

Seroprevalence of Syphilis in MSMs in and Around Nagpur

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Abstract

Homosexuality is rarely discussed publically as it is considered a taboo subject by both Indian Civil Society and the government. Indian MSM (men who have sex with men) includes self-identified gay men. MSMs are one of the risk group targeted by National AIDS Control Organization (NACO) to reduce STDs along with human immunodeficiency virus (HIV) transmission. From the study it was tried to see the status of STDs among this special group of population in Nagpur region of India. The study was conducted in mobile ICTC in the Department of Microbiology, Indira Gandhi Government Medical College, Nagpur with Sarathi Trust under TARANG Project over a period of two years from April 2012 to March 2014. From our study, we conclude that the prevalence of Syphilis is very low among this group of population in Nagpur region of India.