



# HIV

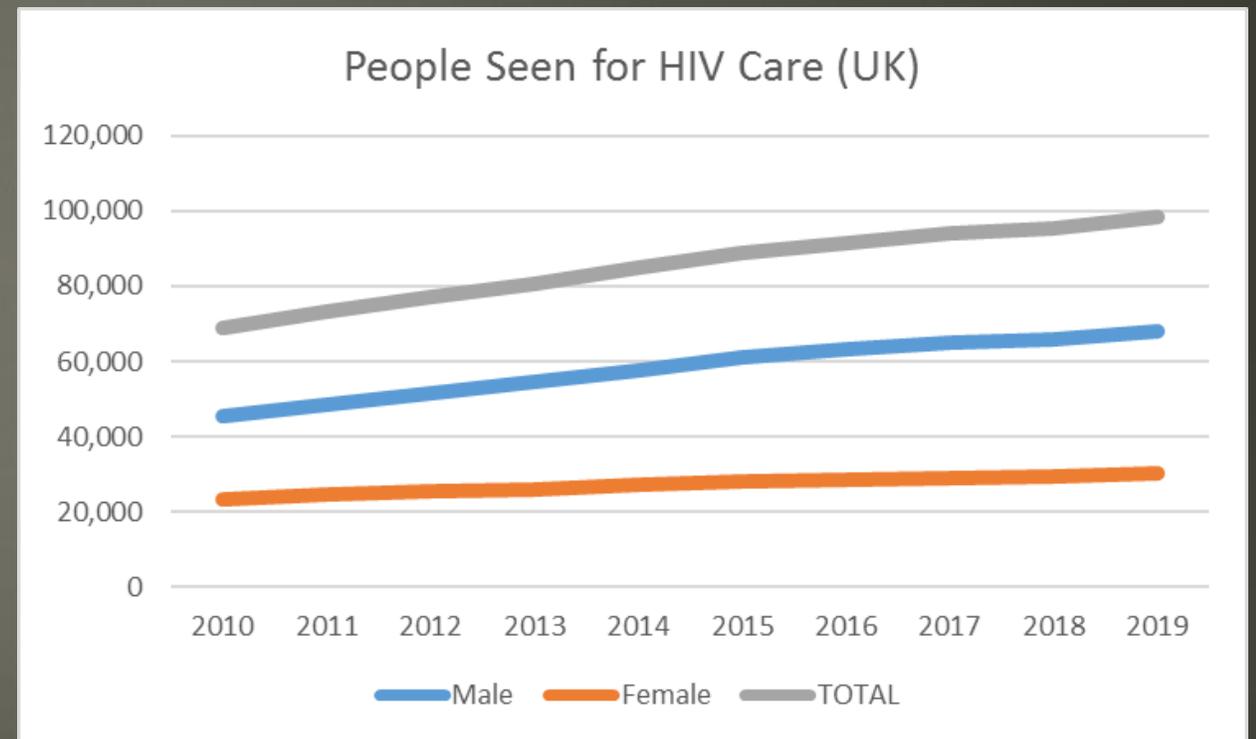
# The forgotten pandemic?

STILL WITH US, AND LIVING POSITIVELY ACROSS OUR COMMUNITIES

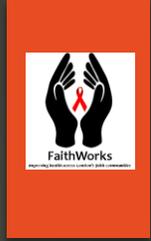


# H I V – Snapshot of current UK picture

- 100,000 people living with HIV in UK
- This is an increase of around 30% since 2010
- Over 4,000 new diagnoses each year

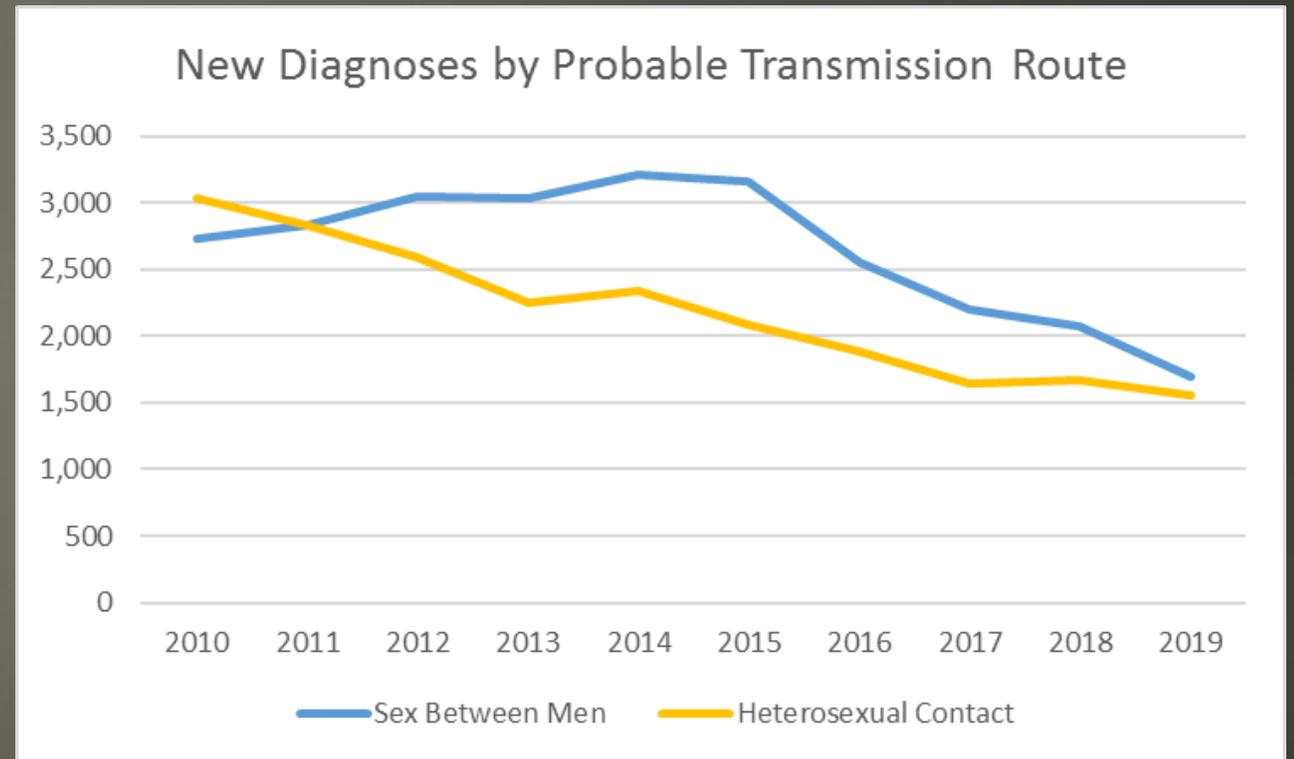


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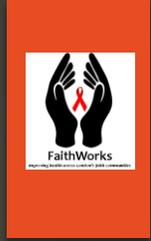


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- **Heterosexual transmission now roughly equal to homosexual transmission**

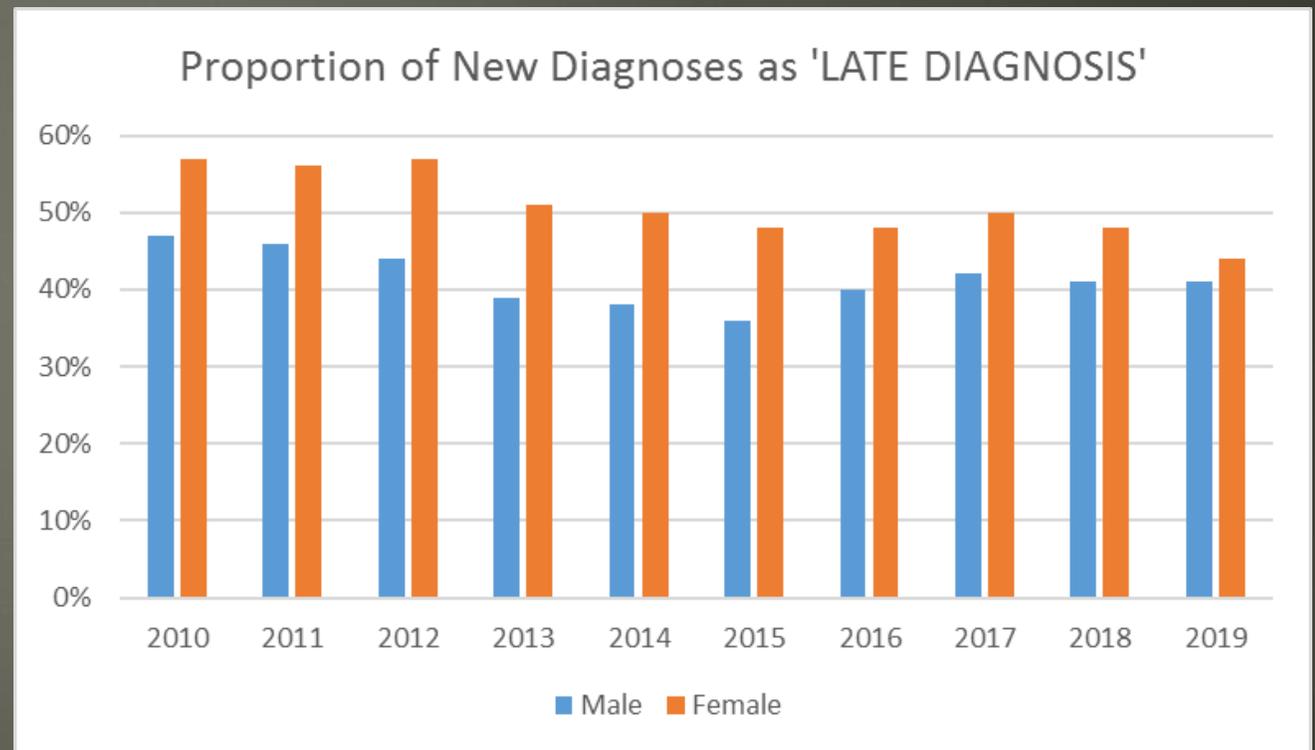


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- Over 40% of diagnoses are 'late diagnoses'
- Late diagnosis hinders efficacy of treatment
- Access to, and promotion of, testing is vital for early diagnosis

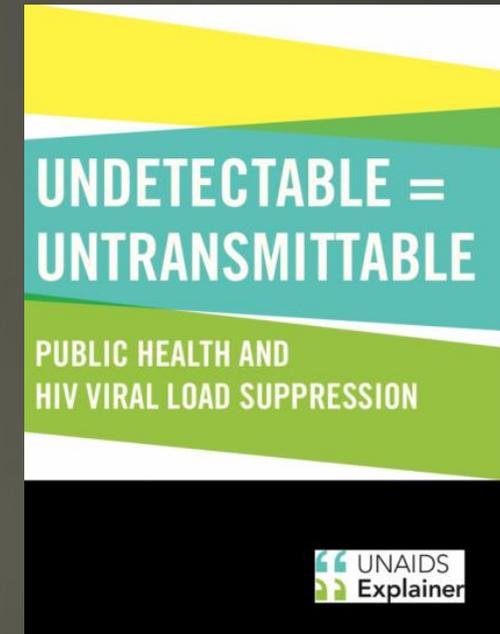


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# Improved treatments = improved outcomes

- Anti-Retroviral treatments are very successful in suppressing the virus
- With regular treatment virus can become 'undetectable'
- **Undetectable = Untransmittable**
- Therefore, diagnosis and treatment is essential



*UNAIDS Programme Literature confirming*

*U=U*



# Is our community aware?

- FaithWorks - NHS-funded project across faith communities in Greater London
- Providing information, guidance and support to faith communities
- Encouraging access to testing





# Key Messages?

- HIV is very much still with us
- Our community should be providing:
  - Education on transmission and prevention
  - Leadership in breaking the silence and stigma
  - Testing opportunities
  - Pastoral support
- FaithWorks can help you with these



# Next Steps:

- Get in touch:
  - [@2020faithworks](https://twitter.com/2020faithworks)
  - [e-voice.org.uk/faithworks](https://e-voice.org.uk/faithworks)
- We will work with you to explore how this important health message can be conveyed to your community with:
  - Sensitivity
  - Honesty
  - Respect

