# The London HIV Prevention Programme (LHPP)

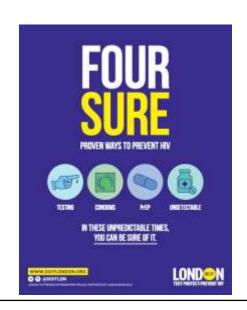
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#### What is the LHPP?

A collaborative health initiative of all London Boroughs with he primary objective of reducing the incidence of HIV in the capital.

## How do you contribute to reducing HIV?



Social marketing awareness campaign





Sexual Health Promotion Service

## 2021 Do It London campaign

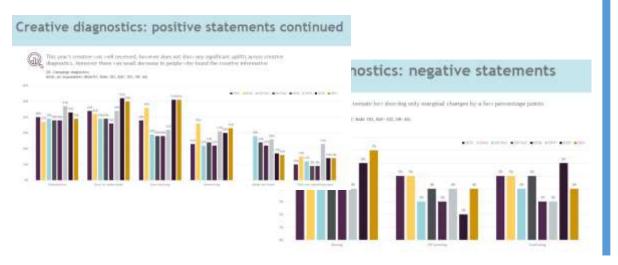
#### **Key Info**

Launch: Sep – Dec '21 Campaign Message: FOUR SURE ways to prevent HIV

Target Audience: GBMSM, Heterosexual Black African Male + Female, All Londoners

#### Audience insight work was undertaken which informed the campaign:

1. Qualitative Feedback from the 2020 Campaign Evaluation



2. Virtual focus groups with target populations



## Findings from the 2020 campaign evaluation

The evaluation of the campaign included quantitative data (reach, placement and frequency of channels) and qualitative feedback (awareness, creative diagnostics, and claimed future behaviour change).

## Campaign associations

Did the Do it London campaign make you think about condom use?/HIV testing?/PrEP? BASE: all respondents (MSM:104, BAM: 107, BAF: 103, NR: 54)



66% Condom use vs 52% in 2019

66% MSMs 73% Black African males 68% Black African females 48% Nat Rep

Improvement in condom use message reception, particularly amongst Black African groups. Condom use continues to be the key take out message for these audiences



54% PrEP vs 47% in 2019

68% MSMs 59% Black African males 40% Black African females 37% Nat Rep

PrEP messaging has improved across all target groups in this wave, continuing the upward trend from 2019



57% HIV testing vs 54% in 2019

65% MSMs 65% Black African males 49% Black African females 43% Nat Rep

HIV messaging has shown a slight decline amongst Black African females, despite an improvement in overall message reception

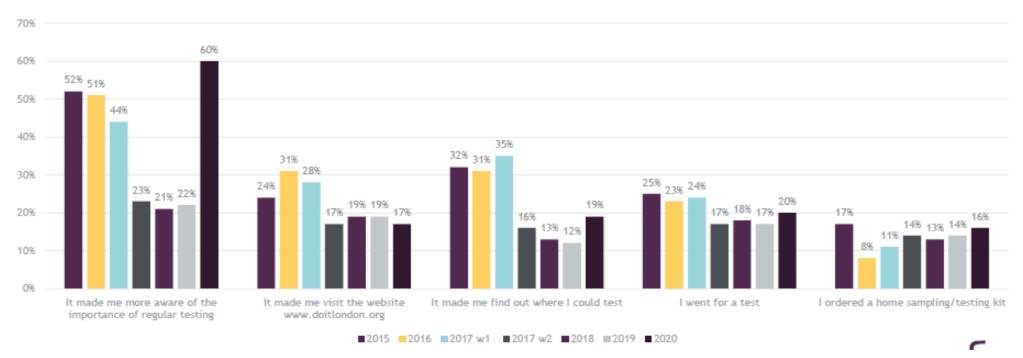
## Findings from the 2020 campaign evaluation

## Claimed behaviour: HIV prevention



This wave saw a return to historic levels of awareness of the importance of HIV testing, posting a large uplift compared with the previous 3 years. This might seem anomalous at first glance, but it is reassuring to see that there was also a meaningful uplift in those who also found out where to get tested.

BASE: those whose HIV prevention behaviour influenced by the campaign (MSM:38, BAM: 50, BAF: 31, NR: 9)



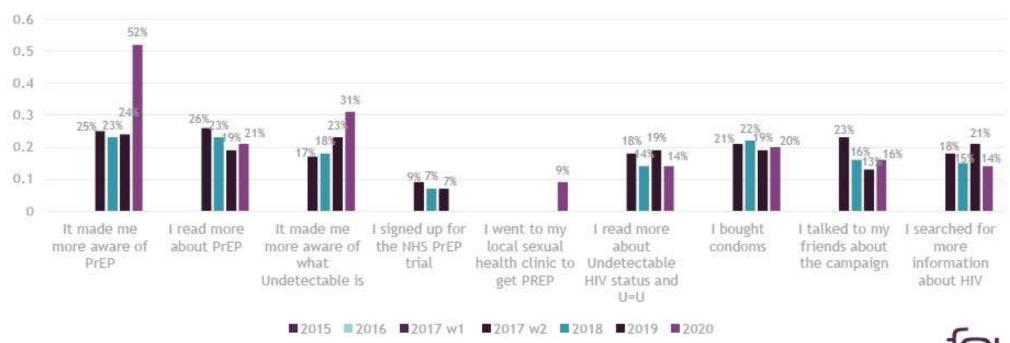
## Findings from the 2020 campaign evaluation

### Claimed behaviour: PrEP/U=U



Awareness of Undetectable continued to increase in this wave, alongside significant uplifts in PrEP awareness. Claimed behaviours remained relatively stable between this wave and the previous wave in 2019.

BASE: those whose HIV prevention behaviour influenced by the campaign (MSM:38, BAM: 50, BAF: 31, NR: 9)



## Findings from the focus groups

- Method: 3x1 hour (virtual) focus groups with target audiences (GBMSM + BAM + BAF)
- Objective: To gauge behaviours and attitudes towards sex, sexual health, and HIV.

To further test past creative and better understand HIV prevention imagery which resonates.







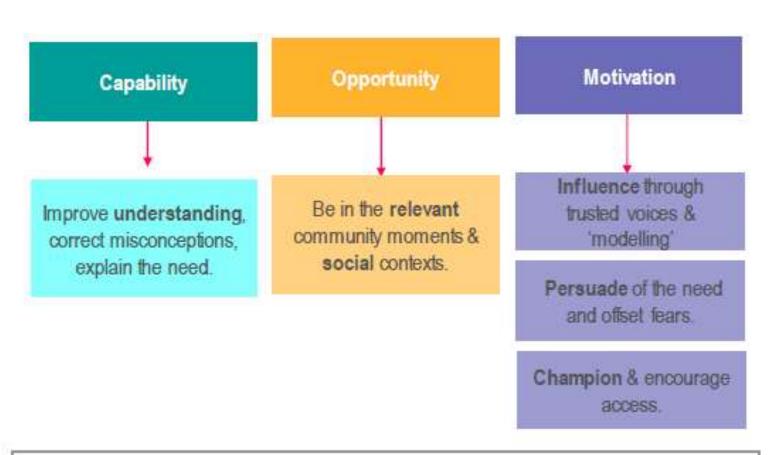
## Findings from the focus groups

	Gay or Bisexual Males, aged 18–60	Heterosexual Black African Females, aged 18-60	Heterosexual Black African Males, aged 18–60
1. Testing	<ul> <li>High awareness</li> <li>While discussing overall STI prevention, some participants reported to use condoms alongside testing to prevent infections</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High awareness</li> <li>Some saw regular testing as effective</li> <li>Strong understanding of how to access (online or at SH clinic)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Testing was well understood but not uniformly practiced</li> <li>Testing is provided by Sexual Health Clinics</li> </ul>
2. Condoms	<ul> <li>All participants understood effectiveness od condoms an reported regular usage (At some point).</li> <li>Mixed understanding of need to use alongside PrEP</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>High awareness of use and access</li> <li>Perceptions are mixed - for some condoms are effective, for others are not 100% effective as not used in all sexual activities (e.g. oral sex)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Awareness that condoms are effective in preventing STIs and HIV</li> <li>All participants know where to get condoms</li> </ul>
3. PrEP	<ul> <li>Strong awareness of PrEP</li> <li>Some stigma associated with it, e.g. 'slut shaming'.</li> <li>Access pathways (NHS) well known</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Mixed awareness, few participants were informed but worked in healthcare</li> <li>Effectiveness was mixed; questioned by some due to personal responsibility to follow the dosing regime</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>PrEP is considered an effective HIV prevention method by participants who are aware of it</li> <li>Not viewed as relevant to this audience</li> </ul>
4. U=U	<ul> <li>Concern was expressed that not everyone is aware of U=U, even among people that are on PrEP</li> <li>U=U is helping change negative perception of HIV</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Only one participant was aware of U=U</li> <li>Was welcomed by the group as ground breaking and big change is tacking HIV related stigma</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Overall awareness was low; not seen at hugely relevant for them</li> <li>One participant questioned what undetectable meant and whether U=U and testing are methods of HIV prevention</li> </ul>

## **COM-B** behaviour change model

## What is the COM-B model?

To drive behaviour change three areas need to be addressed: Capability + Opportunity + Motivation.



We identified a need for a more human element within the paid comms, trusted voices with authority that audiences can relate to in a much more emotive tone

## **COM-B** behaviour change model

#### Our prior insight revealed:

#### Capability:

- Relatively strong awareness of methods
- PrEP + U=U less than Testing + Condoms
- Varied by audience and method

#### Opportunity:

- Few barriers to accessing methods
- 'Physical', environment, barriers to methods not raised
- Condoms and Testing easily accessible
- Some social environments restricted accessibility

#### Motivation:

- Taboos and misconceptions were prominent
- Relevancy of messaging issue for BA groups
- Social stigma of going SH clinics existed

### Motivation is a barrier, now what?

We worked closely with our Media Buying agency to identify channels which helped tackle *motivation*.

This included utilizing channels which are already trusted by the communities were trying to reach. Channels which reflect the values of our audiences in a way which was organic and relevant.

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## Campaign Outcomes – review of channels addressing *motivation*

Community Radio

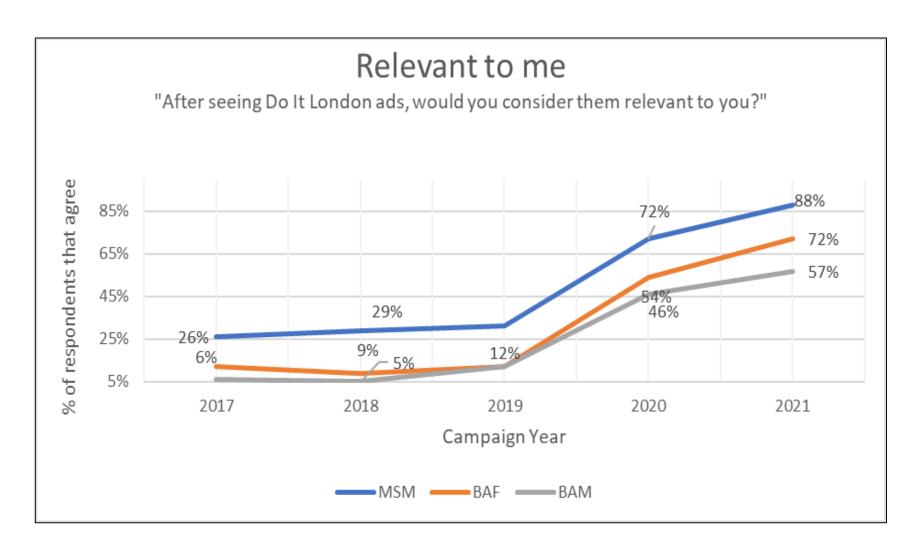
Station	Audience	Format	Planned Plays	Delivered Plays	Added Value
Gaydio	MSM	30 spot ads	1,016	916	-
The Beat	Black African		300	458	+53%
Westside Radio			296	296	-
Rainbow Radio			290	368	+27%
Mi-Soul			291	291	-
The Beat		Live Reads	161	428	+166%
Westside Radio			150	150	-
Mi-Soul			175	230	+32%
Rainbow Radio			150	240	+37%

## Campaign Outcomes – review of channels addressing motivation

**Podcasts** 

Podcasts	Audience	Format	Planned Impressions	Delivered Impressions	Added Value
A Gay and a Non- Gay	Gay 2min advertexplaining each	4x host read, 2min adverts explaining each	22,400	29,846	+33%
Homo Sapiens		prevention	45,600	65,448	+44%
Dane Baptiste	Black African		19,680	26,466	+34%
Laid Bare	Black African		36,000	42,462	+18%
Homo Sapiens	MSM	Sponsored Story	34,200	49,796	+46%
Laid Bare	Black African		27,000	28,703	+6%

## Campaign Outcomes – qualitative feedback



- Relevancy of messaging a big challenge
- Strong increase in 2020 – linked to Covid-10 pandemic
- Continued increase in 2021

## Campaign Outcomes – qualitative feedback

## Campaign associations

Q11. Key messages - condom use | Q10. Key messages - HIV testing | Q12. Key messages - PrEP | BASE: all respondents (MSM:97, BAM: 103, BAF: 102



67% Condom use vs 66% in 2020

82% MSMs 77% Black African males 63% Black African females 48% Nat Rep

Improvement in condom use message reception, particularly amongst MSMs and Black African groups. Condom use continues to be the key take out message for these audiences alongside HIV testing



60% PrEP vs 54% in 2020

78% MSMs 69% Black African males 48% Black African females 43% Nat Rep

PrEP messaging has improved significantly across all targets



66% HIV testing vs 57% in 2020

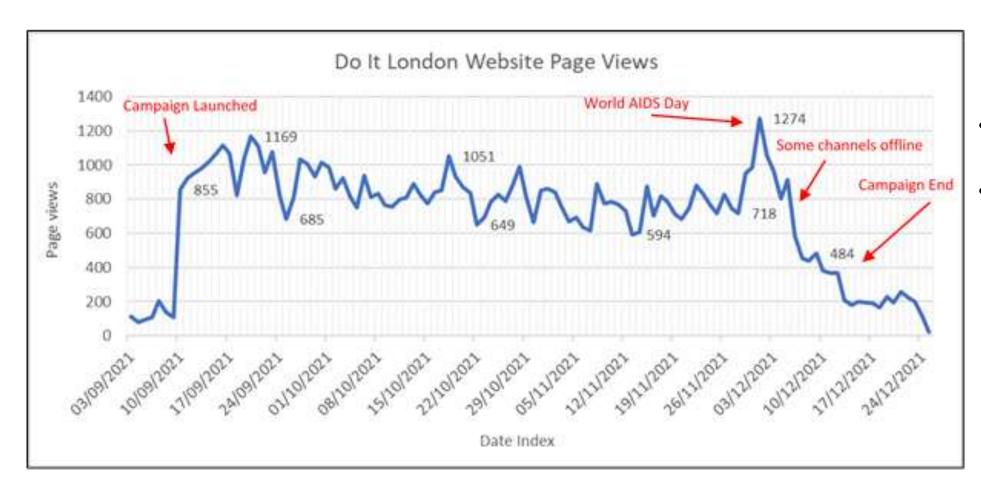
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HIV messaging has shown a significant increase across all audiences reaching similar levels of salience to condom use

- Awareness of all method higher than previous years
- Varied by audience

## Other Key Campaign Performance Indicators

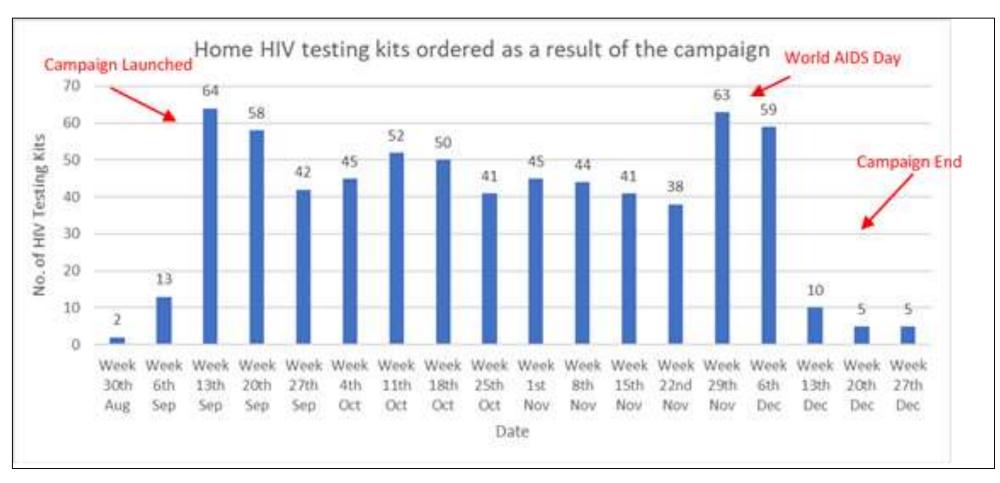
www.doitlondon.org website views



- Total page views: 80,560
- Unique page views: 38,885

## Other Key Campaign Performance Indicators

#### Home HIV testing kits



- Total ordered:
   657 (21%
   increase from 2020)
- Average per week: 44 (1,000% increase from when offline)

## **Questions?**