



Next Steps: Tools & Activities

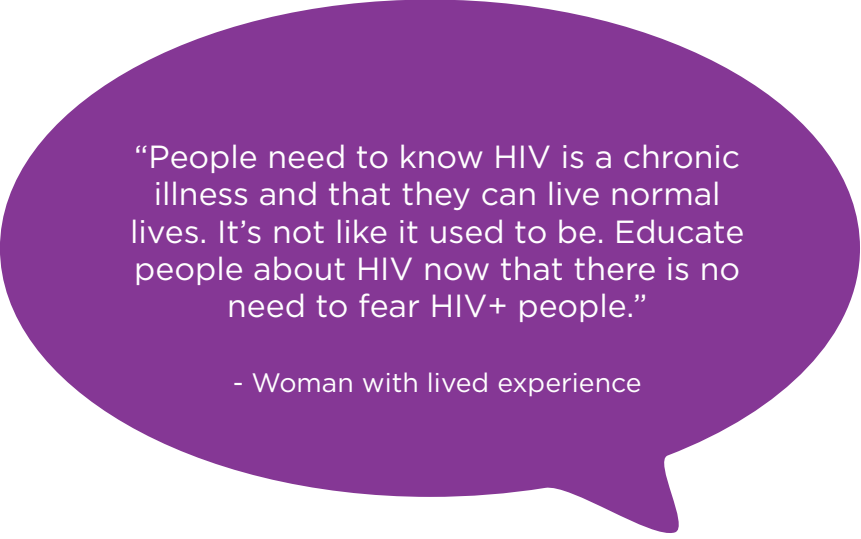
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WHAT CAN YOU DO?

Working at community organizations, our job often focuses on ensuring welcoming, supportive spaces for women*. In order to do this with women who are living with HIV, or who face systemic risk factors for contracting HIV, it is important that we are knowledgeable about HIV and that the organization we work at has the capacity to do this work. The following section provides tools to examine your own skills and areas for learning, as well as the strengths and areas of growth needed at the organization where you work. These tools can be used individually or as a team capacity building tool. Below you will find an overview of each tool so you can select what works best for you and the organization where you work.



“People need to know HIV is a chronic illness and that they can live normal lives. It’s not like it used to be. Educate people about HIV now that there is no need to fear HIV+ people.”

- Woman with lived experience

Activities



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SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH ACTIVITY

This activity explores intersecting social determinants of health that impact women's risk for HIV and health outcomes, as well as referrals and supports that may be helpful to support your work with women. This activity can be used individually or in a group.

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SELF-ASSESSMENT FOR PEOPLE WHO WORK IN COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The Self Assessment Tool is a great tool to assess your knowledge of women's HIV related experiences, and identify areas to strengthen your work. This tool is best used for individuals, but could be used in a group to collectively work at strengthening your work.

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ORGANIZATIONAL ASSESSMENT FOR COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS

The Organizational Assessment Tool can be used to assess the strengths and areas for growth at the organization where you work. Consider inviting others from your organization to assist in completing it.

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ACTION PLANNING FOR CHANGE WORKSHEET

Celebrate your strengths and what you do well, and strategize priority areas for change. The Action Planning for Change Worksheet is a tool to help you create helpful strategies, or to identify helpful strategies for your work team.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Check out the WHAI website for the latest resources at



www.whai.ca/resources

- Reach out to women in the community to inform and support the work
- Reach out to local organizations and build partnerships to enhance the capacity within your community
- Contact your local WHAI worker who can provide support, resources and partnerships to achieve these goals.

Find your local WHAI worker by going to



www.whai.ca/contact-us

Let's get started. >>