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My journey with HIV(-prevention)

On the importance of inclusivity and acces in the municpal hiv-response

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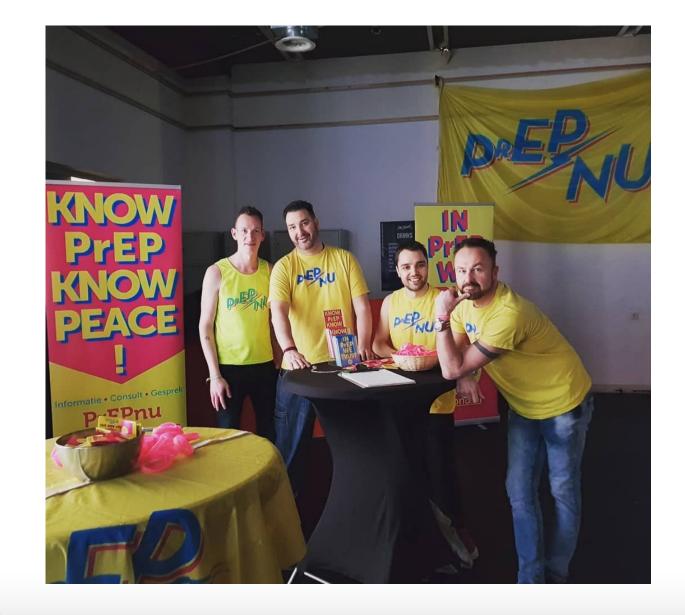


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Challenges

- Politicization of health
- The Netherlands late to introduce PrEP
- Now finally PrEP available for those most at risk



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Opportunities

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- Comprehensive sexuality education
- Stigmafree care
- Community and key population health centers



Global outlook: lessons learnt

- Acces to prevention and innovation is crucial
- 70% new HIV-infections amongst key populations and partners
- Do what's possible in local context
- Not ideological, but pragmatic



Shared responsibility

- International solidarity
- Pharmaceutical companies make innovations available
- National governments to keep HIV as funding priority
- Cities investing in HIV-response



Role of cities

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- Places of diversity --> close to communities
- Advocate for rights or silent diplomacy?
- Invest where the gaps are

