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HIV AIDS Factsheet

There are more than 80,000 people living with HIV in the UK. Over a quarter of those living with HIV in the UK don't know they are infected. People living with HIV still face discrimination but treatment is improving and life expectancy increasing.

World AIDS Day – 1st December

Twenty-one years ago, a summit of health ministers realised that a united global effort was required to halt the spread of HIV. As a result, World AIDS Day emerged as the first international health day in December 1988.

The aim of World AIDS Day is to bring to people's attention the worldwide challenges and consequences of the epidemic and ultimately, preventing the spread of HIV and improving the lives of people living with the virus.

Website: www.worldaidsday.org/

Facts about HIV and AIDS: www.nat.org.uk/HIV-Facts.aspx

Organisations

National AIDS Trust

NAT is the UK's leading charity dedicated to transforming society's response to HIV. It provides fresh thinking, expert advice and practical resources, and campaigns for change.

Address: New City Cloisters, 196 Old Street, London, EC1V 9FR

Tel: 020 7814 6767

Website: www.nat.org.uk

Email: info@nat.org.uk

Avert

AVERT's has three closely related programmes. Its Community Programme supports and builds partnerships with local organisations who are working to directly avert the spread of HIV & AIDS, and to improve the treatment, care and support of people infected with, or affected by HIV/AIDS. It also provides a wide range of information to educate people about HIV/AIDS across the world, and an Information and Advocacy Service to provide help and advice to the general public.

For more information about **AIDS in Africa:** www.avert.org/aids-hiv-africa.htm

Address: 4 Brighton Road, Horsham, West Sussex RH13 5BA
Tel: 01403 210202 (Mon-Fri 9am – 5pm)
Website: www.avert.org

Terrence Higgins Trust

THT is the leading and largest HIV and sexual health charity in the UK. Terry Higgins was one of the first people in the UK to die with AIDS. A group of his friends wanted to prevent more people having to face the same illness as Terry. So they named the Trust after him, hoping to personalise and humanise AIDS in a very public way. Its work and service aim to provide a world where people with HIV live healthy lives free from prejudice and discrimination, and good sexual health is a right and reality for all.

Address: Central Office, 314-320 Gray's Inn Road, London WC1X 8DP
Tel: 0845 1221 200 for an adviser or 020 7812 1600 for switchboard
Email: info@tht.org.uk
Website: www.tht.org.uk

UK Coalition of People Living with HIV and AIDS (UKC)

The UK Coalition of People Living with HIV and AIDS is a group of people living with HIV and AIDS, campaigning, researching and providing services by and for people affected by HIV/AIDS. Any person resident within the UK and who has tested positive for antibodies to the HIV virus is eligible for affiliate membership. The coalition's aim is to enable the diverse voices of people living with HIV and AIDS to be heard in order to influence change.

Address: 250 Kennington Lane, London SE11 5RD
Tel: 020 7564 2180
Email: reception@ukcoalition.org
Website: www.ukcoalition.org

AIDSPortal

AIDSPortal is a global initiative that aims to facilitate greater knowledge sharing and networking among organisations involved in the response to HIV and AIDS. Its vision is a more efficient and effective global response to HIV and AIDS.

Website: www.aidsportal.org

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