

Social Network Strategy as an effective HIV testing approach: key results and findings

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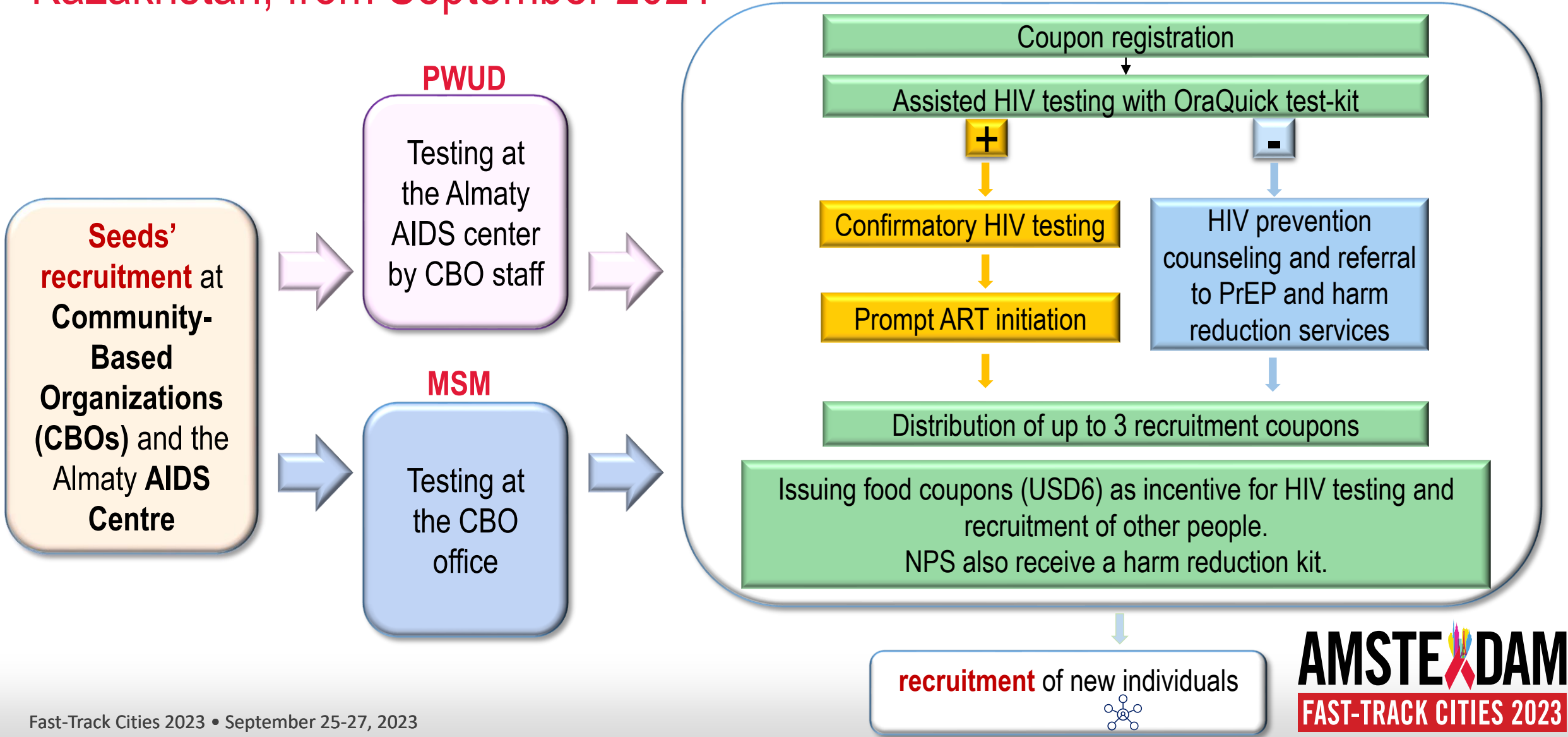


Almaty Model for Epidemic Control (AMEC) is designed and implemented by a consortium of local organizations led by ICAP at Columbia University to create and implement a **cost-effective, inclusive and sustainable** city program that works to achieve HIV epidemic control in Almaty

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Social Network Strategy (SNS) HIV Testing Approach Implementation in Almaty, Kazakhstan, from September 2021



Social Network Strategy (SNS): Key Results



5773

coupons distributed



2273

people tested



71

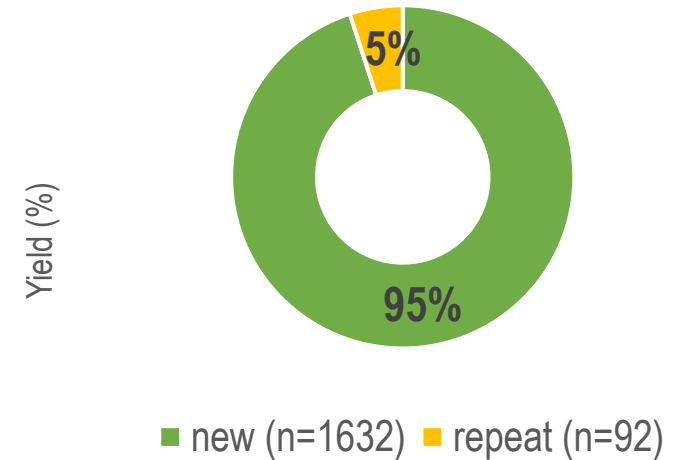
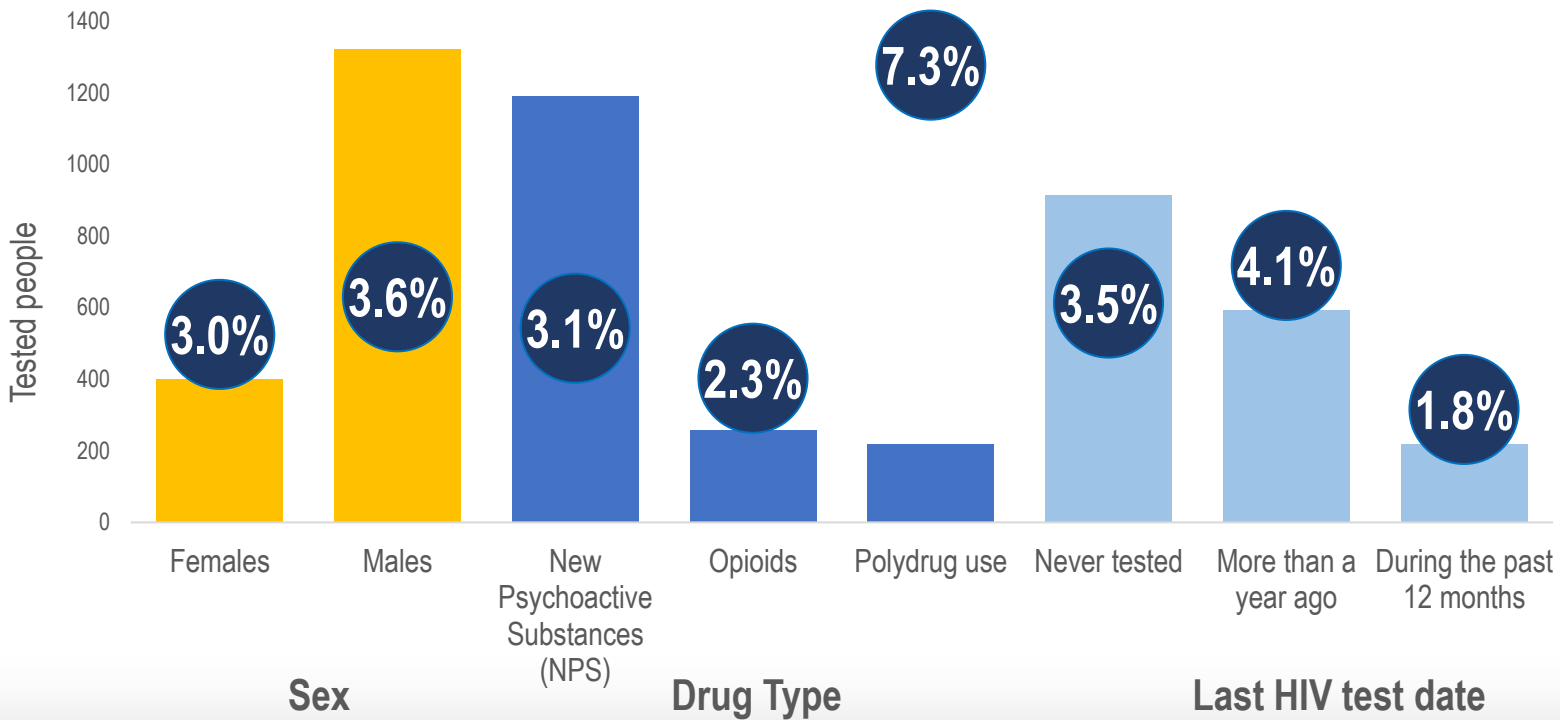
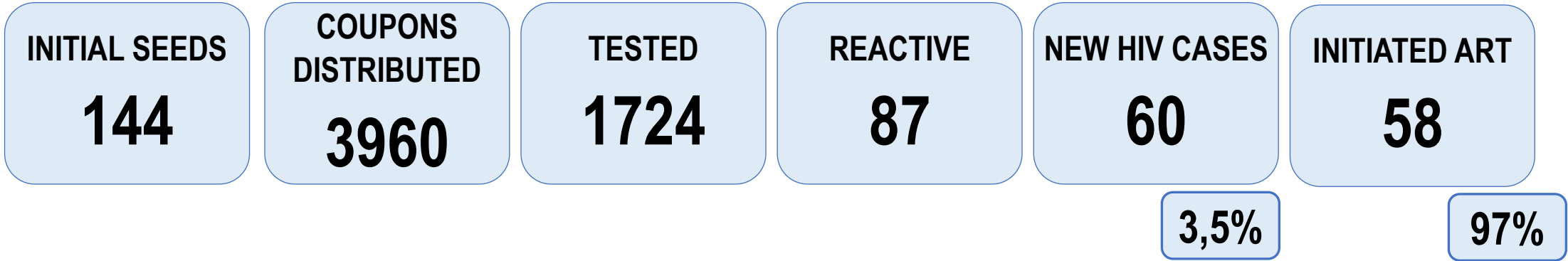
new HIV-positive

97% initiated on ART

September 1, 2021 – July 31, 2023

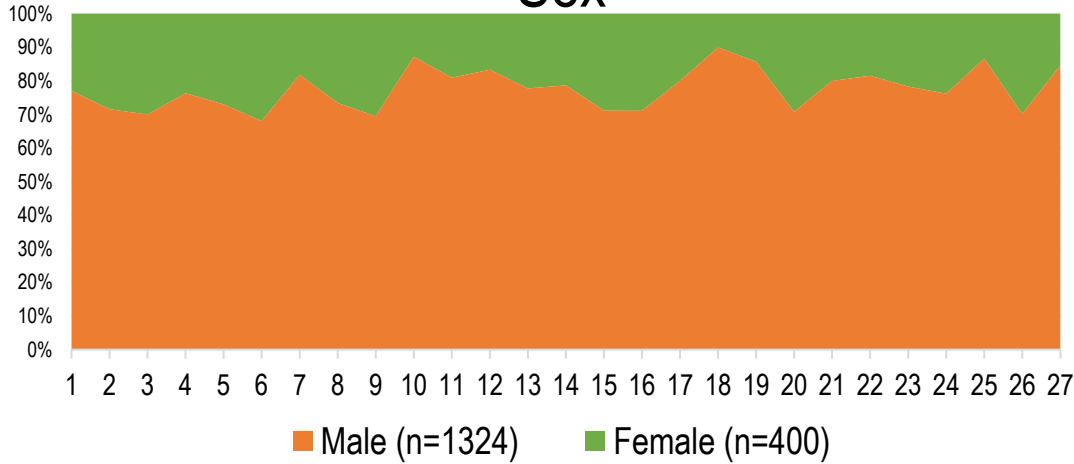


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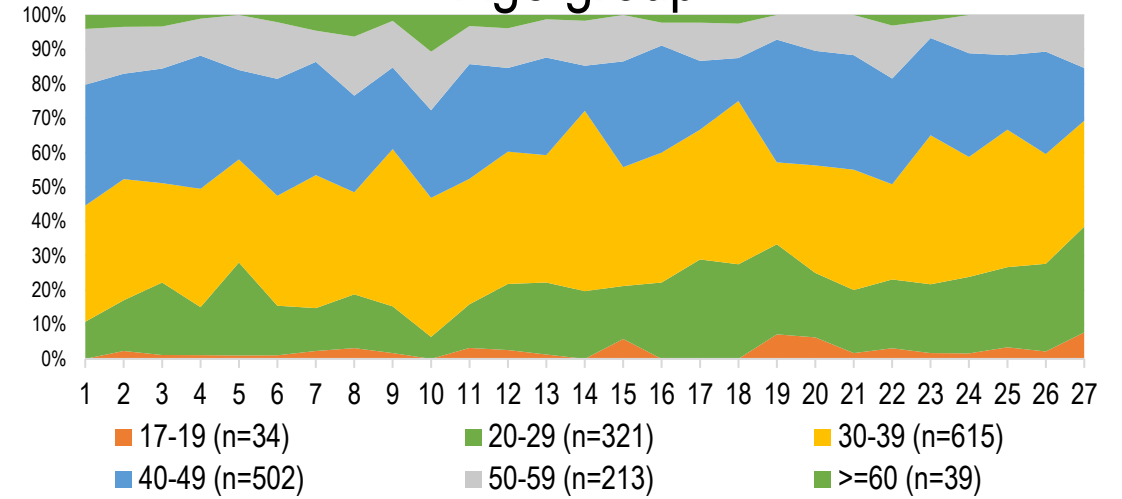


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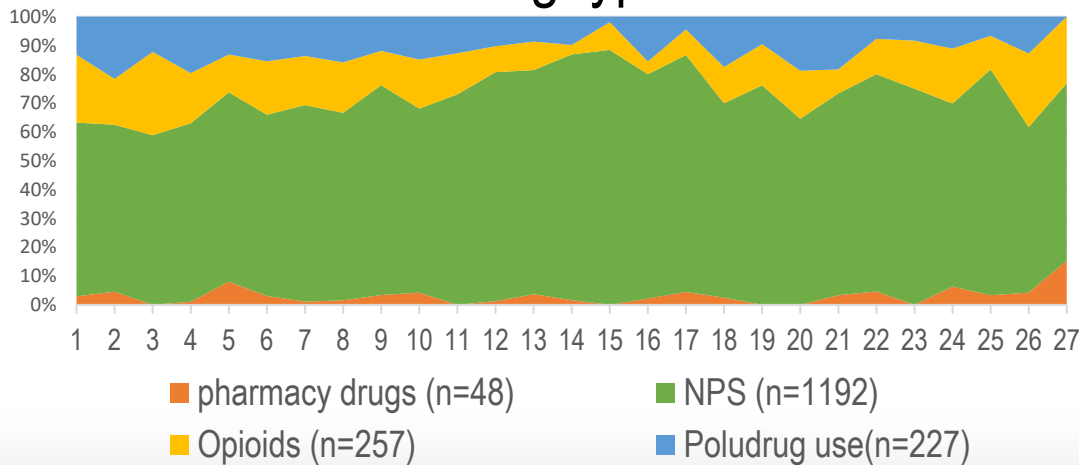
Sex



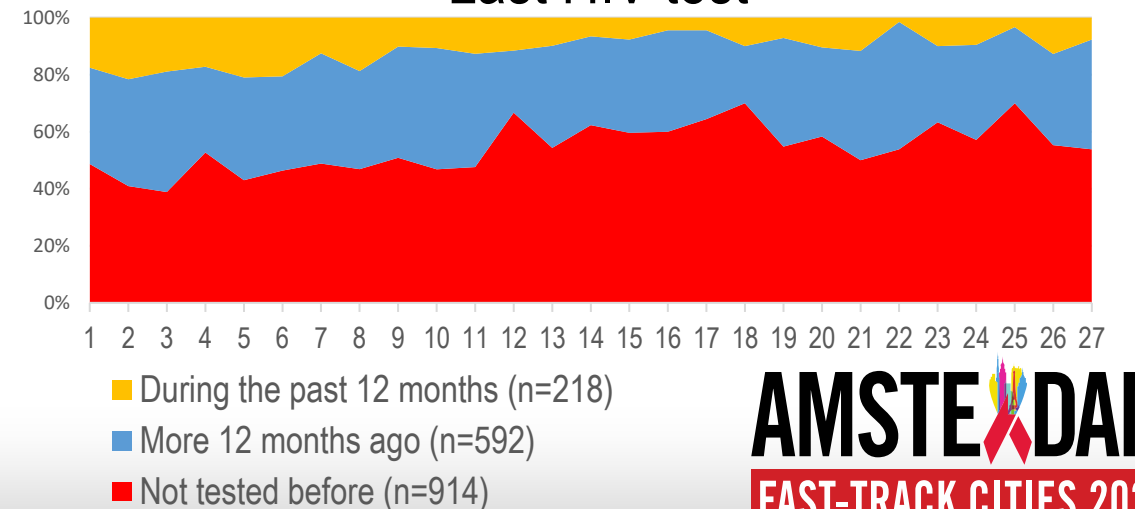
Age group



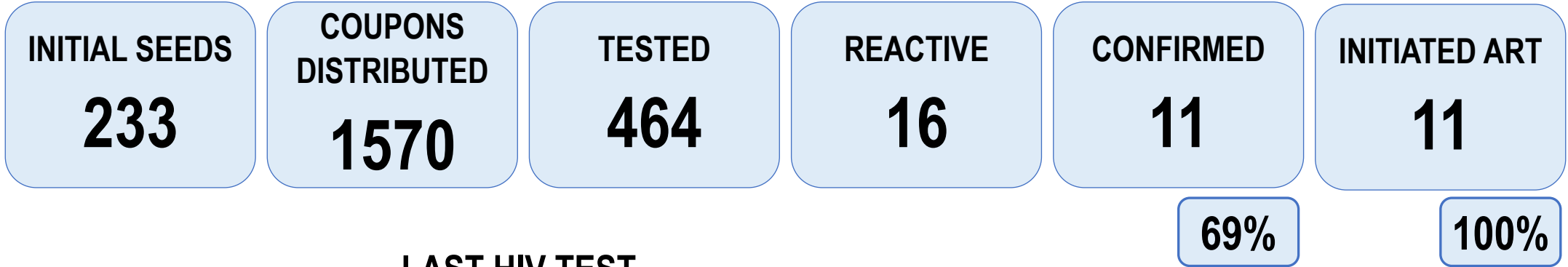
Drug type



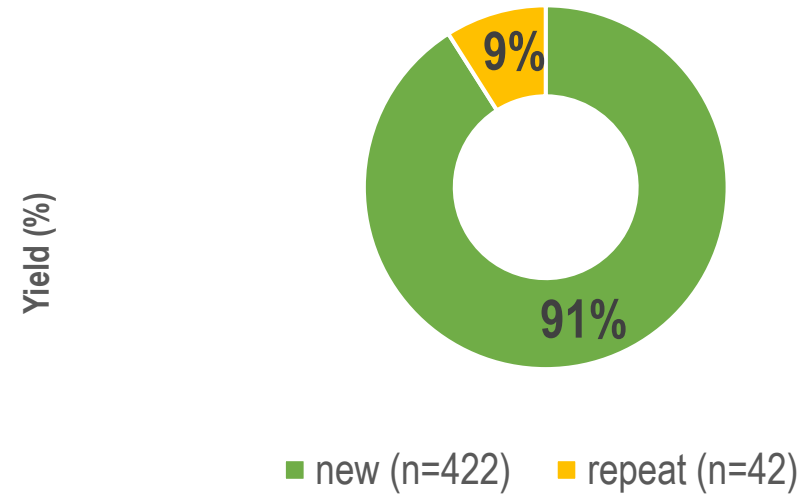
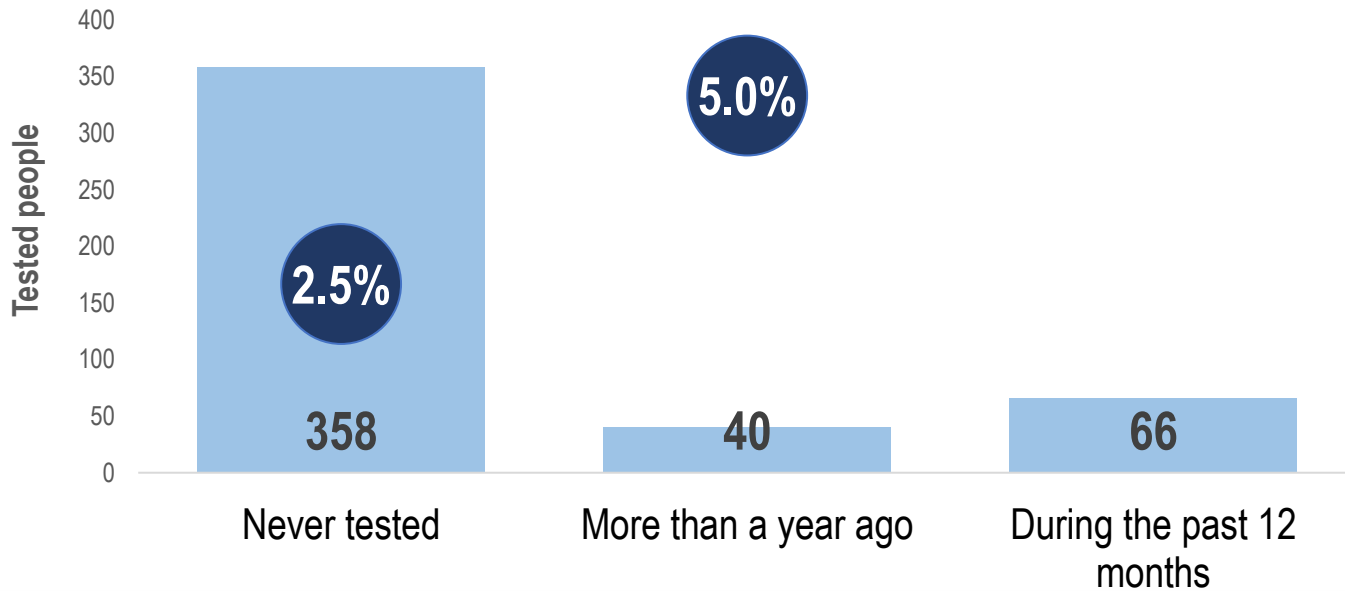
Last HIV test



SNS, MSM, March 2022 – July 2023

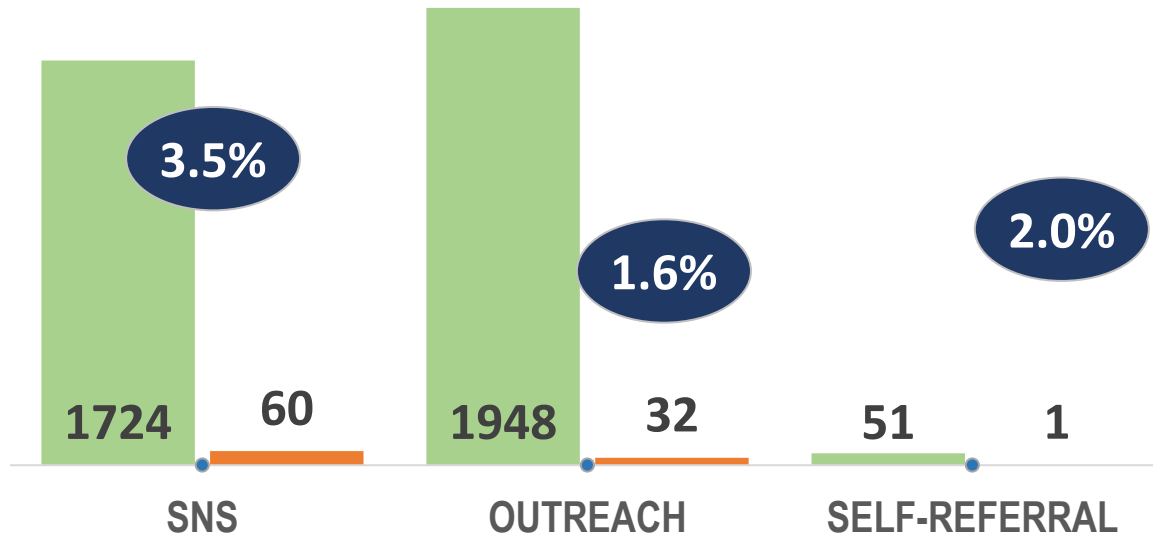


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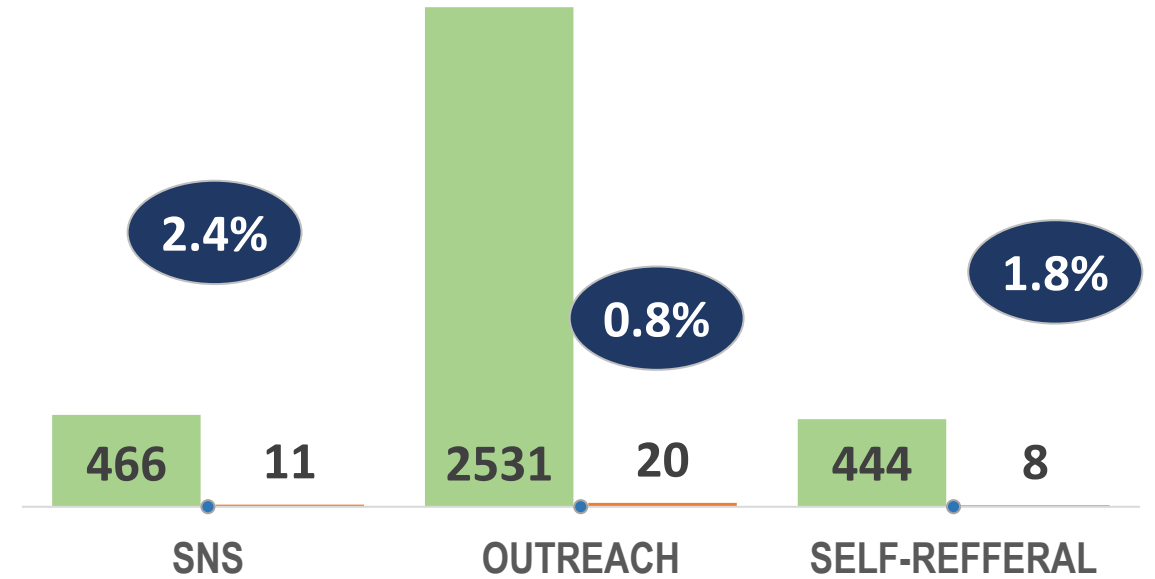


Percentage of new HIV cases by CBO testing modality

PWUD



MSM



■ Tested ■ # of new HIV positives ● Yield(%)

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Lessons learned

Status neutral HIV prevention and care

- ✓ SNS is effective at accessing hard-to-reach people, including people using NPS and first-time-testers
- ✓ Use of innovative technologies is important for addressing status neutral approach towards HIV prevention and care, and ensuring HIV diagnosis confirmation

Trust-based partnership

- ✓ CBO office at the AIDS Centre increases the effectiveness of the SNS HIV testing approach and strengthens the cooperation between the government healthcare service providers and CBOs

Quality monitoring and support

- ✓ Routine individual and group-level site management and CBO staff capacity building
- ✓ Development and implementation of tools that strengthen program decision-making



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