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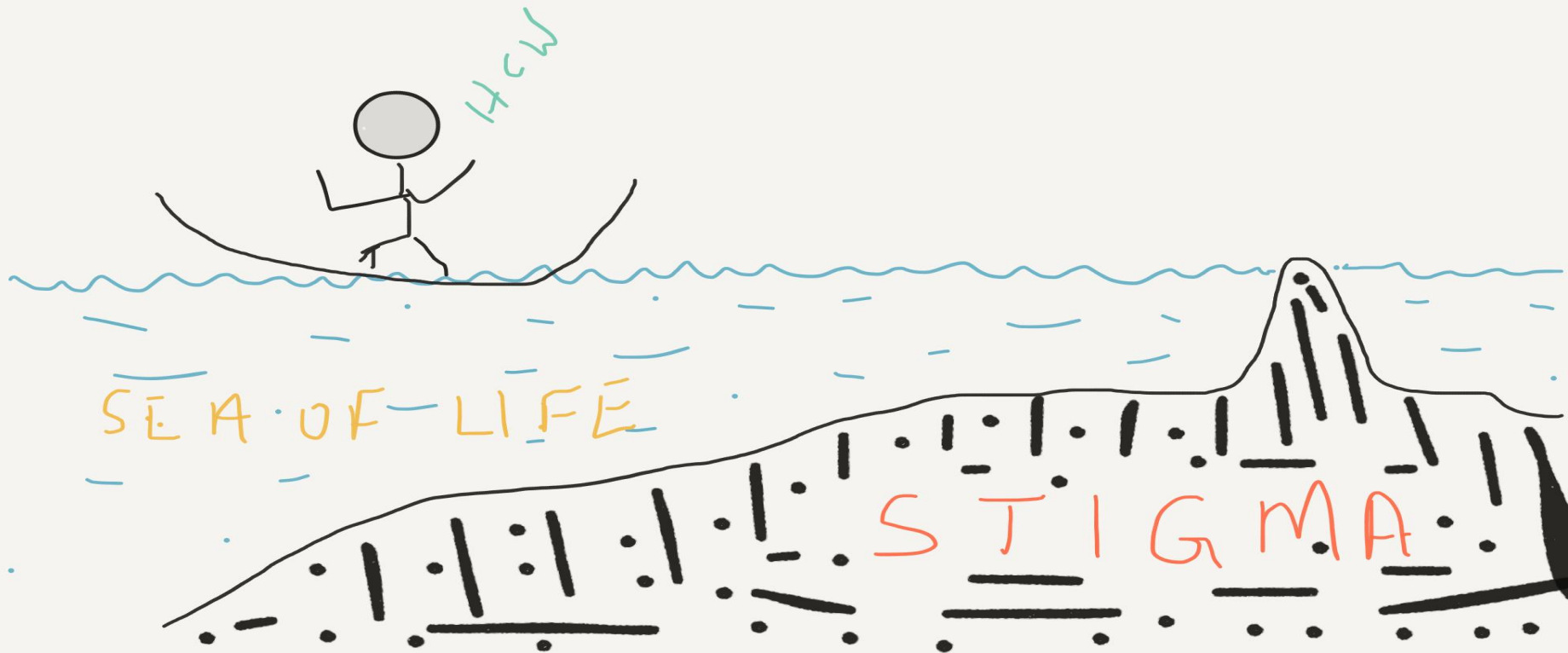
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My Road to Advocacy For a Marginalised, Invisible Population

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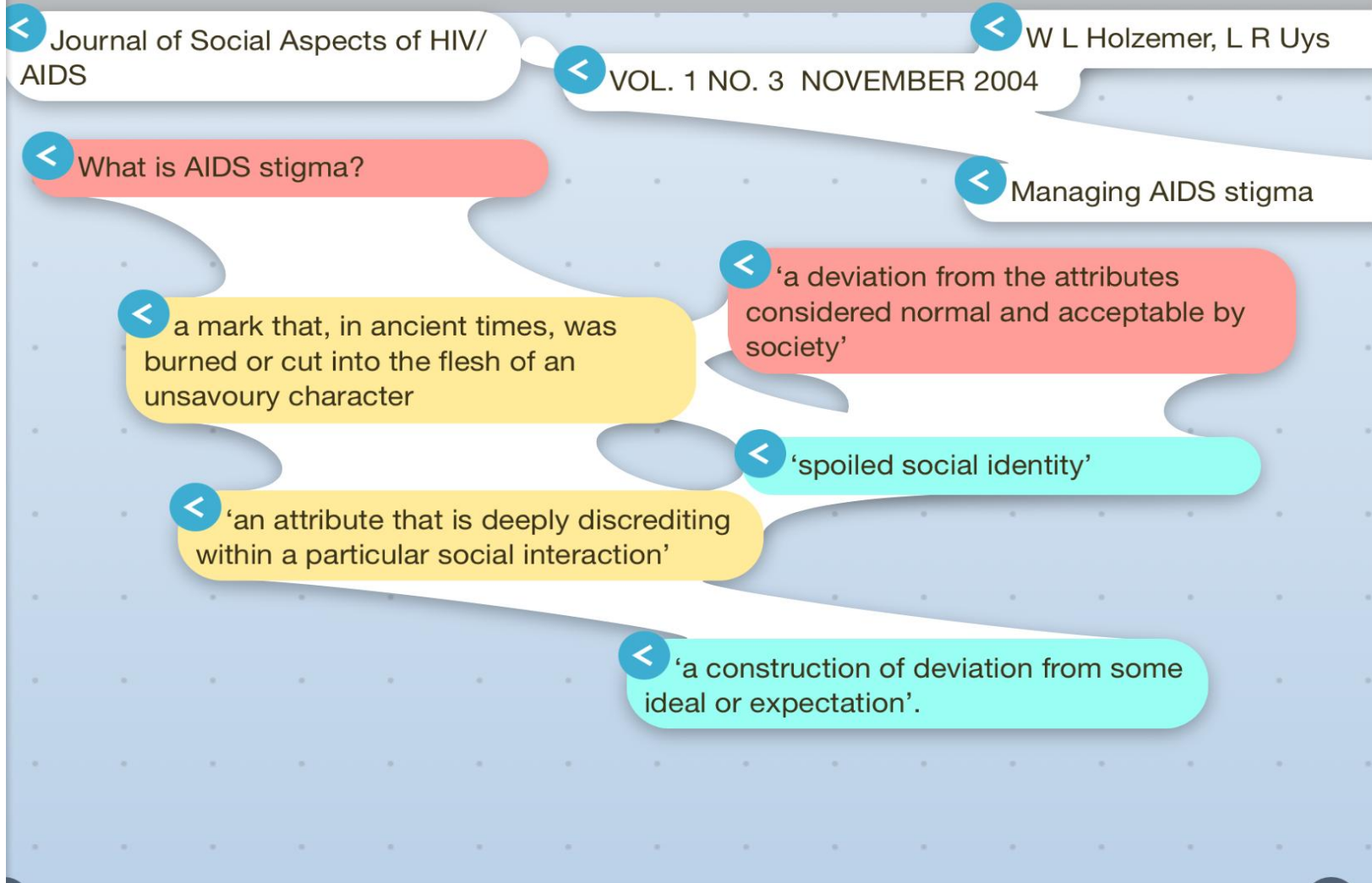
STIGMA



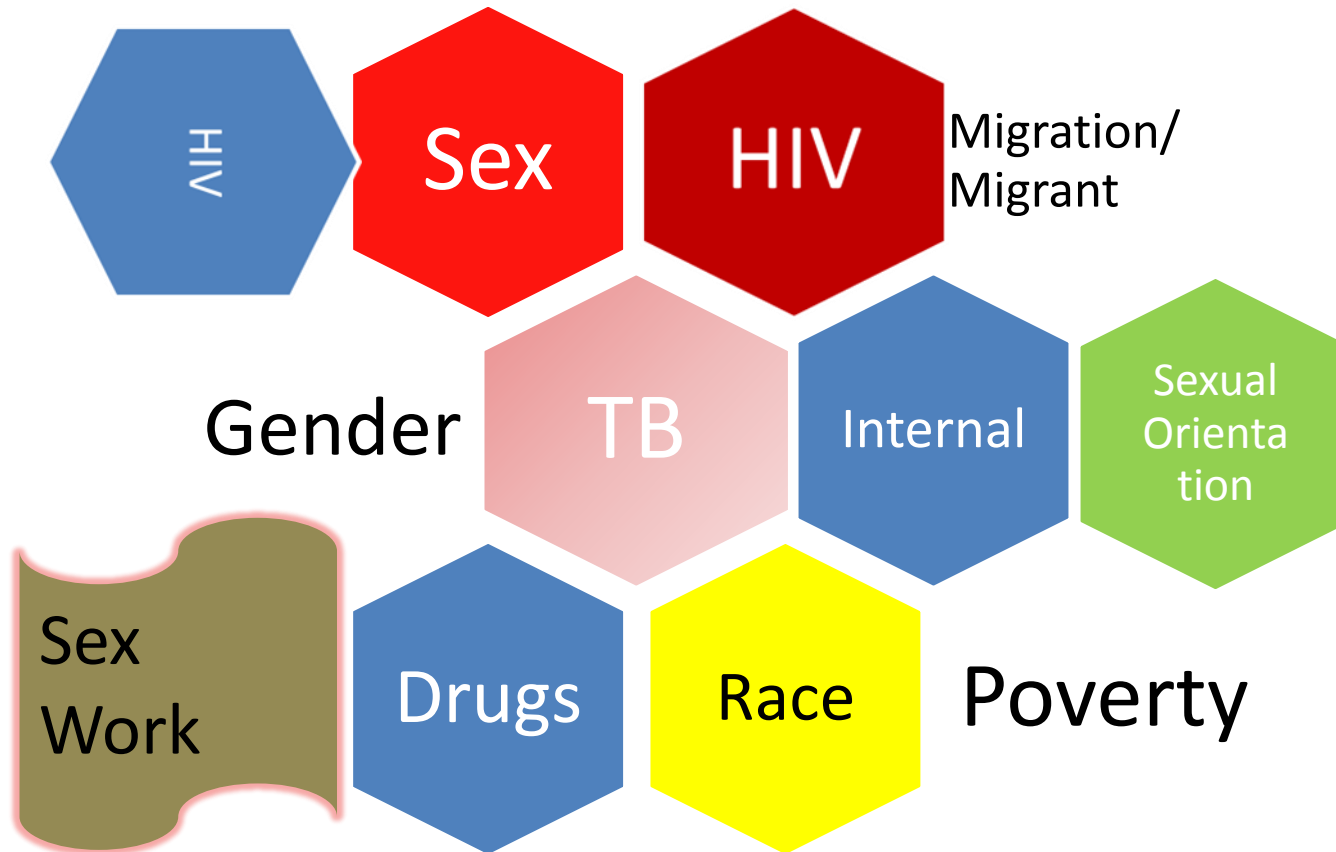


The HCW on The Sea of Life

What is Stigma?



Layering of Stigma & Multiple Stigmas



Elements of Stigma

PRE-EXISTING STIGMA

- *Deviation from norm*
- *Inferiority*
- *Gender, race, sex, sexual orientation*

HIV-SPECIFIC STIGMA

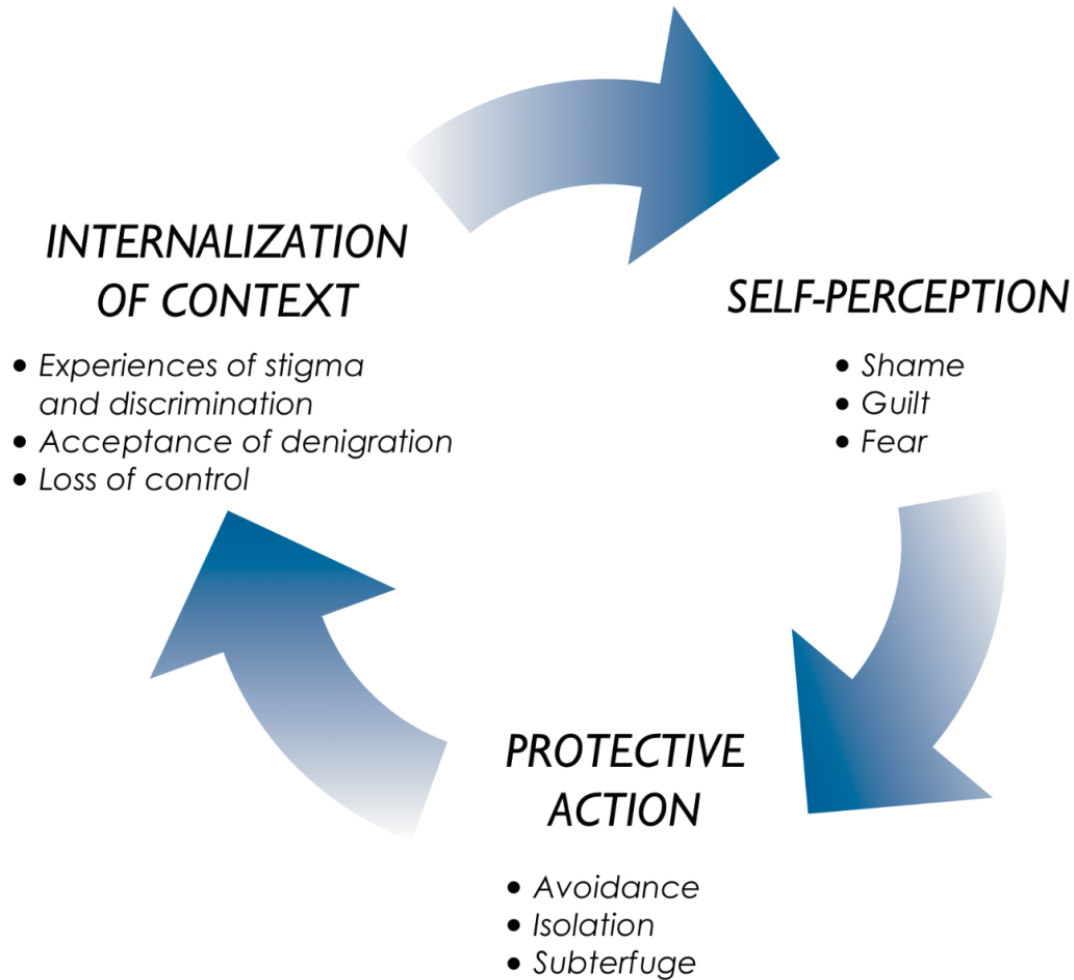
- *Illness of Immorality*
- *Exaggerated danger*
- *Imminent death*

ENACTED STIGMA

- *Identification*
- *Distancing*
- *Restricting*

Morrison, K . (2006)

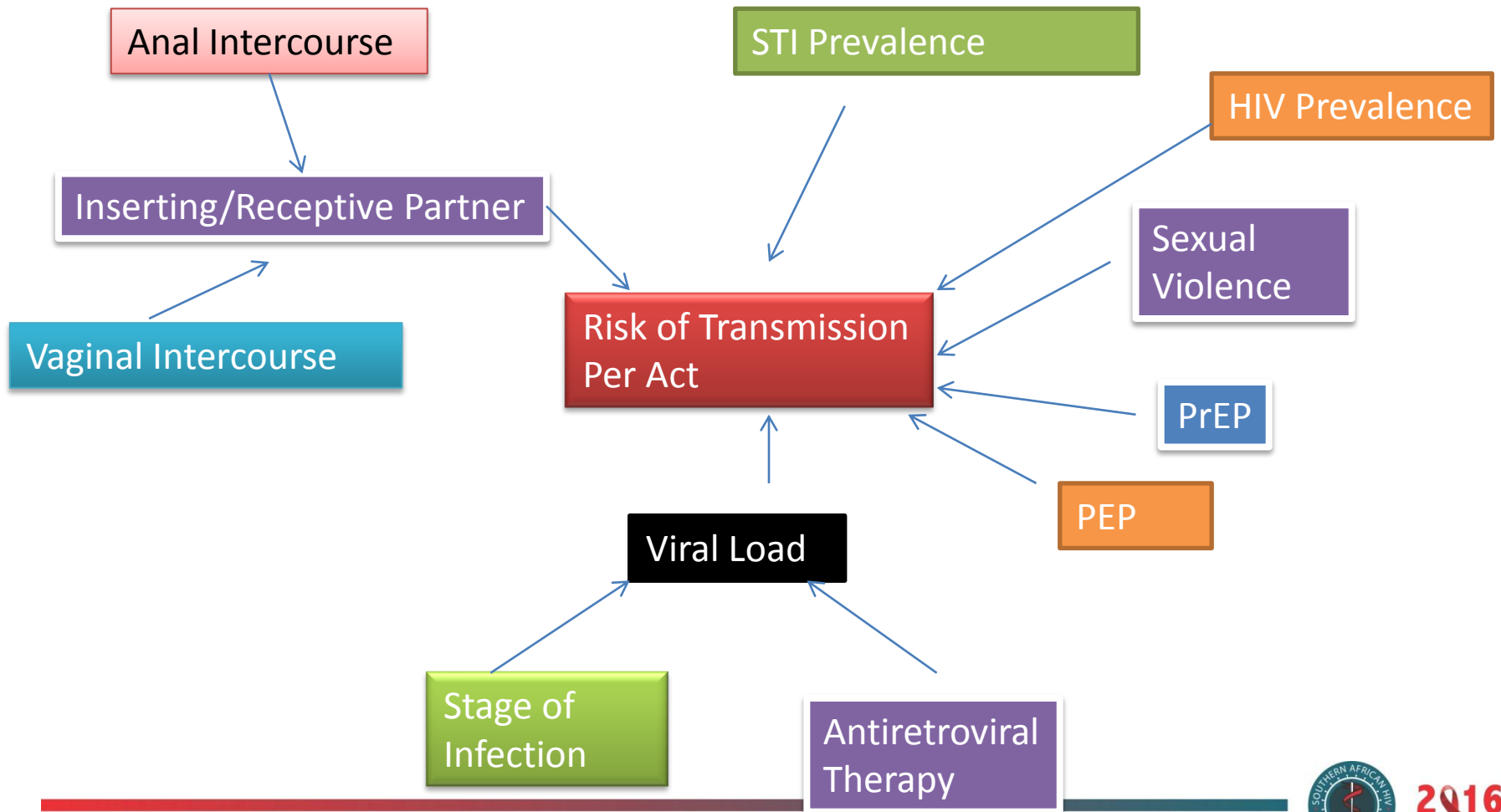
Internalised Stigma



Stigma & the HCW

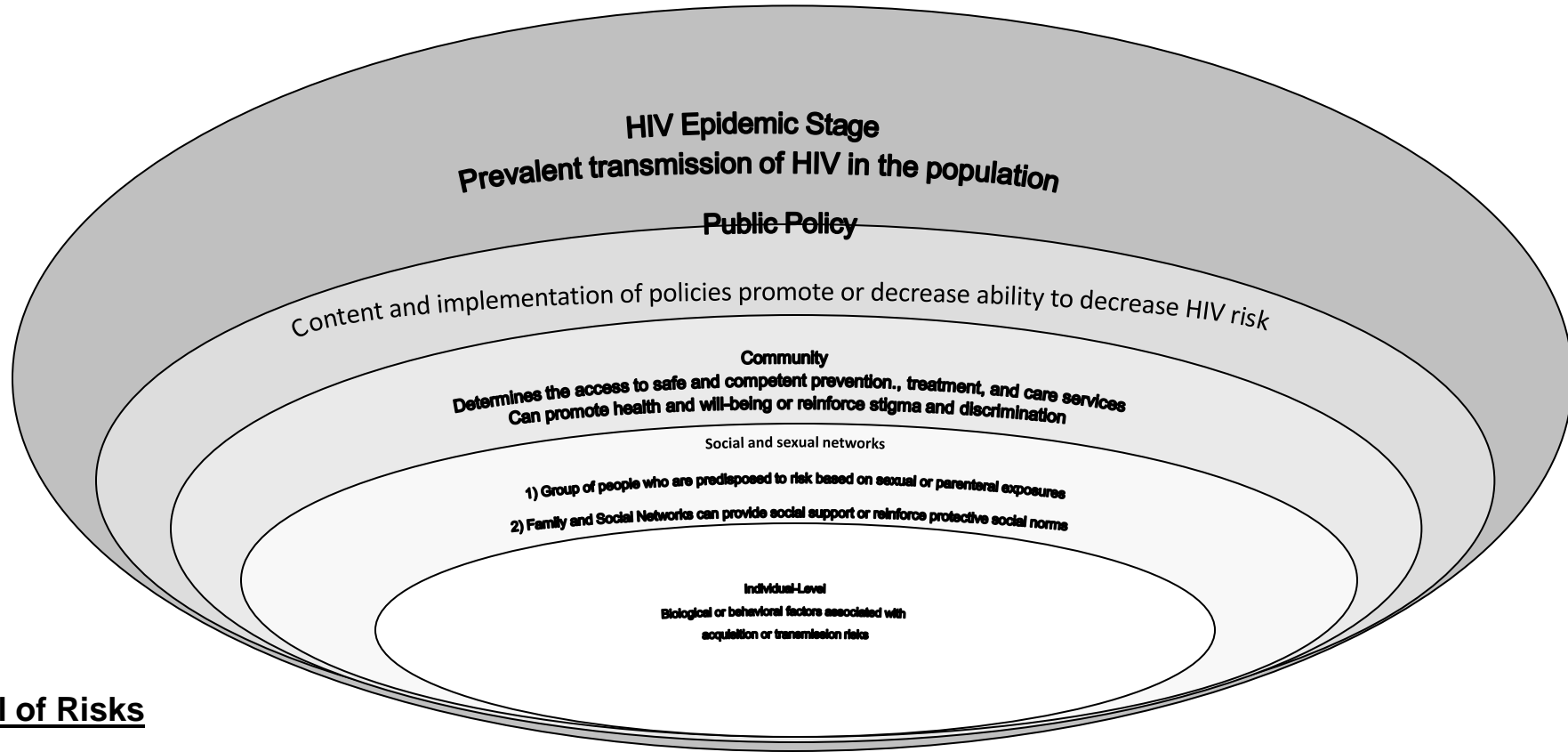
- HCWs stigmatize
(are also members of community)
- Inability to 'see' stigma.
- Not recognizing challenge of stigma.
- Politics-
- Doing Nothing.
- Supporting the Stigma

Biological Determinants; Sexual Transmission of HIV





Risk of HIV Acquisition and Transmission



Level of Risks

	Stage of Epidemic
	Public Policy
	Community
	Network
	Individual

Source: Baral, Logie, et al. Modified Social Ecological Model of HIV Risk. BMC Public Health 2013



STIGMA AFFECTS ALL LEVELS

Stigma Bursting is necessary at
ALL LEVELS



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The Patient that Changed My Life

HIV positive, Recently diagnosed

Gay, Previously Bi

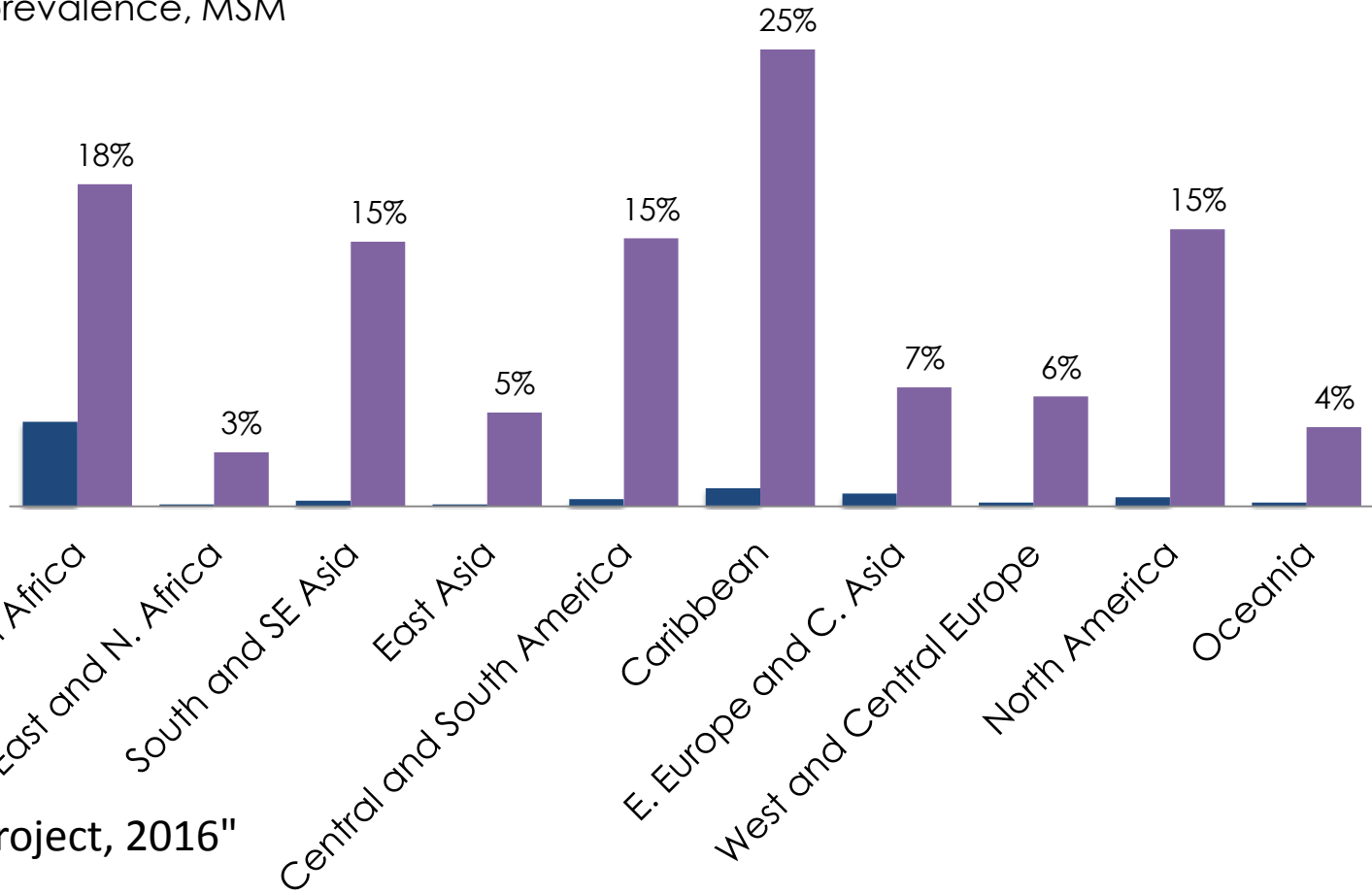
Uganda



Overall, MSM are **19 times** as likely to be living with HIV

- HIV prevalence, all adults
- HIV prevalence, MSM

Five Facts



"Health Policy Project, 2016"

Source: Beyrer, 2011

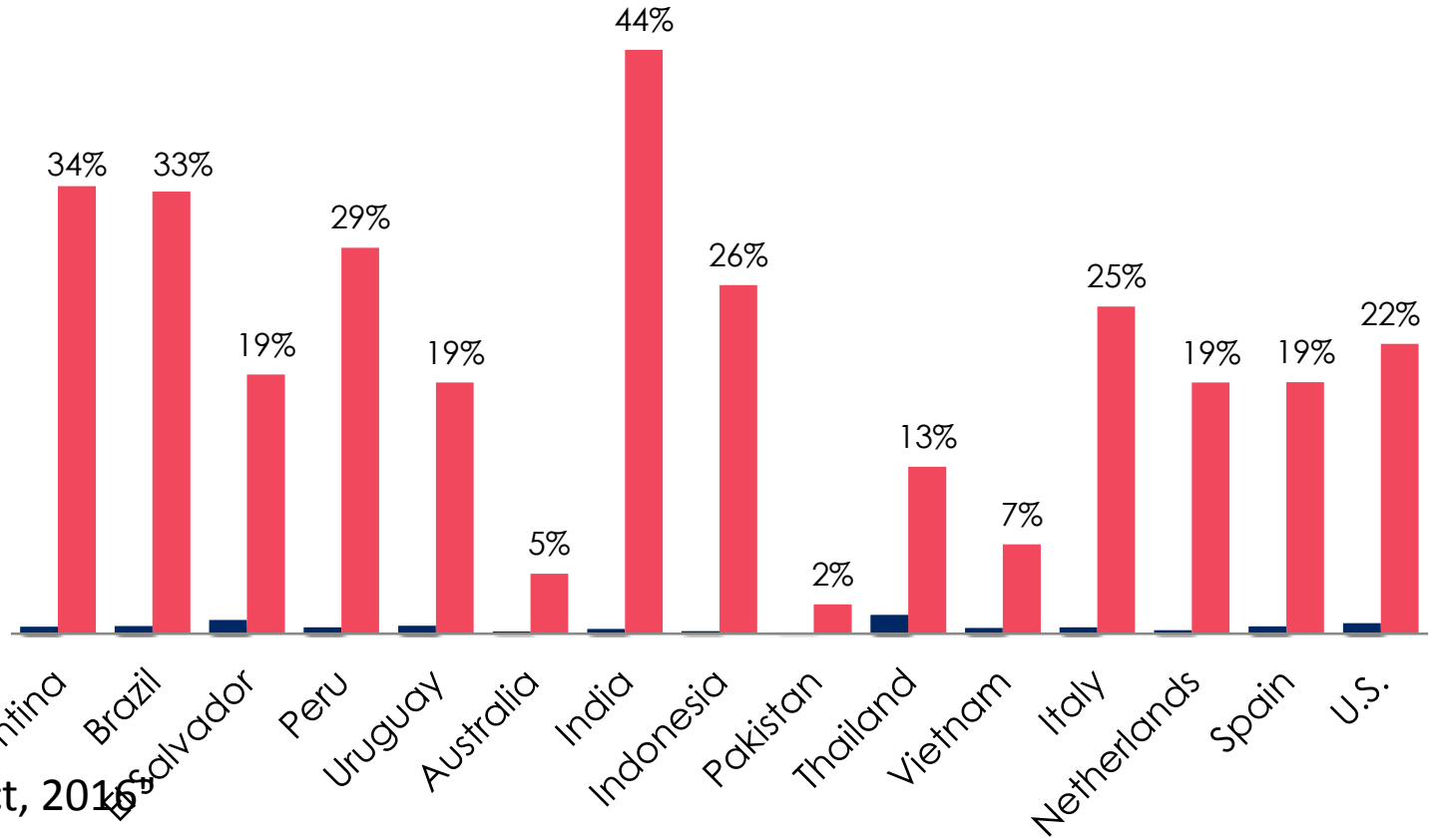




Overall, transgender women are 49 times as likely to be living with HIV

- HIV prevalence, all adults
- HIV prevalence, transgender women

Five Facts



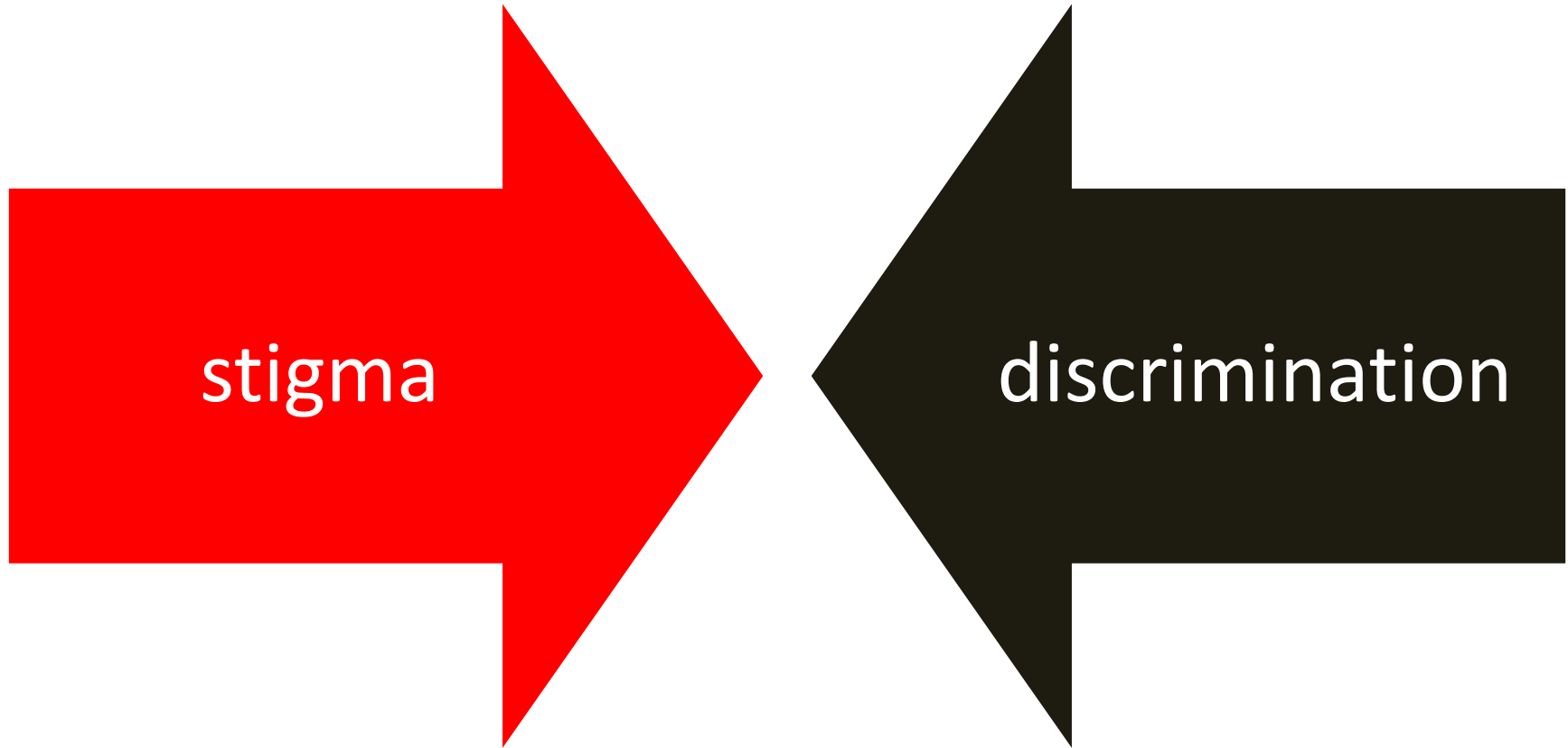
"Health Policy Project, 2016"

Source: Baral, et al., 2013



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Decision: **FIGHT!**



On 2 May, Kihumuro Apuuli, Director General of the Uganda AIDS Commission, stated that, "gays are one of the drivers of HIV in Uganda, but because of meagre resources we cannot direct our programmes at them at this time."

Activists arrested during attempt to highlight Uganda's neglect of HIV prevention for men who have sex with men

GayUganda

i-base

HIV positive Professional Advocate RSS Facebook

HIV TREATMENT BULLETIN

Ugandan activists acquitted of trespass charges after objecting to exclusion of sexual minorities from the national HIV/AIDS programme

30 October 2008. Related: Other news.

On 15th August 2008 at Buganda road court before a fully packed court room that included LGBT activists from Uganda, Rwanda, Kenya and around the world, the prosecution told court that the Director of Public Prosecution has dropped the charges of trespass against Pepe Juliana Onziema, Valentine Kalende and Usaam Mukwaya.

ing Gay, Lesbian, Transgender, Bisexual and other Sexual

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LGBT AIDS Activist Re-arrested, Charges Added

mission that no resources would be who have sex with men.





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High Level Interventions

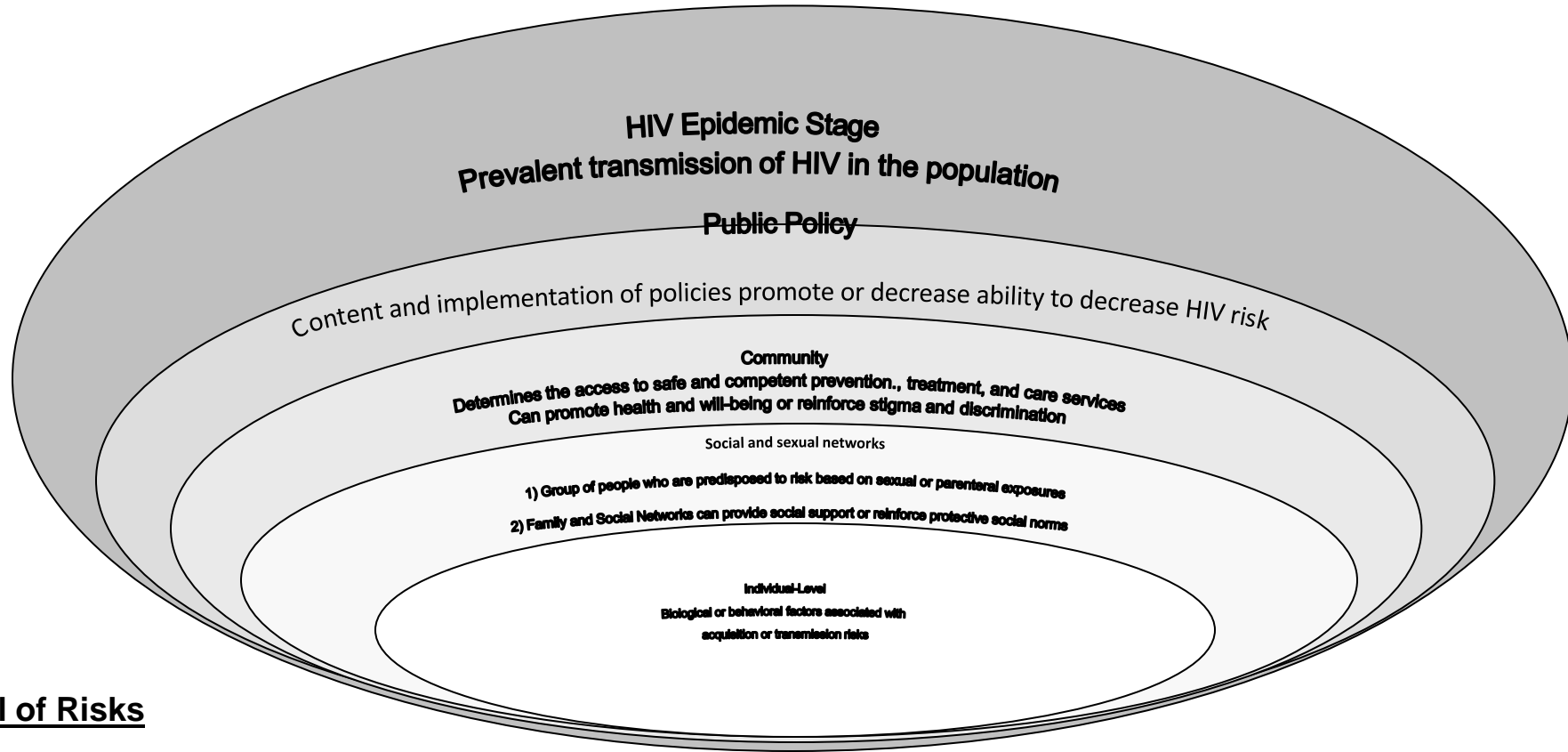
Modified Social Ecological Model



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Generalised Pockets of Hyper-endemicity

Total PLWHA: >6m
New infections 2014: >400,000
Peaked
No. on ARVs: 3m

Why we are here:

Huge, Generalised, Pockets of Hyper infection Prevention not Optimal Hospitals Full Getting to

The Gender Person

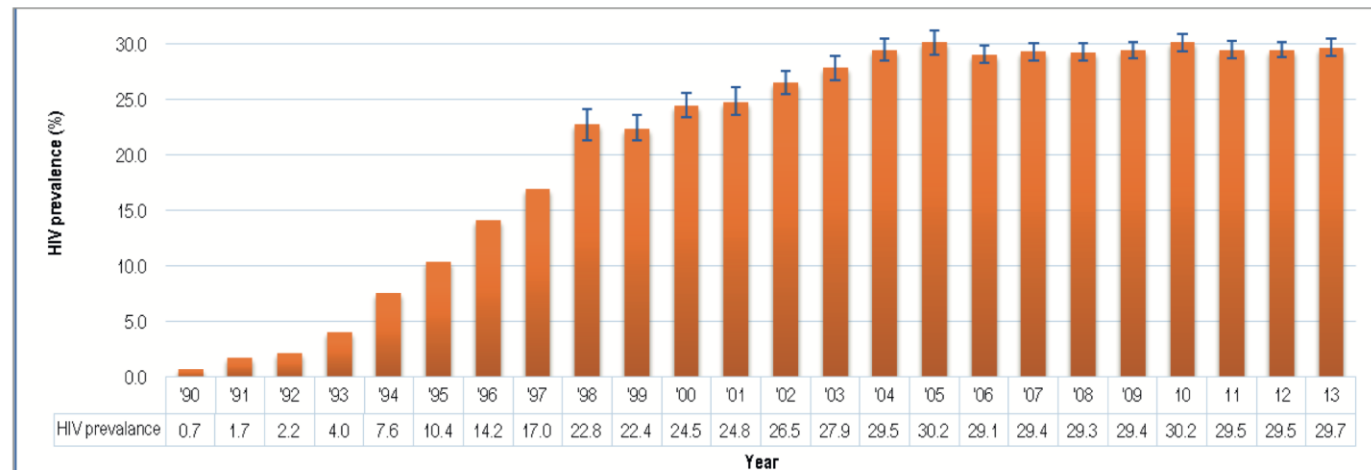
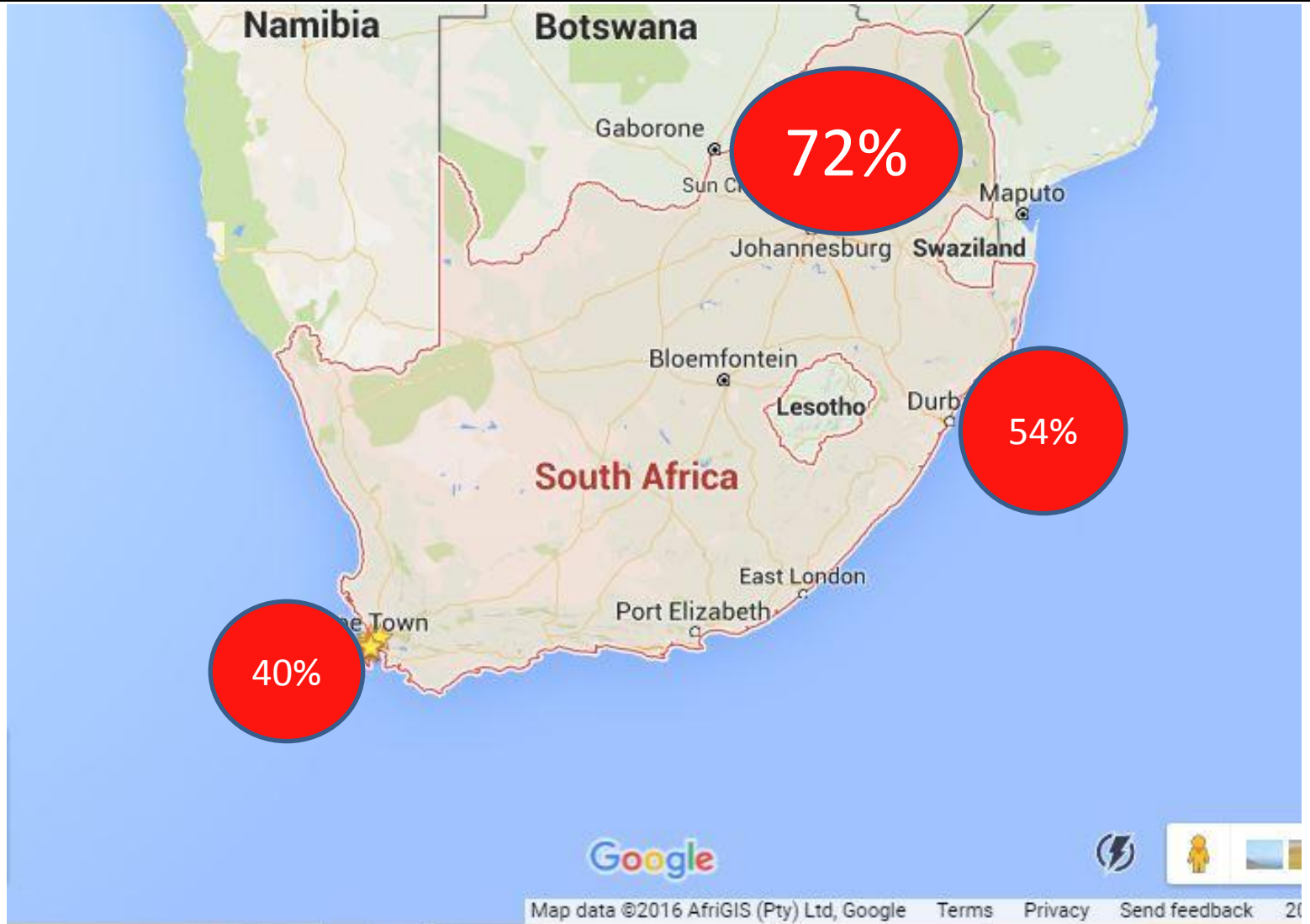
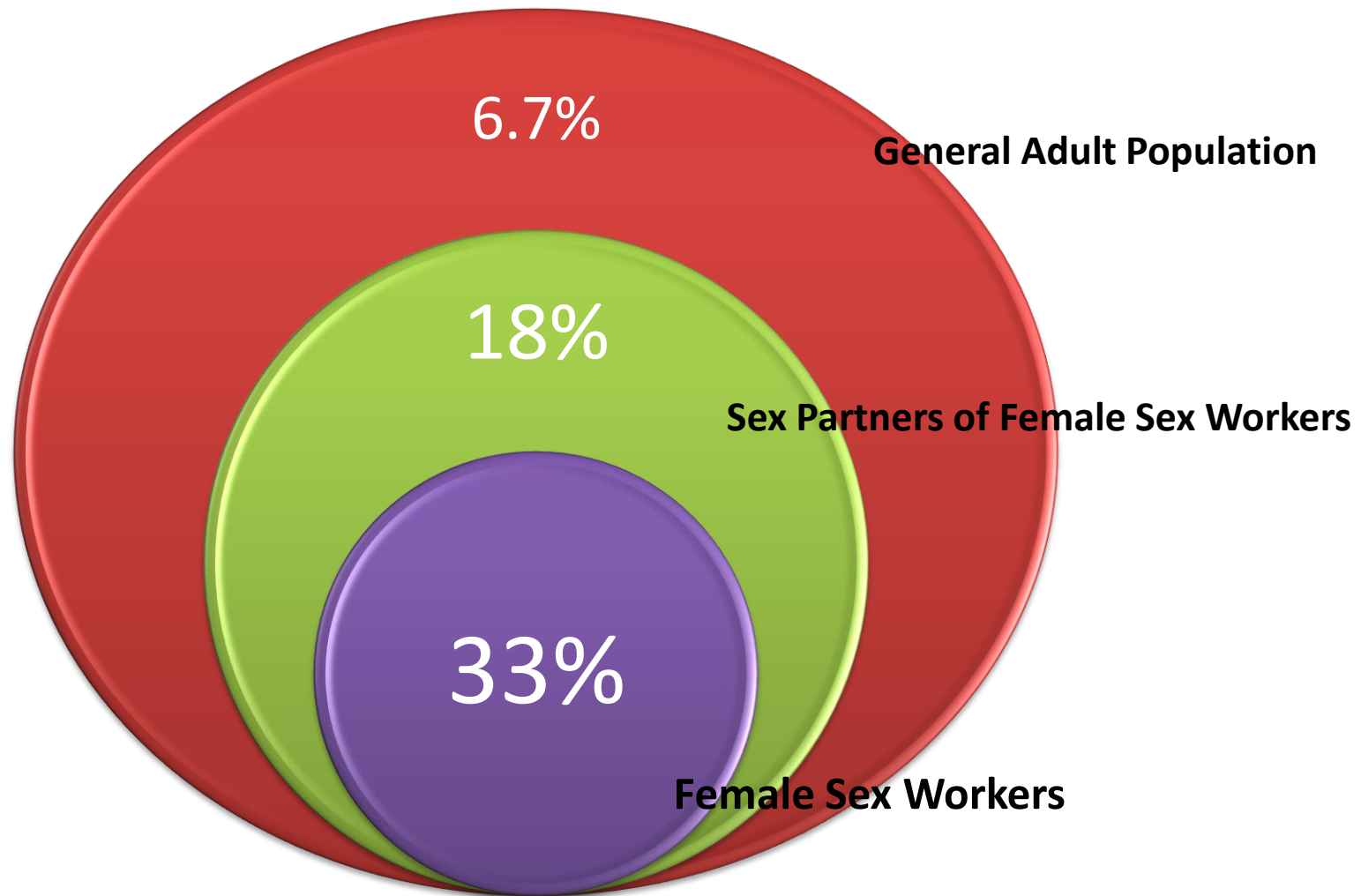


Figure 4: The HIV prevalence estimates trend among antenatal women, SA, 1990 to 2013. (Source: NDoH, 2014).

HIV in Female Sex Workers, South Africa



Key Populations HIV Prevalence. Crane Survey, Kampala 2015



Ramaphosa launches 'historic' plan to aid sex workers

Wim Pretorius | 12 March, 2016 08:11



Deputy President Cyril Ramaphosa at the Highstead official residence in Groote Schuur Estate, Cape Town on 12 February 2016.

Image by: Esa Alexander

Deputy President Cyril Ramaphosa said on Friday it's concerning that, while the Department of Health supplies sex workers with condoms, it is not uncommon for the police to confiscate them.



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09 March 2016

The Southern African HIV Clinicians Society states its support for the decriminalisation of sex work

The Southern African HIV Clinicians Society supports evidence-based law- and policy-making. We believe that South Africa will not reach our own, as well as international, HIV reduction and treatment targets or related public health goals if it does not decriminalise adult sex work.

The Society notes the ongoing vulnerability of sex workers to contracting HIV and developing AIDS within the present socio-legal environment in South Africa and the rest of Africa. Research has established that the HIV prevalence among female sex workers who work with long distance truck drivers along the N3 highway (the KPNS Study) is as high as 88.4%.¹ Similarly, the HIV prevalence among female sex workers in Cape Town, Durban and Johannesburg is between 40-70% (the SAHMS-FSW study)².

BILLS SUPPLEMENT

to the Uganda Gazette No. 47 Volume CII dated 25th September, 2009.

Printed by UPPC, Entebbe by Order of the Government.

Bill No. 18

Anti Homosexuality Bill

2009

THE ANTI HOMOSEXUALITY BILL, 2009.

MEMORANDUM.

1.1. The principle

The object of this Bill is to establish a comprehensive consolidated legislation to protect the traditional family by prohibiting (i) any form of sexual relations between persons of

Assessing the effects of anti-homosexuality legislation in Uganda on HIV prevention, treatment, and care services.

Semugoma P¹, Beyrer C, Baral S.

Author information

Abstract

Uganda's response to the HIV epidemic has been lauded for its robustness and achievements. However, a key component of HIV prevention programming has been missing, for men who have sex with men (MSM). The main reason cited has been criminalization of male homosexual behavior. In 2009, the Anti-Homosexuality Bill (AHB) was introduced in the parliament to enhance existing anti-

Predicted

- Health Workers forced to Report patients
- Inability to have HIV programming for MSM
- Increased hiding, decreased access to care
- Dis-incentive for MSM to test for HIV

Law of the Land

THE ANTI-HOMOSEXUALITY ACT, 2014.

An Act to prohibit any form of sexual relations between persons of the same sex; prohibit the promotion or recognition of such relations and to provide for other related matters.

DATE OF ASSENT:

Date of Commencement:

BE IT ENACTED by Parliament as follows:

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Uganda: Anti-Homosexuality Law Challenged

Petitioners Say Law Violates Constitution, International Law

Print

(Nairobi) – A diverse group of Ugandan individuals and nongovernmental organizations filed a constitutional challenge to the [Anti-Homosexuality Act](#) on March 11, 2014. President Yoweri Museveni signed the bill into law on February 24.

10 challenge anti-homosexuality law

Written by derrick kiyonga

Created: 12 March 2014



The Constitutional court petition filed yesterday by 10 Ugandans is clear and to the point: “the anti-homosexuality law is “draconian” and “unconstitutional.”

The petitioners include Prof Joe Oloka Onyango, MP Fox Odoi-Oywelowo, Andrew Mujuni Mwenda, Prof Ogenga Latigo, Dr Paul Nsubuga Semugooma, Jacqueline Kasha Nabagesera, Julian Pepe Onzimema, Frank Mugisha and Human Rights Awareness & Promotion Forum. Attorney General Peter Nyombi is the only respondent.

The petitioners contend that the passing of the Anti-Homosexuality Act on December 20, 2013 by Parliament was done without quorum, an act which contravened Rule 23 of the parliamentary rules of procedure, articles 2(1) & (2), 88 and 94 (1) of the Constitution of Uganda.



No Discrimination in Health: MoH

Uganda says healthcare is for all despite anti-gay law

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Uganda's health minister says homosexuals will not be discriminated against when accessing healthcare despite the introduction of a tough new anti-gay

Uganda Police Raid HIV/AIDS Clinic Accused Of "Training Youths In Gay Sex"

Uganda Police Raid HIV Program Looking for Gay and Bi Men to Arrest



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Armed with machine guns, batons and pepper spray, police in



US & UGANDA ARGUE OVER 'GAY RECRUITMENT CENTRE'

10 April 2014



The US government dismissed claims that an American-funded HIV/AIDS clinic in Kampala, Uganda, was "recruiting gay people." The Makindya University Walter Reuther Project (MUWRP), a clinic and medical facility in Kampala that provides LGBTI-friendly services, was raided by the authorities on 3 April.

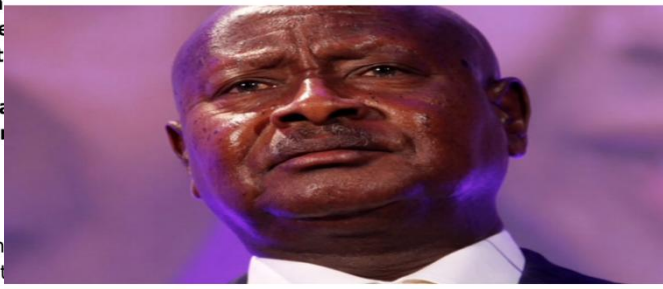
Initially, police denied they had conducted the raid.

telling AP that a man pretending to represent the police had threatened workers at the site and they were now looking for him. In a subsequent press statement, the Ugandan police confirmed they had indeed swooped on the clinic.

Giving out safer-sex educational materials to prevent HIV can send you to prison in Uganda now.

Uganda police: HIV/AIDS group ran 'homosexual recruitment project'

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Uganda President Yoweri Museveni in February signed into law a bill that imposes harsh sentences on LGBT Ugandans. (Photo by the U.K. Department for International Development; courtesy Wikimedia Commons).



A Win!

Uganda court annuls anti-homosexuality law

🕒 1 August 2014 | Africa



▶ Activists celebrated after the anti-gay law was thrown out, reports Andrew Harding

Uganda's Constitutional Court has annulled tough anti-gay legislation signed into law in February.

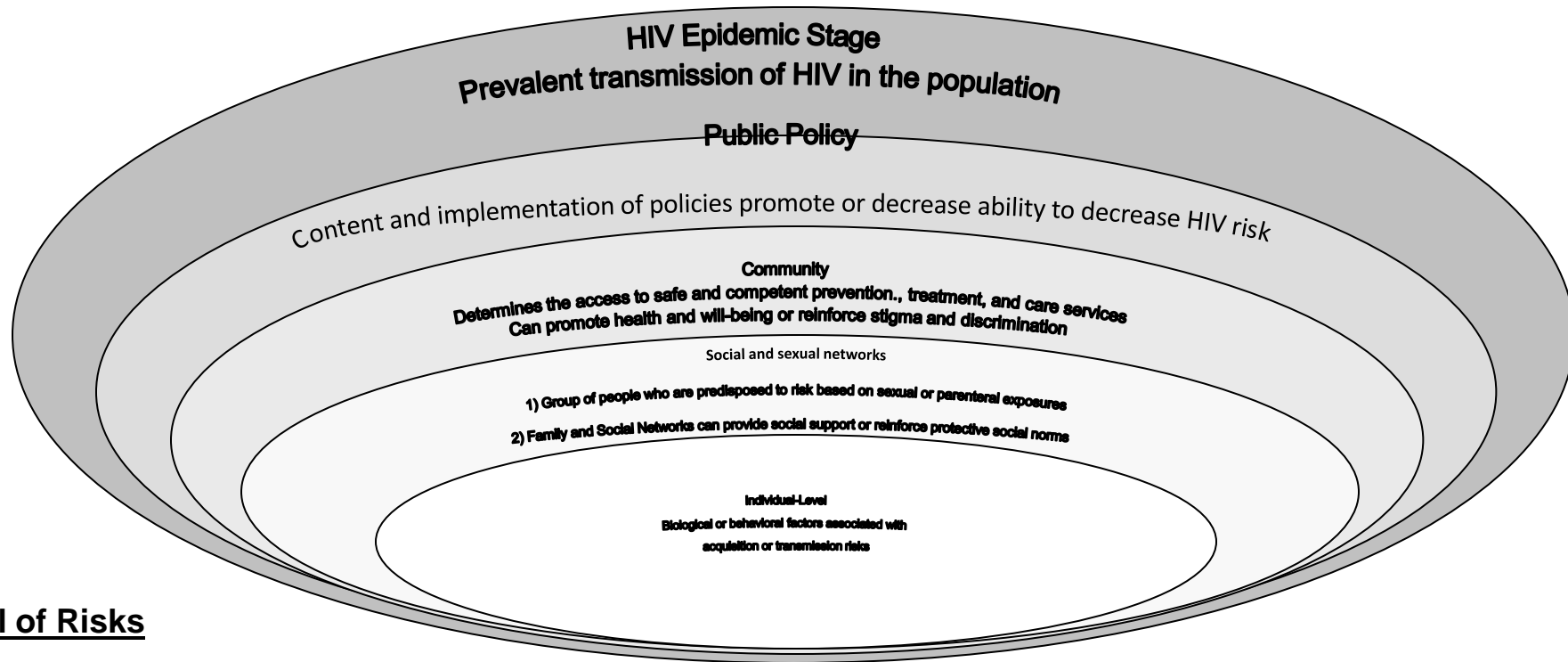
Lower Level Intervention

Stigma Bursting at the Individual,
Community Level



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Levels of HIV Acquisition and Transmission Risks



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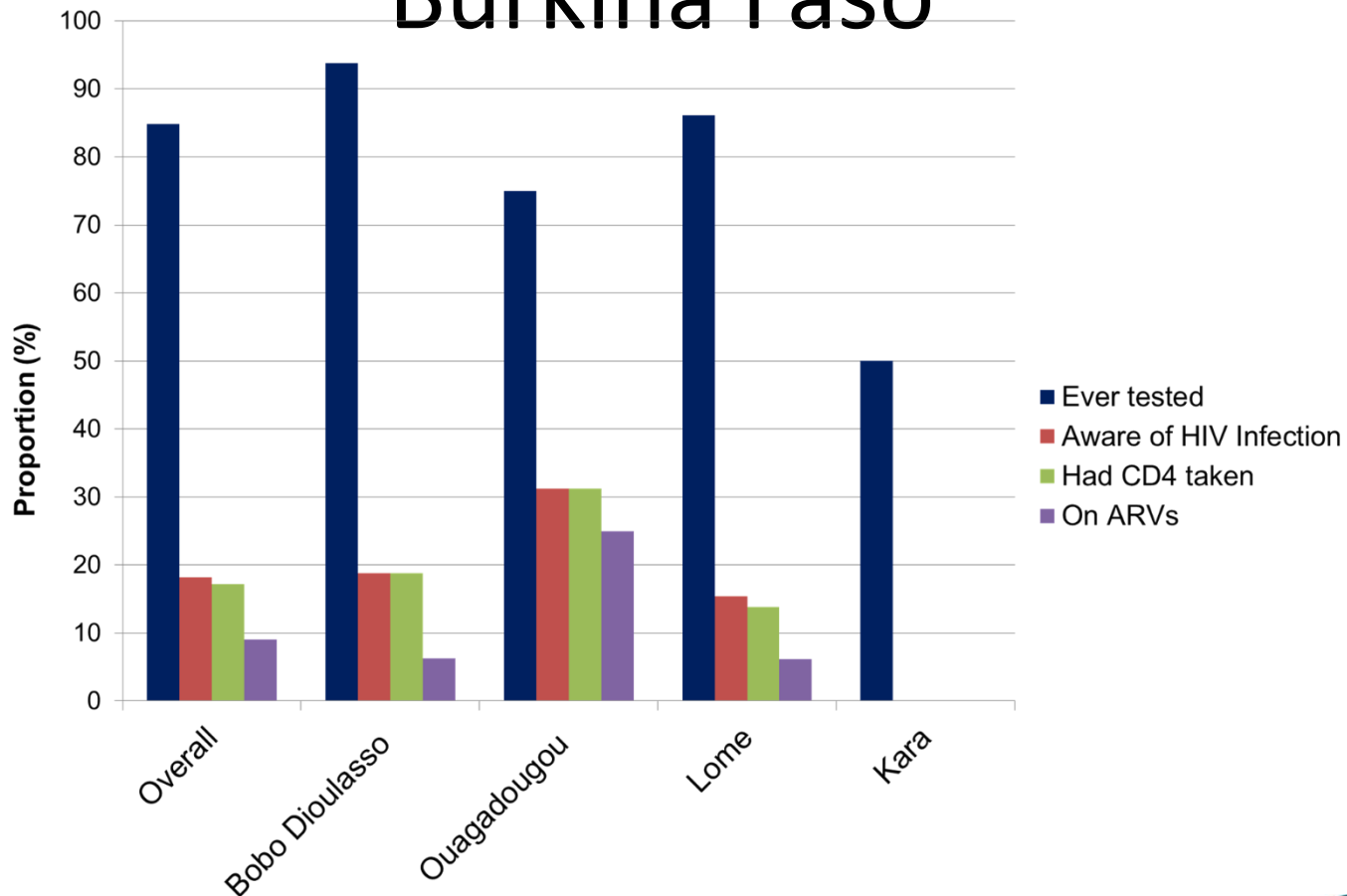
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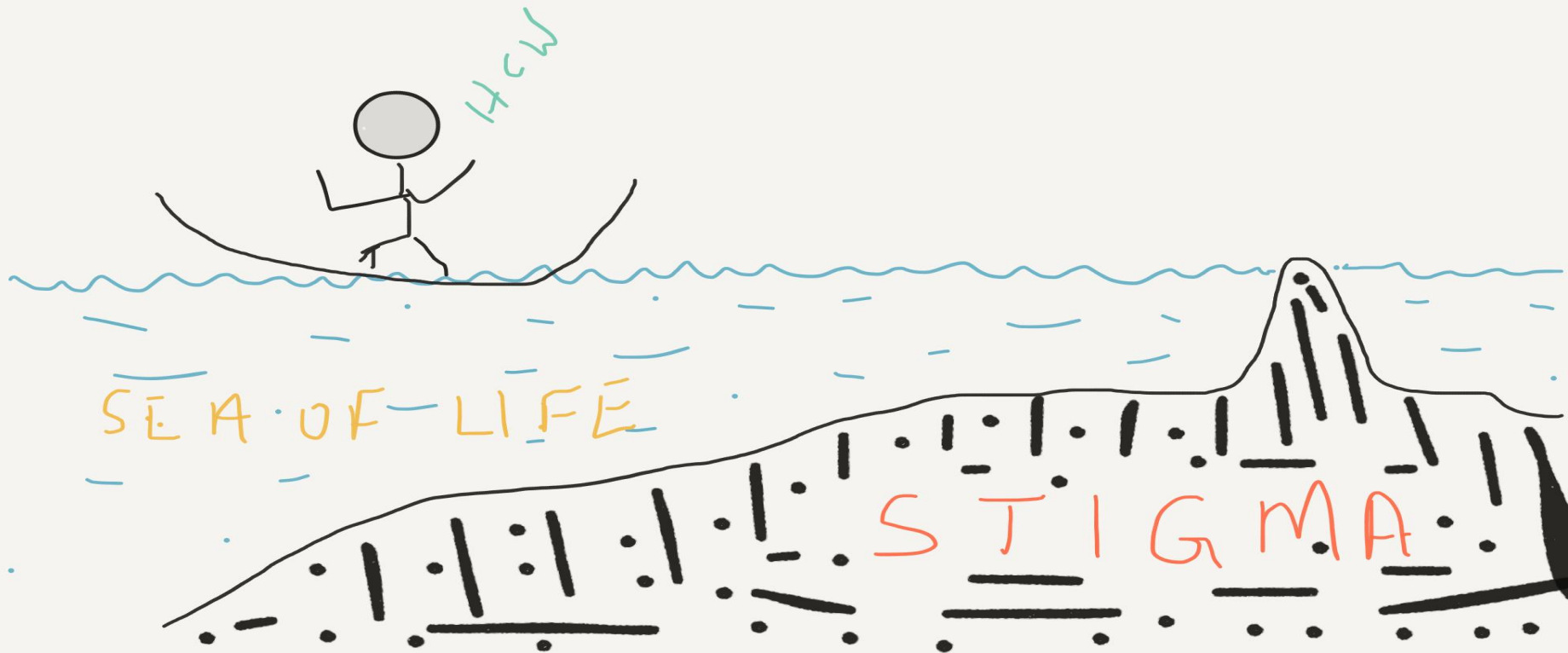
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Engagement in the HIV Care Continuum among MSM in Togo and Burkina Faso





The HCW on The Sea of Life

Role of HCW

- Awareness of Stigma
- Awareness of the layering and multiplicity of Stigma
- Awareness of ETHIC OF SERVICE TO ALL
- Awareness of multiple effects of stigma
- Leadership- At workplace, In Community

Our Stigma Bursting Role

- Information
- Education
- Challenging Discrimination when we see it.
- Looking out for the marginalised
 - MSM, Transgender, Sex Workers, PIDU, Others
- **‘Culture competent Care’**
- Policy Influence

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