

Promoting Sexual Health with Non-Traditional Partners #25686

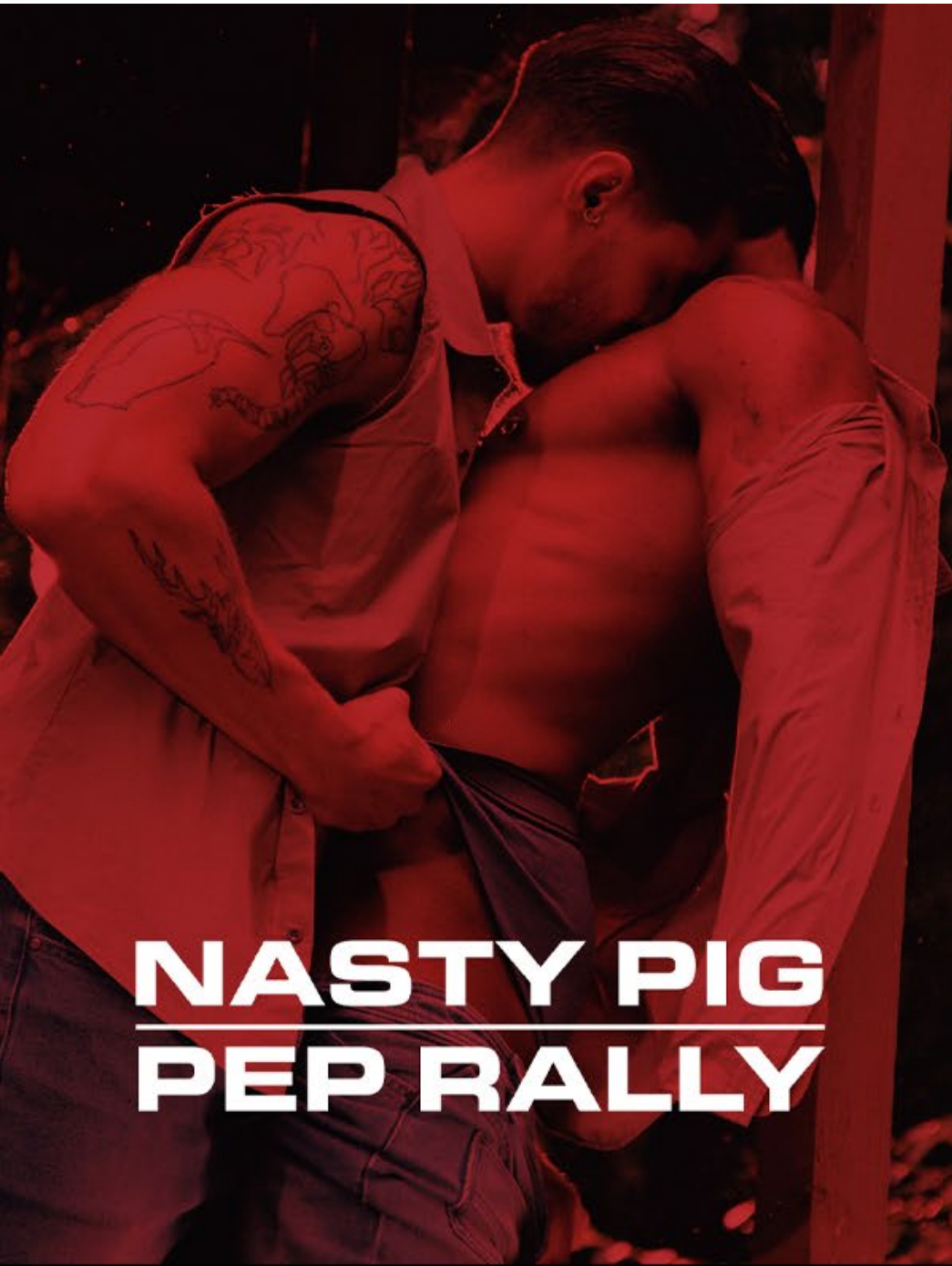


Background

Doxycycline post-exposure prophylaxis (DoxyPEP) is a preventative treatment for chlamydia, syphilis, and gonorrhea proven effective for men who have sex with men (MSM) and transgender women (TGW) meeting certain criteria. DC Health partners with various groups to promote the use of DoxyPEP at large social events with the support of community partners. Mid-Atlantic Leather Weekend (MAL) is an annual 3-day fetish event catering to thousands of gay, bisexual, and other men who have sex with men (GBMSM) held in Washington, DC.; DC Black Pride is the longest running Black Pride in the nation, hosts thousands of Black and other People of Color in a celebration of the strong Black LGBTQIA+ community over a long Memorial Day weekend in DC; and Capital Pride, Washington DC’s traditional pride weekend, celebrated festival style. DoxyPEP education and starter packs were provided to interested MAL, Black Pride and Capital Pride attendees as a bacterial sexually transmitted infection (STI) prevention intervention. For MAL, DC Health also partnered with Nasty Pig, to create a “PEP Rally” that drew very large crowds. For this event, the DoxyPEP was given in a sleek, black Nasty Pig box specially designed for this event.

Methods

At each event, clinicians provided STI education and counseling, took brief medical histories, and dispensed six 100 mg tablets of Doxycycline (3 doses of DoxyPEP). Name, date of birth, and limited contact information were obtained to establish clinical care for those receiving DoxyPEP. A 5-question follow-up survey was sent via text a month after MAL to assess DoxyPEP knowledge, behaviors, and subsequent STI diagnoses.



Attending MAL this weekend?

Check in with the Nasty Pig Crew to find out about DoxyPEP, a treatment recently approved by the CDC to prevent the spread of STIs. If you want to learn more about DoxyPEP, we've arranged to have the DC Department of Health on site to provide you education and information in a safe and stigma free environment. If you're interested in and eligible to take DoxyPEP you'll receive a free short term supply from the DC Department of Health in a custom Nasty Pig box.

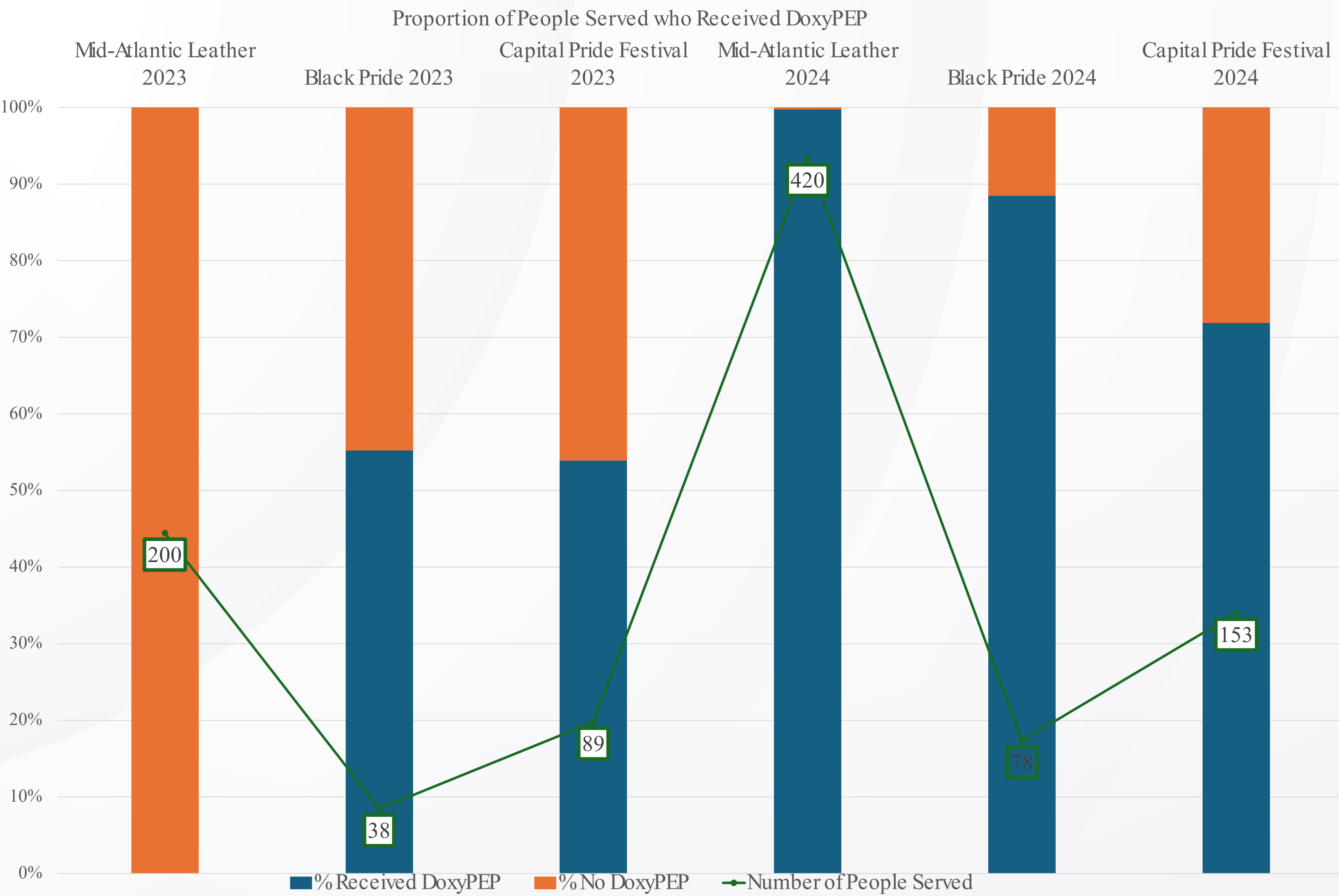
WHERE:
Mid Atlantic Leather
Hyatt Regency Hotel
400 New Jersey Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C.

WHEN:
Friday, January 12th 2:30pm to 9pm
Saturday, January 13th 10am to 4pm

Want to learn more about DoxyPEP?
[CLICK HERE](#)

Results

Community Event	Mid-Atlantic Leather		Black Pride		Capital Pride Festival	
Year	2023	2024	2023	2024	2023	2024
People Served	200	420	38	78	89	153
Mpox Doses	105	13	16	9	53	67
#Mpox Dose1	67	13	12	4	53	59
#Mpox Dose2	38	0	4	5	0	8
DoxyPEP Packs	0	419	21	69	48	110
Rapid Covid Tests	16	0	2	0	1	0
Rapid HIV Tests	36	0	14	1	2	6
Narcan Doses	0	110	0	0	0	0
Fentanyl Test Strips	0	200	0	0	0	0



DoxyPEP - How to Take

Two 100 mg pills of doxycycline ideally within 24 hours (but no later than 72 hours) after condomless oral, anal or vaginal sex.

= sex without a condom, including oral sex

Example 1A: Sex on Saturday - take dose of doxy within 24 hours (or at least by Tuesday).

Example 1B: Sex on Thursday - take dose of doxy within 24 hours (or at least by Sunday).

Example 2: Daily (or more) sex Saturday - Tuesday; take daily dose of doxy and last dose within 24 hours but not later than 72 hours after last sex

No more than 200 mg every 24 hours

For more information, contact DC Health and Wellness Center Monday thru Friday, except holidays, during normal business hours at 202-741-7692. If you are experiencing side effects, or if you think you might have symptoms of an STI, please stop your DoxyPEP and call 202-741-7692. Don't forget to continue routine STI screenings and ask us about PrEP for HIV Prevention! For emergencies, please dial 911.