diagnosed or undiagnosed HIV in the UK. Poor sexual and reproductive health, including transmission rates of HIV have major impacts on population mortality, morbidity and wider wellbeing^{43,59}

1,549

Londoners were newly diagnosed with HIV in 2017



Black African people are over twice as likely to be diagnosed late with HIV



Despite considerable progress, HIV is twice as common in London as it is in England

44%

of Londoners living with diagnosed HIV were aged between 35 and 49 years in 2017 14%

of HIV-diagnosed Londoners expressed concern about discrimination in a health care setting in 2017

98%

of HIV-diagnosed residents were receiving anti-retroviral treatment in London in 2017, exceeding the UNAIDS target

Our actions so far...

- Continuing to build cross sector collaborations through London's Fast Track Cities Initiative (FTCI) Leadership Group and providing oversight London's action on getting to zero
- Continuing to engage the Department of Health and Social Care in calling for access to PrEP for all to be funded to reduce new HIV infections
- Deploying targeted health promotion, including widening testing to reach those specific cohorts of the population where new HIV infections rates are highest and regular testing should be encouraged
- Promoting prevention choices for Londoners on a pan-London basis through the London HIV Prevention Programme, funded by London boroughs

Our next steps...

- We will continue to be part of the FTCI, and to work towards zero new HIV infections, zero preventable deaths and zero stigma by 2030. We will invest £6m into this initiative over three-years with particular effort to support the 5% of people who live with undiagnosed HIV
- London heath, care and government organisations will achieve stigma-free status by 2022 and engage other sectors towards the same aspiration
- We will reduce stigma by positively challenging myths around transmission; promoting the message that HIV is a long-term condition people live with and through effective treatment cannot pass it on
- We will continue to deliver world class health promotion across the city through the London HIV Prevention Programme, funded by London boroughs
- We will use our learning from this HIV work to help diagnose and treat other blood-borne viruses including hepatitis C, and sexually transmitted infections including chlamydia, gonorrhoea and syphilis

