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CIRCULAR NO 1: CREATING A FRIENDLY AND CONDUCIVE ENVIRONMENT FOR KEY POPULATIONS ACCESSING PUBLIC FACILITIES IN SOUTH AFRICA.

South Africa's national response is guided by its National Strategic Plan for HIV, TB, and STIs (NSP), NSP 2023-2028 which focuses on ending inequalities and breaking down barriers to eliminate the epidemics as public health threats with a specific focus on key and other priority populations. Key Populations include sex workers, gay and other men who have sex with men, transgender people, people who inject and use drugs, and people in prisons. Key populations are disproportionately affected by HIV due to certain risk behaviors, marginalization, and structural factors such as stigma, discrimination, violence, human right violations, and criminalization which contributes to limited access to health services.

This circular's aim is to highlight the critical importance of ensuring that all persons and especially key populations have access to health services that are in keeping with the principles of Batho Pele where:

All citizens should have equal access to the services to which they are entitled. Citizens should be treated with courtesy and consideration. Citizens should be given full, accurate information about the public services they are entitled to receive.

The spirit of Batho Pele is to respect the dignity of the people we serve and acknowledge their rights to public health services. This is important because it means that the needs and expectations of those that we serve should be foremost and placed first. As health care providers we have a moral and legal responsibility to deliver the best possible service to all including key populations that require our services with Batho Pele being the moral criteria used to assess the quality standard of service always delivered.

In this regard the attached table summarises that health services needs of the different key population groups. These interventions, in addition to comprehensive health care services should be made available to key populations based on an assessment of the individual's health care needs. Furthermore, it is expected that the attached reporting tool be utilized by the facility peer educators on the services rendered and use the STI screening Tool to ensure timely diagnosis and treatment.

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Key Populations Package of Health Services offered at all Public PHC services

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Services a	Services at public health facilities offered to all including key populations.	Sex Workers	Men who have sex with men	Transgender	Persons who inject drugs	Inmates
Sexual and reproductive health	oductive health					
Contraceptives	ves					
· Safer sex ar	Safer sex and risk reduction counselling					
· Cervical Car	Cervical Cancer screening					
- Condom Pr	Condom Promotion and Use					2
- Condom de	Condom demonstration					
· Access to s	Access to safe abortion services					
Pregnancy support	ort					
 Pregnancy testing 	esting					
 Early booking 	18					
 Antenatal, 	Antenatal, post-natal and intrapartum care					
 Prevention 	Prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT)					
Healthy lifestyle						
- Nutrition						
 Dietary guidance 	dance					
 Regular exercise 	rcise					
Injuries and minor ailments	nor allments					
· Screening	Screening and treatment					
AIH						
- HTS						
 ART, PEP and PrEP 	nd PrEP					
 HIV prever 	HIV prevention package, including an adequate supply of condoms and					
lubricant						
 Treatment 	Treatment adherence support					
Availability	Availability of Self Screening Tools					
· CD4 Count	CD4 Count and Viral Load					
· All testing	All testing is voluntary and confidential (consent obtained)					
Individuals	Individuals with HIV are given linkage to care and support after diagnosis					
Screening, mai	Screening, management and/or referrals for:					
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Psychosocial support

TB, STIs and viral hepatitis	
Mental health disorders including anxiety, depression, PTSD, psychotic	
disorders and harmful drug and alcohol use	
Obesity (body mass index)	
Malnutrition	
Violence and sexual assault	
Screening	
Psychosocial support	
Post-violence care and support services	
Sexually Transmitted Screening	
All Screening and Testing be confidential	
- Utilization of STI Symptomatic Screening Tool	
 Treatment be given immediately, counsel for condom use and partner 	
notification	
Tailored health information offered in facilities and during outreach including education on consistent use and condom negotiation skills	
Include key population representatives on AIDS councils, clinic committees or advisory boards of key population services.	



SEXUALLY TRANSMITTED INFECTIONS (STIs) TOOL SYNDROMIC SCREENING TOOL

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الوات	GENERAL MEASURES FOR STI PREVENTION	HE.	11
• Co	nduct screening and early detection of STIs for all sexually active clients.		
	ovide HIV Counselling and education.		
Pr	omote condom use and demonstration to reduce the risk of STIs.		
 Su 	pport compliance/adherence to treatment and completion of STI treatment.		
 Co 	ntact treatment/partner notification.		
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same time and have been accepted as the management of choice. Thus, is important to screen for the

YES

1. Itching or sores around the vagina and/or discharge from the vagina for women.

following STI Symptoms

Do you experience any of the following?

2.	Sores on or discharge from the penis for men.	YES	NO
100	Pain during sex or when urinating.	YES	NO
3.		Vec.	No.
4.	Pain in the pelvic or lower abdominal area.	VES	NO
5.	Assess for the presence of sore throats in people who report having oral sex.	YES	NO
6.	Pain or sores in or around the anus for people who have anal sex.	YES	NC
ccord	: If the patient responds "yes" to any of the above, conduct further investigati ling to the National STI Management Guidelines.		age
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Do you	know your HIV status?	YES	NO
When	last did you test for HIV?		
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When Action the pa	last did you test for HIV? Conduct an HIV test if the client does not know his/her HIV status or has not his to months. ONCE SCREENING HAS BEEN CONCLUDED, EDUCATE THE CLIENT EATED STIS ARE ASSOCIATED WITH SEVERE COMPLICATIONS, such as: Compromised fertility (for males & females), ectopic pregnancy, and pelvic inflancellular changes increase the risk of genital cancers.	ad an HIV te	st in
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Date	Consulting room:	Facility name:

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Key populations Daily Tally Sheet: To be completed by clinicians/ LC/CHW

Section 1: HIV Services Offered (-More than one tally per client is possible)

STI Screened	Offered lubricants	Offered condoms	Enrolled on PrEP	Enrolled on ART	Tested HIV Positive	Tested for HIV	Services	prosince
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Section 2: Referrals from

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Age group	SW	TG/W	TG/M	MSM	PWUD	Inmates	Daily Total
Consulted at the clinic	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	
Refered by KP Peer Navigator	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	
Referred by KP Supporting partner/ organisation	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	
Referred by KP Peer Navigator	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	
Referred by KP Peer Navigator	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	

Section 3: Referral to:

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Referrals	SW	TG/W	TG/M	MSM	PWUD	Inmates	Daily Total
Referal to mental Health	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	
Referal to GBV	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	00000	