Before the Cell Door Opens

HIV Prevention as Part of a Re-entry Program
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Learning Objectives

By the end of this session, participants will be able to:

• Explain the need for HIV prevention education as part of the re-entry process from correctional institutions.
• Learn how to contact the appropriate state or local officials and initiate a program of HIV prevention for incarcerated individuals who are nearing release from prison.
• Describe and develop interventions that have been effective in fostering the interest and enthusiastic participation of inmates who enroll in this re-entry curriculum.
Sixteenth Street Community Health Center

- Located in Milwaukee, WI
- Most densely populated zip code in WI
- Urban FQHC
- Serves 30,000 patients
- >80% of patients are Latino
- Patients deal with issues related to language, poverty, literacy, culture, unemployment, immigration
- HIV Department is totally grant-funded
- Staff of 12 includes 3 HIV-specialist physicians
Why the Interest?

- Staff member attended conference
- Many in target population incarcerated
- Incidence of HIV increasing
- Large correctional facility in the area
- Some funders see this as a service gap
Do Some Research

- Local or State facility?
- Do HIV prevention programs exist?
- What information is being provided?
- Is information available in Spanish?
Some Answers

- Jail vs Prison – length of stay
- Internet showed programs in some states
- Content of programs varied
- Progressive re-entry programs in WI
Next Steps

- Decided on state prison system
- Contacted DOC Re-entry Director
- Met with DOC administration
- Stated our intent
- Shocked we didn’t want $$
- Very willing to have us participate
- They suggested specific facility
First Trip to the Prison

- Facility has high Latino population
- 25 miles from our clinic
- ESL teacher developed re-entry curriculum
- Inmate participation is voluntary
- Six modules
- No HIV/STD prevention in Health module
Our Involvement

- Every six weeks
- Two HIV staff travel to prison
- Prevention sessions 2 weeks in a row
  - HIV
  - STDs
- Interactive – in Spanish
- 30 men per session
“Advertising”

- ESL teacher spread the word
- Posters in classrooms
- Brochures distributed
The First Session

• Very well received
• Many questions from inmates
• Asked for information for their families
• Wanted us to return
• Offered suggestions
Priorities Between Modules

• Develop special activities
• Reinforce HIV prevention message
• Keep people engaged
• Strive to have 100% participation in our sessions
NLAAD Poster Contest

- NLAAD event - October
- We provided art supplies
- 19 entries
- Hung in SSCHC main clinic waiting room
- Judged by patients
- Prizes sent to families
- Posters hung in the prison
La Comunidad de Latino, Hispanos y La prevención de Sida.

Mi Nombre es Sáñor Sida y yo estoy abriendo de la tumba. No me importa, no consideras, digo darse a mi compañeros que yo estaba cargando el Sáñor Sida con pesar de la transeúnte a ella y pronto estaría con Mejor Escuela, entrar en la clínica tenia un simple examen para saber si estoy infectado con el primer H.I.V o V.H por que los niños no van a vivir en el mundo.
AIDS JUST ONE BAD DECISION AWAY!

I feel so sick. I’m so tired. Help me. I’m so scared.
My chest hurts. It’s so hot.
He lied to me. She lied to me. I’m dying.
I want to die.

Why me?
Not me.
I’m weak.
I’m sad.
I’m sorry.

What now?
What is the matter?
I didn’t know. It was just once.

Please help me. I’m infected.
What am I going to do? Oh no.

PROTECT YOURSELF FOR HIV

SIDA NO MAS UNA MALA DECISION!

No puedo pensar bien.
Ayúdame por favor.
Mentando malando.

Dios no dios.
Por qué?

Diablo.

No cierto.
El me murió. Fue solo una vez.

Me siento enfermo. Perdone me.

La prueba y asta.
PROTEJEJE Y ASTE DEL VIH
Estos difuntos nunca pensaron que el SIDA los podía alcanzar.

These people thought AIDS couldn't happen to them.

Use Protection.
WOULD YOU WANT YOUR CHILD TO PLAY WITH A GUN... SO WHY DO YOU?

NO QUISIERA QUE TU HIJO JUGARA CON UNA PISTOLA...ENTonces, POR QUÉ LO HACE UD?

Para aprender mas information
De VIH/SIDA:
llama: 1-800-232-4636.
Tambien puedes visitar el internet
en www.str.org

PROTEJETE
DON'T BE A PIG!!!

PROTECT YOURSELF FROM HIV/AIDS

TAKE THE TEST AND BE SAFE

EDUCATE YOURSELF... NO DUDES MAS

NO SEAS PUERCO !!!

CUIDATE DE VIH / SIDA

HASTE LA PRUEBA Y PROTEJETE
El sida mata

La prevención es la solución

Para una mejor calidad de vida. Educate hazte la prueba por tu bien y el de tu familia.
World AIDS Day

- Inmates developed their own project
- Prevention “bricks”
- Built a wall of HIV messages
- On display in the prison in December
What Comes Next?

- Completed 1 year
- Survey of inmates who attended sessions
- Making a video
- Photo novella
- Milwaukee County jail
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