EuroTEST update

Assessing the impact of COVID-19 on testing for multiple infectious diseases in the WHO European Region

EMCDDA Drug-related infectious diseases (DRID) meeting, 22 October 2020

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Conditions:

Guidance for

Implementing HIV Testing in Adults in Health Care Settings

November 2020 European Testing Week

- The next #EuroTestWeek is
 20 27 November 2020
- For this November, ETW encourages continuing to advocate and raise awareness on the importance of HIV, viral hepatitis and STI services and share how organisations are supporting local communities during this global pandemic.
- Interested organisations can sign up, download materials and get more info at <u>www.testingweek.eu</u>



HepHIV2021 Conference in Lisbon

Since 2007, the EuroTEST Initiative has hosted six **biennial** conferences on optimal testing and earlier care

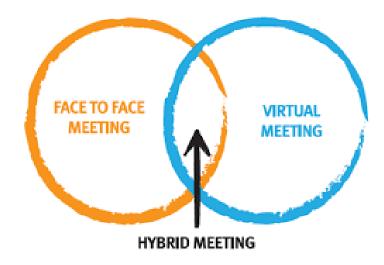
The next conference will take place in Lisbon, Portugal on **5-7 May 2021**

The format will be a **hybrid** conference:

- Small in-person conference
- Virtual (live and pre-recorded sessions)

EMCDDA will lead one of the sessions

More information forthcoming via the conference website (<u>http://www.eurotest.org/Conferences/HepHIV-2021-Lisbon-Conference</u>) and email: <u>hephiv.rigshospitalet@regionh.dk</u>



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Assessment of the impact of COVID-19 on testing for HIV, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections in the WHO European Region



Consortium composition

Representation/support from:



EuroTEST Working together for integrated testing and earlier care Addressing Hepatitis, HIV, STIs and TB



+ Independent experts

Assessment objectives

Main objective: To assess the impact of COVID-19 on HIV, viral hepatitis and STI testing in the WHO European Region.

Specific objectives:

- 1. Assess the quantitative and structural impact on testing and, to a less detailed extent, on prevention and linkage to care for these infections among the different actors of the response:
 - Laboratories
 - Clinics/secondary care
 - Primary health care units
 - Community testing sites
 - National public health leads
- 2. Collect information on causes associated with this impact;
- 3. Identify and describe measures put in place to mitigate impact and areas where guidance or support are needed.



Timeline and links

- Survey disseminated **14 October**
- Open until 1 November
- Preliminary descriptive results in late November (ETW/WAD)
- Survey link: <u>https://is.gd/EuroTESTCOVID19impact</u>
- Survey website: <u>http://www.eurotest.org/Projects-Collaborations/COVID-19-impact-assessment-on-testing</u>
- Available in both English and Russian
- Further **dissemination** encouraged (dissemination email can be shared)
- WHO call for good practices (case studies): <u>https://virtuallibrary.euro.who.int/index.php/vl/CallForSubmissions</u>



THANK YOU

For any questions, please contact <u>eurotest.rigshospitalet@regionh.dk</u>

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