

## Transgender people and HIV

### Introduction to this survey

This survey aims to collect **expert opinion on key issues relating to transgender people and HIV**. Results from this survey will inform the design of values and preferences interviews among transgender people, which will be conducted as part of developing WHO consolidated HIV guidance for key populations.

This survey should take around **10 minutes** to complete and consists of the following **five sections**:

- 1) Terminology
- 2) Risk groups
- 3) Risk factors
- 4) Strategies and enabling factors
- 5) Optional: other key issues

For the purpose of this survey, the following definitions will be used:

**Transgender women\*:** People who were assigned 'male' at birth and have a feminine gender identity and or/feminine expression.

**Transgender men\*:** People who were assigned 'female' at birth and have a male gender identity and or/masculine expression.

*Most questions refer specifically to either transgender women\* or transgender men\*, so please note this difference while responding to each question. Questions are kept broad and are meant to capture **general trends at a global scale**.*

### Basic respondent information

**\* 1. Please note: your personal information will be anonymous to all other respondents and will be kept confidential.**

Name:

Organisation:

Duty Station/Country:

Email Address:

### Terminology

Which terms do you consider most appropriate to describe the various groups of transgender people? (*multiple answers possible*)

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**2. People who were assigned 'male' at birth and have a female gender identity and/or feminine expression:**

Transgender woman

Trans woman

Male to female

Other (please specify)

**3. People who were assigned 'female' at birth and have a male gender identity and/or masculine expression:**

Transgender man

Trans man

Female to male

Other (please specify)

**4. Are there other categories of transgender/ gender variant people that should be considered with regard to HIV vulnerability? (please specify and define)**

**Risk groups**

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**\* 5. Which level of HIV risk do you associate with each group of transgender persons?**

**Please check:**

	Very high-risk	High-risk	Low-risk	No risk
Transgender women*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender women* who are sex workers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men* who are sex workers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender women* who inject recreational drugs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men* who inject recreational drugs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adolescent transgender women*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Adolescent transgender men*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify and type level of associated risk)

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### Risk factors

The following questions focus on issues that potentially make transgender women\* and transgender men\* more vulnerable to HIV infection.

For each question, please give your opinion on how important/relevant you feel each issue is in terms of putting **transgender women\*** and **transgender men\*** at **increased risk of HIV infection?**

**6. Sexual risks – Transgender WOMEN\***

	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Multiple sex partners	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inconsistent condom use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unprotected receptive anal intercourse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual intercourse under the influence of substances	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sex work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

Other (please specify and type importance ranking)

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<b>7. Sexual risks – Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Multiple sex partners	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inconsistent condom use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Unprotected receptive anal intercourse	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual intercourse under the influence of substances	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sex work	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sexual violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>8. Injecting risks – Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Injecting drug use (of recreational drugs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-injecting drug use (of recreational drugs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Injecting hormone use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Injecting silicon use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>9. Injecting risks – Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Injecting drug use (of recreational drugs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Non-injecting drug use (of recreational drugs)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Injecting hormone use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Injecting silicon use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				

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10. Transitioning – Transgender WOMEN*				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Sexual reassignment surgery (SRS) procedures carried out in non-registered/non-medically supervised settings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Interactions between cross gender hormone therapy (CGHT) and anti-retroviral treatment (ART)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post-operative complications and infections (among transgender women* who have undergone SRS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
11. Transitioning – Transgender MEN*				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Sexual reassignment surgery (SRS) procedures carried out in non-registered/non-medically supervised settings	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Interactions between cross gender hormone therapy (CGHT) and anti-retroviral treatment (ART)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Vaginal dryness and associated risk of injury (among non/pre-operative transgender men* taking hormones)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post-operative complications and infections (among transgender men* who have undergone SRS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				

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<b>12. Access to prevention programs and health services - Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Lack of transgender women* specific health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discrimination of transgender women* by health workers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of tailored HIV prevention and treatment programs for transgender women*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low levels of HIV related knowledge among transgender women*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low levels of HIV testing (and resulting knowledge of HIV status)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low demand for health services by transgender women* (as a result of discrimination and perceived lack of services)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>13. Access to prevention programs and health services - Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Lack of transgender men* specific health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discrimination of transgender men* by health workers	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of tailored HIV prevention and treatment programs for transgender men*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low levels of HIV related knowledge among transgender men*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low levels of HIV testing (and resulting knowledge of HIV status)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low demand for health services by transgender men* (as a result of discrimination and perceived lack of services)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				

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<b>14. Socio-economic risks - Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Economic marginalization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Homelessness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Social isolation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physical abuse and violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discrimination from and limited access to education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low prioritisation of HIV amongst other competing health needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and add importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>15. Socio-economic risks - Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Economic marginalization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Homelessness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Social isolation	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Physical abuse and violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Discrimination from and limited access to education	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Low prioritisation of HIV amongst other competing health needs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and add importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>16. Structural Barriers - Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Transphobia, stigma and discrimination	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Criminalization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of legal recognition of gender status	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Incarceration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and add importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				

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<b>17. Structural barriers – Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Transphobia, stigma and discrimination	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Criminalization	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Lack of legal recognition of gender status	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Incarceration	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>18. Co-morbidities – Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
STI co-infections	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
TB	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
HBV	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
HCV	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>19. Co-morbidities – Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
STI co-infections	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Mental health problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
TB	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
HBV	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
HCV	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>Strategies and enabling factors</b>				
<p>The following questions focus on <b>transgender-specific strategies</b> to address HIV vulnerabilities. Other strategies are already universally recommended for all key populations, including transgender people. These include condom programming, testing and counseling, treatment, prevention and control of sexually transmitted infections, needle and syringe programming, opioid substitution treatment and others.</p> <p>Which of the following are <b>important strategies for addressing HIV vulnerabilities</b> among <b>transgender women*</b> and <b>transgender men*</b> specifically?</p>				



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<b>20. ART related prevention – Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Early initiation of ART for all transgender women*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Early initiation of ART for serodiscordant couples	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>21. ART related prevention – Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Early initiation of ART for all transgender men*	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Early initiation of ART for serodiscordant couples	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>22. Health service provision and delivery – Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Transgender women*-specific behavior change counseling and information	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender women*-specific facility-based health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender women*-specific facility-based outreach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender women*-specific safe spaces (drop-in centers)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender women*-specific community-based (peer) outreach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender women*-specific social media interventions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				

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<b>23. Health service provision and delivery - Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Transgender men*-specific behavior change counseling and information	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men*-specific facility-based health services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men*-specific facility-based outreach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men*-specific safe spaces (drop-in centers)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men*-specific community-based (peer) outreach	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Transgender men*-specific social media interventions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>24. Transgender-specific interventions - Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Cross gender hormone therapy (CGHT)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sex reassignment surgery (SRS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>25. Transgender-specific interventions - Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Cross gender hormone therapy (CGHT)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sex reassignment surgery (SRS)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				

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<b>26. Structural interventions – Transgender WOMEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Community empowerment and peer-led support interventions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Creation of an enabling environment for transgender people (non-discrimination laws, policies and legislation)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inclusion of transgender women* in research and clinical trials for HIV prevention and treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>27. Structural interventions – Transgender MEN*</b>				
	Very important	Moderately important	Unimportant	Uncertain
Community empowerment and peer-led support interventions	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Creation of an enabling environment for transgender people (non-discrimination laws, policies and legislation)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inclusion of transgender men* in research and clinical trials for HIV prevention and treatment	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Other (please specify and type importance ranking)				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>Key issues for HIV among transgender people.</b>				
<b>28. Please add any other important topics/issues which were not covered or any other points which you would like to raise? (optional)</b>				
<input type="text"/>				
<b>Thank you for participating in Round 1 of the "transgender people and HIV" ...</b>				

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Your responses will help ensure that the most important topics are covered in the values and preferences interviews with transgender people.

You will be contacted again in the following weeks with an **invitation to participate in the Round 2** of this survey.

Please contact consultant Mira Schneiders ([schneidersm@who.int](mailto:schneidersm@who.int)) with any further questions.