

Stigma monitoring and stigma reduction interventions

Stigma and discrimination have been shown to result in harmful impacts on affected people's quality of life, relationships, and utilisation of healthcare. Stigma exists in a wide range of contexts and is directed towards many different attributes, including blood-borne viruses, sexually transmissible infections, and behaviours that are associated with increased risk of those infections. The National BBV/STI Strategies have a clear goal to eliminate the negative effects of stigma and discrimination on people's health, however, until recently there has not been a system in place to measure experiences of stigma or to monitor progress against these objectives. This presentation will describe the national monitoring system established to fill this gap and will report recent findings regarding stigma experienced by key population groups. The presentation will also introduce a follow-on project, which aimed to develop an intervention to reduce the expression of stigma towards priority population groups by the Australian general public.

About the presenters

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