

Collaboration of HIV and primary care services in rural Ukraine

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Overview

Medical professionals – Ukraine

- Doctors
- Feldshers (similar to "advanced practice nurses")
- Nurses (assistant of a doctor)



Overview



- Population 68 000 people
- 45% live in small villages
- 429 HIV+ active patients
- 90% on ART
- Major routes of transmission:
 - 64% Unprotected sex
 - 36% IV drug use



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Challenges

- Big distances
- Bad roads
- No public transport
- HIV care can not be further decentralized
- Relatively high number of IDUs
- Poor socioeconomic conditions







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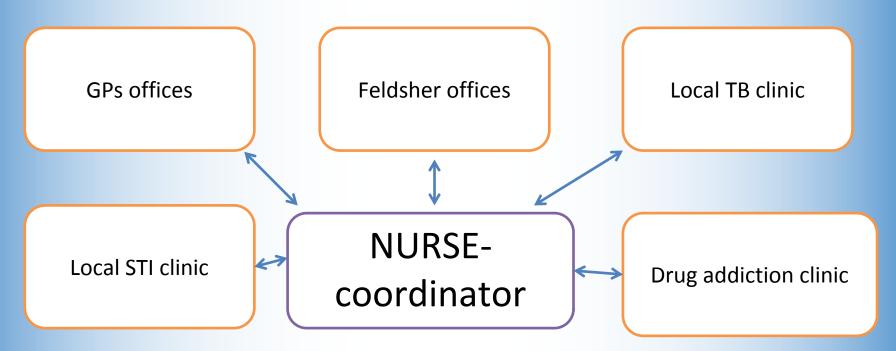
Establishing a collaborative network between HIV clinic and primary healthcare providers



- Series of educational trainings (testing, counselling)
- 25 points for HIV testing (GPs, feldshers, TB, STI clinics)
- Active collaboration on returning of clients who missed their appointments into HIV care

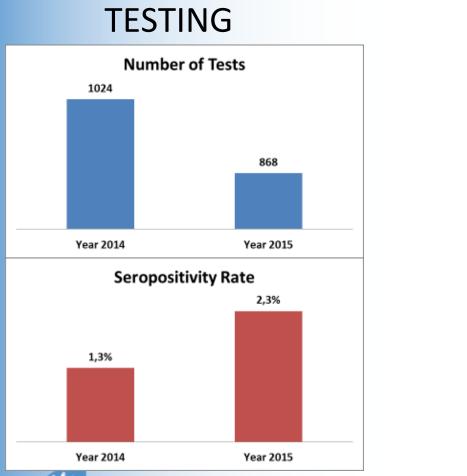


Collaboration scheme

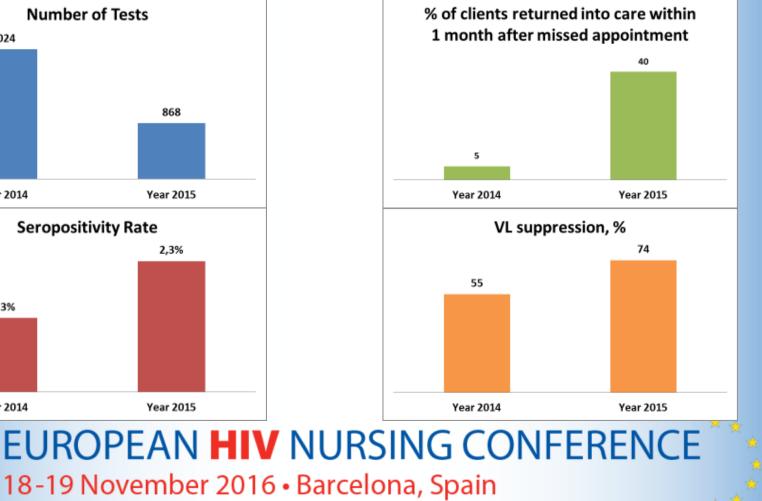




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