

What's New?

COMBINATION PREVENTION F2F MEETING

In May 2024, ahead of the GA, the CP Committee met in Frankfurt to review the past year and **improve planning for the coming years**. The next steps include improving transparency and member engagement, synergies with other programmes and members & staff roles. CP Members **presented their work at national level** to share good practices and failures to learn from each other. The Committee identified the following priorities for its programme of work: **U-U and late diagnosis; women & PrEP and STIs; vaccines and screening**.

2 COMBINATION PREVENTION TASK GROUPS: STIS AND PREP

The Committee has established two **2 programming tasks groups**. One addresses STIs beyond HIV: on **technical aspects of STI testing and biomedical prevention methods**. It will aim to enhance community knowledge and the development of community positions. The group will aim to develop an informational leaflet on DoxyPEP and an EATG position.

The second group is called **PrEPmyvagina** (or PrEPmyV). It considers lower levels of awareness and **access among certain sub-groups that could benefit from PrEP** as part of combination prevention. Funding permitting, the task group advises to continue the webinars for community educators on the biomedical prevention pipeline, a quick needs assessment to identify barriers in knowledge at community level; and a workshop with community workers, health workers, and social workers.

5-5-5 ZONE - WE WON'T BE LEFT BEHIND! AT AIDS 2024 CONFERENCE

EATG together with AIDS Action Europe (AAE) and Correlation - European Harm Reduction Network (C-EHRN) is organising the **"5-5-5 Zone - We won't be left behind!"** at the Global Village during the AIDS 2024 Conference. The "5-5-5 - We won't be left behind!" zone will examine gaps and solutions to achieve the 95% targets, and **how to reach the remaining 5%** with a focus on the WHO European region. The zone will provide space for community organisations to organise sessions around 5 themes: **Mobility and HIV; Sexuality and sex positive approaches; Well-being, quality of life and mental health; Substance use and harm reduction and Blind spots in the HIV response**.

Want to stay up to date with CORE?

CORE Knowledge Hub is kicking off!



Check out [here](#) the recording and slides from WHO speakers providing an update on **"The HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STIs Testing and Diagnostics Landscape"**. It includes recommendations to modernise testing algorithms to expand screening and for prompt linkage to care and addresses Western Blot testing in the context of other effective and cheaper options to confirm an HIV diagnosis.

Register [here](#) for the upcoming webinar on **"Gender Transformative Services: What's that all about?"** on 19 June at 14:00 CET.

Meet the CP Member: Louise Wallace

Who is Louise Wallace in a nutshell?

Louise was born in London. She enjoys cooking vegan food, climbing, and the beach. She divides her time between the UK and Romania. With 30 years in local government and domestic abuse charities, she is the founder of Aunty Lou's House. She is a speaker, yoga teacher, intersectional coach & podcast host. She advocates for neurodivergent awareness. She hopes to work collaboratively with members of the Combination Prevention Committee.

What are your expectations from joining the Combination Prevention Committee?

I am eager to work with CP. By connecting with other European activists and sharing our experiences, we can collaboratively build a Europe where everyone has the right to protect themselves and access every prevention tool available. Together, we can work towards achieving zero HIV infections.

SAVE THE DATE: EVENTS & CONFERENCES

- **The Living Conference**, 23-26 July, Munich, Germany.
- **AIDS 2024 Conference**, 23-26 July, Munich, Germany.
- **Unite! Advocate! Thrive! Global Trans Conference**, 20-21 July, Munich, Germany.
- **European Health Policy Forum**, 24-27 September, Austria.
- **HIV4P 2024, the 5th HIV Research for Prevention Conference**, 6-10 October, Lima, and online.
- **International Conference on Health and Hepatitis in Substance Users**, 8-11 October, Athens.
- **Fast-Track Cities Conference**, 13-15 October, Paris.
- **HIV Glasgow**, 10-13 November.
- **Autumn European Testing Week**, 18-25 November.
- **European Public Health Association Conference**, 13-15 November, Lisbon.
- **CORE World AIDS Day event**, 1 December, Warsaw.
- **European Harm Reduction Conference**, 2-4 December, Warsaw, Poland.



EATG Member since **2024**, Louise is a member of the **Combination Prevention & Quality of Life Programme Committee**.