

#### Before the Cell Door Opens

HIV Prevention as Part of a Re-entry Program

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## Learning Objectives

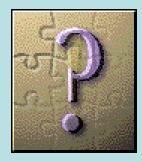
By the end of this session, participants will be able to:

- 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



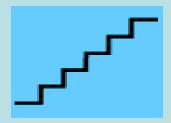
### Do Some Research

- 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



<u>Next Steps</u>

- 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



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**

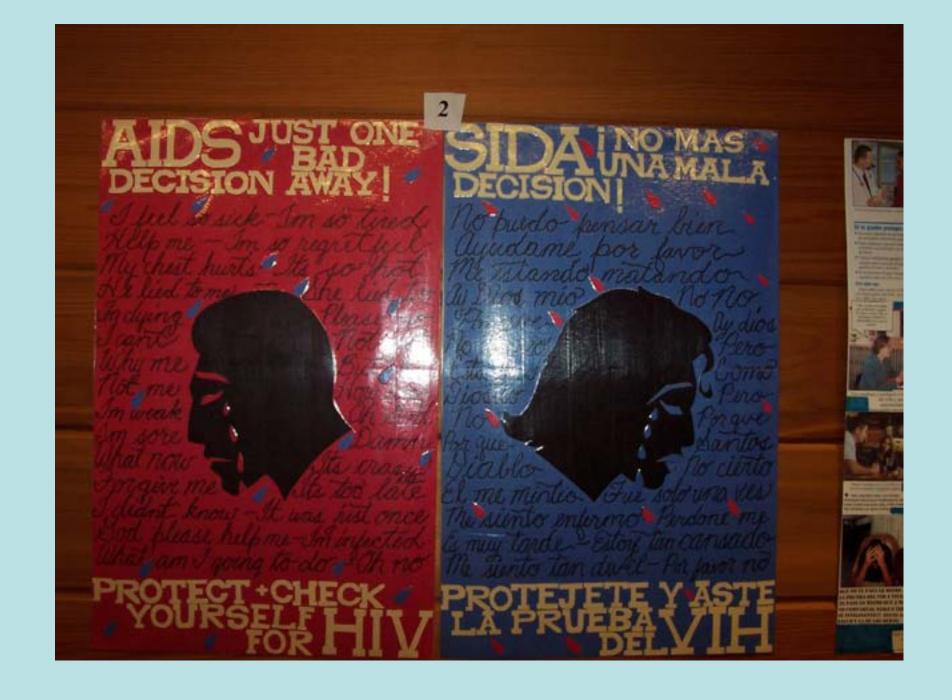
- Develop special activities
- Reinforce HIV prevention message
- Keep people engaged
- Strive to have 100% participation in our sessions



# 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

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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 QUE LO HACE UD?

> Para aprender mas information De VIH/SIDA: Ilama; 1-200-232-4636. Tambien puedes visitar el internet en www.etr.org

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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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