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PARTICIPANT SURVEY

We are interested in your opinions about HIV. We would also like to get some additional information about you. If you’re not sure, choose an answer that comes closest to what you think might be true for each question. Please remember that your answers are private. You can choose not to answer any question and can stop at any time.

DEMOGRAPHICS

1. How old are you?

Age\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

a. Prefer not to answer

2. What was your sex assigned at birth?

a. \_\_\_\_Male

b. \_\_\_\_Female

c. \_\_\_\_Intersex/ambiguous

d. \_\_\_\_Don’t know [INELIGIBLE]

e. \_\_\_\_Prefer not to answer [INELIGIBLE]

3. Do you consider yourself to be male, female, or transgender? (check only one)

1 Male

2 Female

3 Transgender Man (or Transmale or Transman)

4 Transgender Woman (or Transfemale or Transwoman)

8 Don’t know [INELIGIBLE]

9 Prefer not to answer [INELIGIBLE]

4. Are you Hispanic or Latino/a

a. \_\_\_\_No

b. \_\_\_\_Yes

c. Prefer not to answer

5. What is your race? (One or more categories may be selected)

a. \_\_\_\_White

b. \_\_\_\_Black or African American

c. \_\_\_\_American Indian or Alaska Native

d. \_\_\_\_Asian

e. \_\_\_\_Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander

f. \_\_\_Other [Specify: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_]

g. Prefer not to answer

6. In what country or territory were you born?

1 United States [SKIP TO S8]

2 Puerto Rico

3 Mexico

4 Cuba

5 Other (Specify: )

9 Prefer not to answer

7. How many years have you been living in the United States? (If less than one year, put a 0 in the space.)

\_\_\_\_\_\_ years

8. What language are you most comfortable using with your family and friends?

1 English

2 Spanish

3 English and Spanish equally

4 Other (Specify: )

9 Prefer not to answer

9. What is the highest grade or year of school you finished?

a. Never attended school or only attended kindergarten

b. Grades 1 through 8 (elementary)

c. Grades 9 through 11 (some high school)

d. Grade 12 or GED (high school graduate)

e. College 1 year to 3 years (some college or technical school)

f. College 4 years or more (college graduate)

g. Prefer not to answer

10. Which best describes your total personal income during the past year?

1 Less than $20,000

2 $20,001 to $30,000

3 $30,001 to $40,000

4 $40,001 to $50,000

5 $50,001 or more

9 Prefer not to answer

11. Which do you consider yourself to be?

a. Gay, lesbian, homosexual, or same gender loving

b. Bisexual or two spirited

c. Straight or heterosexual

d. Other [Specify:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_]

e. None of the above/unsure

f. Prefer not to answer

12. What is your current relationship status? Are you…?

a. Single

b. Married to a man

c. Married to a woman

d. In a relationship with a man

e. In a relationship with a woman

f. Divorced or widowed

g. Prefer not to answer

13. In what ZIP code do you currently live? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

14. Before being contacted for this study, had you ever heard of CDC or the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention?

a. Yes

b. No

e. Prefer not to answer

15. Please tell us if you agree or disagree with the following statement: I trust the Centers for Disease Control, or CDC, as a source for HIV information.

1 Strongly agree

2 Agree

3 Neither agree nor disagree

4 Disagree

5 Strongly disagree

9 Prefer not to answer

**16. What is your job title or role?**

1. [Public Health Professional: e.g. epidemiologist, health communicator, health educator, etc]
2. [Healthcare Provider: e.g. doctor (MD, DO), nurse, nurse practitioner, physician’s assistant]
3. [General Consumer: neither a Public Health Professional nor a Healthcare Provider]
4. [Other:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_]

Behaviors

These next few questions are about your personal behaviors, including sexual activity. Please remember that your answers are kept private.

Sexual Activity

17. Did you have anal sex with any of your male partner(s) in the past [INSERT TIME FRAME]?

a. Yes [1]

b. No [0]

c. Refuse to answer [9]

[If yes…]

18. When you had anal sex with your male partner(s) in the past [INSERT TIME FRAME], how often did you and your partner use a condom?

a. Never used a condom [1]

b. Occasionally used a condom [2]

c. Usually used a condom [3]

d. Always used a condom [4]

e. Refuse to answer [9]

19. In the past [INSERT TIME FRAME], did you ever, even one time, have sex without a condom?

a. Yes [1]

b. No [0]

c. Refuse to answer [9]

20. In the past [INSERT TIME FRAME], how many non-main partners – that is, somebody who you did not consider to be a spouse, significant other, or life partner – did you have oral, vaginal, or anal sex with?

a. 0 [1]

b. 1-5 [2]

c. 6-10 [3]

d. 11-15 [4]

e. 16-20 [5]

f. Over 20 [6]

g. Refuse to answer [9]

21. Did you have unprotected anal sex with any male partners in the past [INSERT TIME FRAME] whose HIV status you didn’t know? By unprotected sex, I mean anal sex when you or your partner didn’t use a condom.

a. Yes [1]

b. No [0]

c. Refuse to answer [9]

22. Did you have unprotected anal sex with any male partners in the past [INSERT TIME FRAME] who you knew or thought to be HIV positive? By unprotected sex, I mean anal sex when you or your partner didn’t use a condom.

a. Yes [1]

b. No [0]

c. Refuse to answer [9]

Sexual Partners

Risk

23. Thinking about the sex you’ve had over the past [INSERT TIME FRAME], do you consider yourself to be high, medium or low risk for getting/transmitting HIV?

a. Low risk [1]

b. Medium risk [2]

c. High risk [3]

d. Refuse to answer [9]

24. Thinking about the sex you’ve had over the past 12 months, do you consider yourself to be low, medium or high risk for getting HIV?

1 Low risk

2 Medium risk

3 High risk

9 Prefer not to answer

25. In the past 12 months, how often did you use condoms for anal sex with your current main sexual partner?

1 Always

2 Usually

3 Occasionally

4 Never

9 Prefer not to answer

26. Some couples develop agreements about whether, when, and with whom sex outside the relationship is okay. Which one of the following scenarios best describes any agreements that you and your main partner have?

1 Both of us cannot have any sex with an outside partner

2 We can have sex with outside partners but with some restrictions

3 We can have sex with outside partners without any restrictions

4 We do not have an agreement

9 Prefer not to answer

27. In the past 12 months, how often did you use condoms for anal sex with casual (non-main) sexual partners?

1 Always

2 Usually

3 Occasionally

4 Never

9 Prefer not to answer

28. Tell me how risky you think each behavior is for [getting OR transmitting] HIV. Use a scale where 0 is lowest risk and 100 is highest risk. Please assign any number in that range to each of the behaviors listed.

a. Deep kissing \_\_\_\_\_

b. Receptive anal sex (“bottom”) with a condom \_\_\_\_\_

c. Receptive anal sex (“bottom”) without a condom \_\_\_\_\_

d. Receptive oral sex (“giving a blow job”) with a condom \_\_\_\_\_

e. Receptive oral sex (“giving a blow job”) without a condom \_\_\_\_\_

f. Insertive anal sex (“top”) with a condom \_\_\_\_\_

g. Insertive anal sex (“top”) without a condom \_\_\_\_\_

h. Insertive oral sex (“getting a blow job”) with a condom \_\_\_\_\_

i. Insertive oral sex (“getting a blow job”) without a condom \_\_\_\_\_

j. Prefer not to answer

**28a**. [INSERT BEHAVIOR] is [more OR less] risky for [getting OR transmitting] HIV than [INSERT BEHAVIOR].

1 Strongly agree

2 Agree

3 Neither agree nor disagree

4 Disagree

5 Strongly disagree

9 Prefer not to answer

***Script: The next few questions are for people living with HIV. Earlier in the survey you reported that you had tested positive for HIV.***

29. Are you currently taking antiretroviral medicines to treat your HIV infection?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Prefer not to answer

30. What is the main reason you are not currently taking any antiretroviral medicines?

1 Not currently going to a health care provider for my HIV infection

2 CD4 count and viral load are good

3 Don't have money or insurance for antiretroviral medicines

4 Don't want to take antiretroviral medicines

5 Other [Specify:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_]

9 Prefer not to answer

31. Have you ever had an HIV viral load test?

1 Yes

2 No [SKIP TO 8.11]

8 Don’t know [SKIP TO 8.11]

9 Prefer not to answer [SKIP TO 8.11]

**30a.** **What was the result of your most recent viral load test?**

1 Undetectable

2 Detectable copies/ml

8 Don’t know

9 Prefer not to answer

32. Before today, have you ever heard of people who do not have HIV taking HIV medicines (PrEP or Truvada) *before sex*, to keep from getting HIV?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Prefer not to answer

33. Before today, have you ever heard of people who do not have HIV taking HIV medicines (post-exposure prophylaxis, nPEP, or PEP) *after sex*, to keep from getting HIV?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Prefer not to answer

34. True or False: If someone has HIV and their viral load is “undetectable”, they cannot transmit HIV to other people.

1 True

2 False

9 Prefer not to answer

35. In the past 12 months, have you taken HIV medicines (post-exposure prophylaxis, nPEP or PEP) *after* sex because you thought it would keep you from getting HIV?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Prefer not to answer

36. In the past 12 months, have you taken HIV medicines (pre-exposure prophylaxis, PrEP or Truvada) *before* sex because you thought it would keep you from getting HIV?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Prefer not to answer

**HIV RISK BEHAVIOR/PREVENTION STRATEGIES**

**[Perceived risk of HIV infection]**

**[CURRENT RISK BEHAVIOR/ personal prevention strategies]**

37. In the past 12 months, how often did you look for male sexual partners with same HIV status as you?

1 Always

2 Usually

3 Occasionally

4 Never

9 Prefer not to answer

38. In the past 12 months, how often did you use your HIV status and your male partner’s HIV status to determine which *sexual activities* (i.e., oral and anal intercourse) you would engage in?

1 Always

2 Usually

3 Occasionally

4 Never

9 Prefer not to answer

39. In the past 12 , how often did you use your HIV status and your male partner’s HIV status to determine which *sexual roles/positions* (i.e., insertive/top or receptive/bottom) you would engage in?

1 Always

2 Usually

3 Occasionally

4 Never

9 Prefer not to answer

***Script: Earlier in the survey you reported that you were last tested for HIV in [INSERT DATE from S11].***

40. When you got tested in \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ *[insert date from S11]*, where did you get tested?

1 Private doctor’s office

2 HIV counseling and testing site

3 Public health clinic/community health clinic

4 Street outreach program/mobile unit

5 Sexually transmitted disease clinic

6 Hospital (inpatient)

7 Correctional facility (jail or prison)

8 Emergency room

9 At home

10 Other

88 Don’t know [INELIGIBLE]

99 Prefer not to answer [INELIGIBLE]

***Script: Earlier in the survey you reported that you had never been tested for HIV.***

41. Below is a list of reasons why some people have not been tested for HIV. Which of these best describes the most important reason you have not been tested for HIV in the past [INSERT TIME FRAME]? [Check one]

1 I think I am at low risk for HIV infection.

2 I am afraid of finding out that I have HIV.

3 I didn’t have time.

4 Some other reason [Specify: ]

5 No particular reason

9 Prefer not to answer

HIV Awareness and Knowledge

42. Please indicate how much you disagree or agree with the following statements.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Strongly disagree**  **1** | **Disagree**  **2** | **Neither disagree or agree**  **3** | **Agree**  **4** | **Strongly agree**  **5** |
| a. I know all I need to know about HIV. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| b. I know about how to prevent getting or transmitting HIV. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| c. I know whether and how often I should be tested for HIV. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |

43. Please indicate whether the following statements about HIV are true, false, or if you don’t know the answer.

|  | True | False | Don’t Know | Prefer not to answer |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 1. The window period is the time between when a person gets tested for HIV and when they get back the results. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. HIV can be transmitted through tears, saliva, or sweat. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Antiretroviral therapy (ART) reduces the amount of HIV virus in blood and body fluids. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. ART reduces the chance of an HIV positive person transmitting HIV to a partner who is negative. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. When an HIV positive person’s viral load is “undetectable”, they are cured. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Withdrawal or pulling out is an effective way to prevent HIV. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Heterosexual men who are circumcised are less likely to get HIV from their female sexual partners compared with men who have not been circumcised. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Having a sexually transmitted disease (STD) does NOT increase a person’s risk for getting or transmitting HIV. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Condoms protect people from every type of sexually transmitted disease. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Vaginal sex is riskier for transmitting HIV than anal sex. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. The chance of getting HIV from oral sex is lower than vaginal sex. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. Having anal sex without using a condom is the riskiest type of sex for getting or transmitting HIV. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. People who are HIV negative can take medications (called pre-exposure prophylaxis or PrEP) to prevent getting infected with HIV if they have sex with someone who is HIV positive. |  |  |  |  |
| 1. A person who has been exposed to HIV can take medications (called post-exposure prophylaxis or PEP) to lower their chances of getting HIV. This only works if they take the medication within 72 hours of being exposed. |  |  |  |  |

44. There are medications available to treat HIV.

a. Strongly agree [4]

b. Agree [3]

c. Disagree [2]

d. Strongly disagree [1]

e. Don’t know [8]

f. Refuse to answer [9]

45. Because of new treatments for HIV, I think people are taking more sexual risks.

a. Strongly agree [4]

b. Agree [3]

c. Disagree [2]

d. Strongly disagree [1]

e. Don’t know [8]

f. Refuse to answer [9]

46. Because of new treatments for HIV, I’m more willing to have unprotected sex with someone who is HIV negative.

a. Strongly agree [4]

b. Agree [3]

c. Disagree [2]

d. Strongly disagree [1]

e. Don’t know [8]

f. Refuse to answer [9]

47. Because of new treatments for HIV, I’m more willing to have unprotected sex with someone who is HIV positive.

a. Strongly agree [4]

b. Agree [3]

c. Disagree [2]

d. Strongly disagree [1]

e. Don’t know [8]

f. Refuse to answer [9]

48. Please indicate how much you disagree or agree with the following statements.

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Strongly Disagree | Disagree | Neither Agree nor Disagree | Agree | Strongly Agree | Prefer not to answer |
| 1. When you live in a community where many people have HIV, the chances of having sex with someone who has HIV are higher. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1. Sexually active gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men may benefit from HIV testing every 3 to 6 months. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1. Having multiple sex partners may increase a person’s risk for HIV. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1. All people between the ages of 13 and 64 should get tested for HIV at least once. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1. Looking for sexual partners with the same HIV status as you can prevent getting or transmitting HIV. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1. Using your HIV status and your partner’s HIV status to determine which *sexual activities* (i.e., oral, vaginal, anal sex) you engage in can help reduce the risk of getting or transmitting HIV. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| 1. Using your HIV status and your partner’s HIV status to determine which *sexual roles/positions* (i.e., insertive/top or receptive/bottom) you engage in can help reduce the risk of getting or transmitting HIV. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |

49. Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with each of the following statements: “Someone who is HIV-negative and *not* taking medicines to prevent HIV (e.g., PrEP/Truvada,) should get tested for HIV every 6 months if they…”

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Strongly disagree**  **1** | **Disagree**  **2** | **Neither disagree or agree**  **3** | **Agree**  **4** | **Strongly agree**  **5** |
| a. always have sex with a condom. |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. have had anal insertive sex (topping) without a condom. |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. have had anal receptive sex (bottoming) without a condom. |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. have a sex partner who is HIV positive. |  |  |  |  |  |
| e. have had anal sex without a condom (receptive or insertive) with a partner whose HIV status they don’t know. |  |  |  |  |  |
| f. have had more than one sex partner since their last HIV test. |  |  |  |  |  |

50. On a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 is extremely harmful and 5 is extremely beneficial, how would you rate…

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Extremely Harmful  1 | Harmful  2 | Neither Harmful Nor  Beneficial  3 | Beneficial  4 | Extremely Beneficial  5 | Refuse to Answer |
| a. taking medicines to treat HIV infection (e.g. antiretroviral therapy or ART) to prevent HIV transmission? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 9 |
| b. taking medicines to prevent HIV [e.g., post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) or pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)] to prevent HIV?. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 9 |

51. Please tell us how much you disagree or agree with each of the following statements: “Taking medicines to prevent HIV….”

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Strongly disagree**  **1** | **Disagree**  **2** | **Neither disagree or agree**  **3** | **Agree**  **4** | **Strongly agree**  **5** |
| a. is expensive. |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. is inconvenient. |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. allows me to have unprotected sex with my partner(s) |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. is for someone like me. |  |  |  |  |  |

52. Please tell us how much you disagree or agree with each of the following statements: “Taking medicines to treat HIV….”

|  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | **Strongly disagree**  **1** | **Disagree**  **2** | **Neither disagree or agree**  **3** | **Agree**  **4** | **Strongly agree**  **5** |
| a. is expensive. |  |  |  |  |  |
| b. is inconvenient. |  |  |  |  |  |
| c. allows me to have unprotected sex with my partner(s) |  |  |  |  |  |
| d. is for someone like me. |  |  |  |  |  |

53. On a scale from 1 to 5, where 1 is extremely harmful and 5 is extremely beneficial, how would you rate…

|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- | --- |
|  | Extremely Harmful  1 | Harmful  2 | Neither Harmful Nor  Beneficial  3 | Beneficial  4 | Extremely Beneficial  5 | Refuse to Answer |
| a. taking medicines to treat HIV infection (e.g. antiretroviral therapy or ART) to prevent HIV transmission? | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 9 |
| b. taking medicines to prevent HIV [e.g., post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP) or pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)] to prevent HIV?. | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 9 |

## The End

Thank you for answering these questions. Please place the survey in the envelope provided. Give the survey and your consent form to the interviewer when you go into the interview room. The interviewer will not see your responses to these questions.