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Community-Based Organizations' Best Practices for HIV Comprehensive Prevention Services

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Who are we?

Established in 1993

Apoyo Positivo is a patient-led non-government organization that advocates for the rights and interests of people living with or affected by HIV and related co-infections in Spain.

There is 5 different community-centers by Apoyo Positivo in Spain: 3 in Madrid, 1 in Ourense and 1 in Torremolinos.

Training + 10.000 p/y

+ 6.000 HIV and STIs Testing p/y

Sexual health and well being counselling + 10.000 p/y

Main spheres of activity

Rights advocay

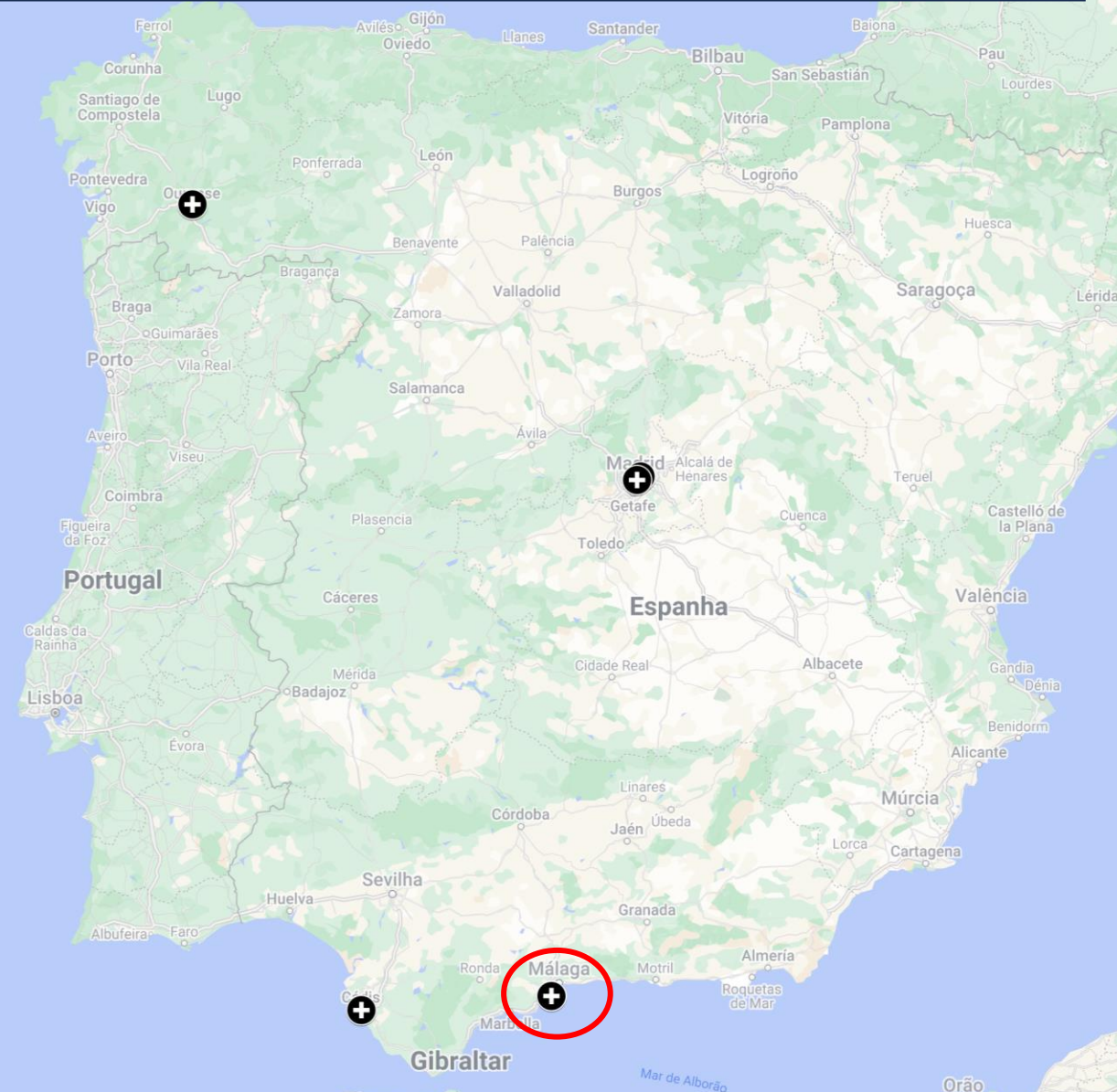
Healthcare

Education

Community research and development

Source: Apoyo Positivo reports. Disclaimer: FOCUS funding supports screening and linkage to care regardless of how providers manage subsequent care. FOCUS funding does not support activities beyond linkage to a first appointment.

Where are we?



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CASA is a network of community centers which aims to respond to challenges in sexual health and diversity through a **multidisciplinary bio-psycho-social framework** in a friendly and safe space. CASA community centers offer various programs and services in coordination with the public health system:



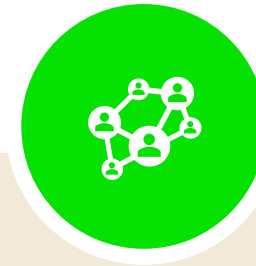
SEXUAL HEALTH CHECKPOINT

Comprehensive prevention services for HIV and other sexually transmitted infections focused on key populations: men who have sex with men, trans people, sex workers, migrants, people who use drugs including chemsex, women, youth.



PSYCHOSOCIAL CARE

Specialized psychosocial care, quality of life and well-being services, personal development, and alternative leisure.



SOCIAL ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Social and community entrepreneurship activities that complement the necessary care for those in vulnerable situations.

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WHAT are our results regarding linkage to comprehensive prevention services

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Testing services						
HIV AB Tests, n (Δ)	275	404 (+47%)	482(19%)	539(+12%)	588(+9%)	2,288
HIV+ AB Tests, n (%)	8 (2.91%)	10 (2.48%)	15(3.11%)	12(2.23%)	9(1.53%)	54(2.36%)
HBsAg Tests, n (Δ)	82	176 (+115%)	237(+35%)	169(-29%)	274(+62%)	938
HBsAg+ Tests+, n (%)	0 (0,00%)	1 (0.57%)	1(0.42%)	0(00%)	1(0.36%)	3(0.30%)
HCV Ab Tests, n (Δ)	129	247 (+92%)	450(+82%)	475(+6%)	573(+21%)	1,874
HCV+ AB Tests, n (%)	1(0.78%)	0 (0.00%)	2(0.44%)	0(00%)	1(0.17%)	4(0.21%)
Syphilis tests, n (Δ)	214	347(+62%)	381(+10%)	439(+15%)	501(+14%)	1,882
Syphilis tests, n (%)	5 (2.34%)	8 (2.30%)	8(2.10%)	15(3.42%)	21(+4.19%)	57(3.03%)

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	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Total
Comprehensive prevention services						
Sexual Health counselling sessions, n (Δ)	596	654(+10)	704(+8)	874(+24%)	1,680 (+92%)	4,508
Harm reduction counselling sessions, n (Δ)	87	142(+63%)	183(+29%)	197(+8%)	242(+23%)	851
TasP counselling sessions, n (Δ)	18	29(+61%)	36(+24%)	25(-31%)	43(+72%)	151
Prep counselling sessions, n (Δ)	-	31	167(+439%)	390(+134%)	258(-34%)	846
Prep Linkage to care, n (%)	-	31(100%)	146(87%)	285 (73%)	167(65%)	629(74%)

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Key Challenges

-  Upward trend in local Chemsex use
-  Need to reach more women and trans people
-  Adaptation to migrants' needs
-  Dealing with stigma and discrimination
-  Dependence on hospital response times
-  Hospital reluctance to receive direct referrals
-  Securing government funding

Source: author opinion.

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Thank You

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