

WRHA Population and Public Health
 Healthy Sexuality and Harm Reduction (HSHR)
 Program Monitoring Report: January 1 – December 31, 2015

1. Number and types of harm reduction supplies distributed and recovered

	2015 Current Year	2014 Previous Year	Year-to-year Change
Needles Distributed	888,766	651,553	136%
Needles Collected	555,670	436,011	127%
SCUKs Distributed	33,877	33,079	102%

2. Number of sexually-transmitted and blood-borne infection (STBBI) tests performed—and results—in Street Connections van, office and other outreach venues

The following tests were performed by *Street Connections* ONLY, according to the statistics sheets completed by staff.

	Serology				Urine	Swabs
	<i>HIV</i>	<i>Syphilis</i>	<i>HCV</i>	<i>Other</i>	<i>NAAT</i>	
2015 (current year)	171	149	148	87	126	4
2014 (previous year)	192	181	185	50*	128	1

**Indicated in the 2014 report as 41 prenatal blood tests, and 9 'other.' No longer differentiated in 2015.*

Results – ALL of HSHR outreach (Street Connections, Corrections, bath house outreach, and PHN investigations)

	<i>Syphilis</i>	<i>HIV</i>	<i>GC/CT/HCV</i>	TOTAL
2015 (current year)	4	4	202	210
2014 (previous year)	3	3	106	112

3. 'Other health care' services provided by Street Connections, evening and daytime

Includes immunisations, giving results, TB sputum, wound care, antibiotic tx, and referrals: 193 services.

4. Number of 'bad dates and street hassles' (reports of violence, threats and risk of violence to sex workers) collected

Two 'Bad Dates' and one 'street hassle' were collected by staff. All were reported by female-identified individuals and appeared in the *Street Connections* newsletter.

5. Number of prenatal clients

Forty-seven (47) pregnancy tests were conducted. Prenatal blood tests are no longer tracked separately, but are included in 'Other' serology tests (see question 2, above).

6. Number of group education sessions and attendance

HSHR staff (outreach workers and PHNs) animated 46 groups—to university groups, residential facilities, youth centres, etc.—and reached 1075 participants.

7. Number of Street Connections website views

In its first full year of operation, the StreetConnections.ca website received 16,902 page views by 5,743 unique visitors.

8. Number of HIV point of care/rapid tests administered and results

One hundred and forty-nine (149) POC tests were administered, with three reactive tests. This results in a percent-positivity of 2%. This is 100x higher than the province-wide percent-positivity of 0.2%, and higher than the 2014 percent-positivity of 0.8% (1/123).

9. Advocacy, partnership, community development activity

This year, HSHR:

Advocacy

- Authored a revision to the WRHA's *Harm Reduction Position Statement*.
- Organised and presented [Sex and STigma Matters](#), a conference on STBBIs and stigma.
- Advocated and organized to launch a (provincially-supported) [take-home naloxone program](#) for clients.
- Staff and leadership participated in a number of community and intersectoral consultations.

Partnerships

- Funded the *Artsspace* project at [Sunshine House](#), supporting the House as a centre for art and recreation, as well as Sunshine House's *Like That* initiative, a recreation-as-prevention project aimed at urban queer communities.
- Funded *Totally Outright*, a sexual health ambassadors training program at the [Rainbow Resource Centre](#).
- Funded community safer sex supplies distribution through Klinik.
- Funded a sexual health program for the Afro-Francophone community at [SERC](#).
- Collaborated with community and government partners on a strategy to confront [Winnipeg's syphilis outbreak](#).

Community development

- Worked with ethnocultural communities from countries where HIV is endemic to develop workshops of relevance to community members in Winnipeg.

10. Number of 'opened' (HSHR staff are making active efforts to notify them) contacts per disease

2377 contacts were pursued by HSHR in 2015, 60 fewer than in 2014. Note that these do not include contacts for whom we have insufficient information to pursue, and who therefore are not entered into the database.

<i>HIV</i>	<i>Syphilis</i>	<i>Hepatitis C</i>	<i>Gonorrhea</i>	<i>Chlamydia</i>	TOTAL
119	270	39	340	1609	2377

11. Social marketing

In 2015, HSHR launched 'Protect Yourself From What You Can't See,' a chlamydia-awareness and condom-promotion campaign targeted at Winnipeg youth aged 17-21 years.

The campaign resulted in a 119.26% increase in visitors to GetSomeCondoms.com – 33,853 (2015) vs the previous year 15,440 (2014). A more detailed evaluation can be found here:

<http://www.wrha.mb.ca/extranet/publichealth/files/services/healthy-sexuality/2015Campaign2.pdf>.

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