



Training on HIVST on HIVST for ART/CAW/AC team in Partner Notification Tracking and Testing approach at ART services, from August 28-29 and 30-31, 2023

Kampong Chhnang province



NCHADS conducted two batches of training on HIV Self-Testing for ART/CAW/AC team in Partner Notification Tracking and Testing approach at Kampong Chhnang Provinces, benefiting a total of 110 healthcare provider and NGO partners included NCHADS and EpiC/FHI360. on August 28-29 for the first batch and August 30-31, 2023 for the second batch, with technical support from EpiC-FHI360 and funding from DFAT through UNAIDS Cambodia. The objective Provide guidance to ART health providers, including CAW / CAA, on self-testing Partner Notification Tracking and Testing approach at ART site. The training started with following remarks from Dr. Chea Chan Kosal

Mony, Chief of VCCT Unit of National Center for HIV/AIDS, Dermatology and STI (NCHADS) presided over the opening training session and Dr. Lim Leang Ngoun, the director of Provincial Health Department.

A total of 110 (60 are females) from two courses of training consist of PHD, provincial AIDS and STI program (PASP), ART team leader, clinician, counselor, Lab, VCCT, data clerk, outreach worker, and CAW/AC from selected health providers from 4 provinces with 8 referral hospitals such as Kampong Thom Province (2RH=Kampong Thom, Baray Santok), Pausat province(3RH=Pausat, Bakan, and Kravagn), Tbnong Khom province (2RH=Tbnog Khom and Memot),and Pailine province (1HR= Pailin) including CAW, CAC from CRS.



There were six main presentations presented at the training, 1) refresh the eight steps of Partner Notification, tracing, and Testing, 2) an overview of HIVST-PNTT guidance note 3) updating the HIVST, testing procedure and testing flow, 4) Motional Counselling and group practice by Mrs. Nith Sopha, EpiC-FHI360 5) HIVST test performance and practicing, 6) Record and reporting forms, and by the end of the training Provincial workplan discussion by Mrs. Nith Sopha.



The two training courses on the HIV Self-Testing Implementation for Health Providers in PNTT service at ART sites have been very successful in updating attendees on the situation of HIV testing, HIVST distribution flow, follow up and link indext partner to care service is they are positive HIV or if they are negative will link to PrEP service. More intertesting for participants is MC skills that they feel ist the new skills for improve their counseling skills. These interactions included the sharing of best practices for counseling among the CAA team regarding the current PNTT-HIVST implementation, with a focus on partner elicitation for patients who had recently received a diagnosis, as well as

cooperation with CBO who are collaborating with KPs for additional counseling and follow-up. The sharing lessons learned, and having group discussions on the gaps and future directions for case finding. Additionally, it addressed how ART-VCCT counselors might enhance their counseling abilities to support patients with partner elicitation. The ART-VCC management team and healthcare providers value the data collection form, report, and data use. The positive interactions between the facilitators and participants during the training were another positive outcome. (1st team: for pre-tests core 7% poor, 50% is average, and 5% is excellence, for post-test the excellence score is increased to 23.82% and 2nd team: for pre-tests core 5% poor, 12% is average, and 8% is excellence, for post-test the excellence score is increased to 34.92%.

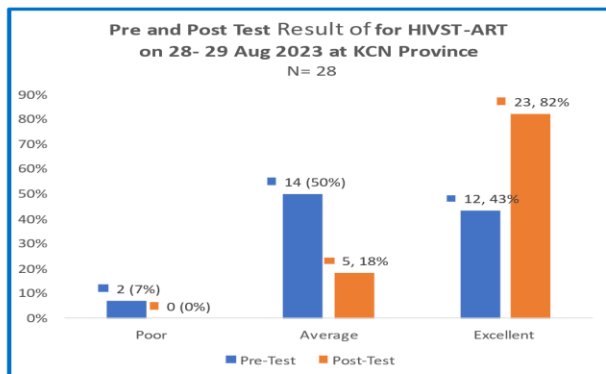


Result of Group discussion

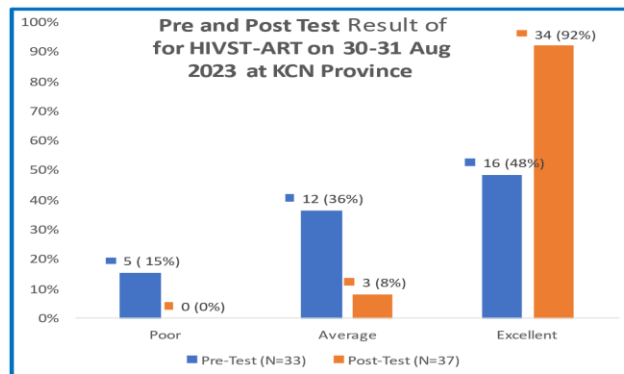
Issue	Resolution	Responsible	Time
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patient lost follow up Missing and miss appointment, • Some patient have move to live other province, • change telephone number 	Strengthen counseling and conduct home visit Cooperate with authorities and partner testing.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ART counselor , and team leader - CAA, CWC - SBO partner 	- September 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The patient does not dare to tell the truth to the partner • some partner is living out of the province. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encouraging index partner to negotiation with their partner or use HIVST to test. - Explain the advantages of PNTT service, M=M of ATR treatment - Negotiate through social media or by phone 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ART counselor , and team leader - CAA, CWC - SBO partner 	September 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The partner of index is hidden • Patients do not accept their HIV status • Patients fear violence • Patients do not fully understand HIVST 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Encourage them index partner to discuss with their partner. - Promote M=M message - Conduct home visit and promote HIVST at communities and health facility. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - ART team 	September 2023
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The patient does not dare to tell his partner that he has HIV+ • Migration partners • Index patient have with multiple partners loses relationship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promote HIVST to test with their partner through provide the 4 option or social media social media • Provide counseling them to be babrve and encourages their partner to Ask the patient to identify who is closest and who is in a relationship 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ART counselor , and team leader • CAA, CWC • CBO partner 	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Patients do not have a clear address • Hide partners and family • Migrating with multiple partners • Partner does not recognize his partner's test results 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue to provide counseling to patients on testing tips for timely treatment if the partner is positive and protected against infection if negative Let him contact his partner on his own and help advise his partner over the phon 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ART counselor , and team leader • CAA, CWC • CBO partner 	



Pre-post test



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