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Looking to the future: HIV
Education & Prevention in the
next 10 Years

- What communities will we be addressing?
- Increased Non Gay identifying

MSM

Situational

IV & Sex workers

Fluid nature of sexuality

Other communities

Aboriginal

Migrant & Refugee

- **Challenges with interagency activity**
 - Currently seemingly weakening i.e.: relying on agencies to do their share without us being involved.
 - Particularly in strategic planning

Clients and communities with Complex Needs

- Recognition of increasingly complex issues for clients.
 - STI's, Ethnicity, Hep C co-infection, Finance needs, HIV/AIDS, Mental Health, Housing etc.

Profiling our work and communities

- The need to raise the level of awareness of work and community involvement.
- Legitimising gay men and their efforts around HIV/AIDS
- Mainstreaming – along the lines of the 1st response – use of identities ie Ita Buttrose
- Doing more to the politicians on side.

What's in it for me?

- Paying attention to individual benefits as against community benefits.
- Focus on one to one education

Stemming Bad Policy

- Activism around ensuring good policy
- ie: removing control of brothels from local government – the rate payer is in control – are they the right people?

Drugs and Sex

- Yes Please!
- Keeping tabs on emerging treatments and recreational drugs
- Debunking urban myths around drug challenges ie: Treatment interactions with recreation drugs – misinformation
- Dangers of centralisation – advocate decentralisation
- Advocate for more services
- Keeping an eye on specific drug trends and resulting behaviours – how long will the current crystal phase last – how different is it from previous drugs such as heroin?
- How long is the shelf life of any particular drug phase?
- The slippery slope of conservatism around drugs.'
- How to engage with people around drugs in a conservative environment – or any environment for that matter.
- Government indifference to evidence – how do we respond?
- The need to improve evaluation
- The need to provide better evidence
- The need to present evidence better
- To enable better more effective funding application

Microbicides, Vaccines, PREP & Treatments

- Too far away to contemplate
- Except in the areas of ethics and practicality
- PREP being used as PEP – based on current practice
- Increased attention to worldwide ethics – around testing of treatments in particular
- Champion the agenda – outside of Australia as well as within
- Increased understanding & awareness of complexities around;
 - resistance, safe sex practice (relating to treatments) and treatment challenges

New Media

- Stay the hell out of our chat rooms!
- How to use media such as internet – both for outreach and other purposes.
- Branding & Packaging
- Coming to grips with emerging media – gaining funding challenges - how do identify and explain who we are trying to outreach- how do we get funding?
- Concerns of incorrect or misleading information – ie locally specific information being broadcast to all and sundry.
- Not treating chat room users “completely separate” – cross media messages, internet users also go the pub, use beats, saunas, read gay media etc.
- Attention to ethics & practicalities
- Do we lurk, chat, place banner ads, pop ups. Etc
- How will online censorship impact on our activities
- Proactive effort around value building with individuals and communities -= mateship care – spirituality, etc
- Literacy – how do we reach people who have different literacy ability?
 - Low literacy resources etc

Last but not least

- We need more activism!