



**New Zealand AIDS Foundation**  
Te Tūāpapa Mate Āraikore o Aotearoa

# 2015 Annual Report





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# From NZAF's Chair

Kia ora. This year is the 30th anniversary of the New Zealand AIDS Foundation. NZAF was formed in a very different time to today – a time in which it was illegal for gay men to have anal sex, in which you could be fired from your job simply for being gay, and in which the HIV/AIDS epidemic threatened to rip our community apart.

In the face of all of this, a small group of men and women came together to form and to lead NZAF. I want to pay particular tribute to these men and women, and to those who followed. The achievements and successes of the Foundation over the past three decades have only been possible because of the far-sighted visionaries who decided, in the face of bitter and vicious opposition, to make a difference, to form NZAF, and to fight outdated laws and attitudes. We stand on their shoulders.



NZAF marked its 30th anniversary with events in Auckland, Wellington and Christchurch earlier this year. At those events I was privileged to meet many people from across New Zealand who have contributed to the work of NZAF. They include the many people who have worked or who currently work for NZAF. They also include the volunteers who have freely given NZAF their time and energy – from board members to condom packers, Big Gay Out volunteers, financial donors, people standing out on the street collecting money for world AIDS Day and many others as well. Thank you all for your passion and commitment to NZAF.

For me, NZAF has been particularly successful in preventing the spread of HIV in the gay community, because it's been a community response to a community problem. It's gay men coming together to prevent the spread of HIV. It's gay men coming together to support their friends and lovers who have HIV. It's gay men campaigning against stigma, and for the same basic rights that everyone else has.

For 30 years, our message has been simple. Wear a condom. It's a simple message that's been remarkably effective. The number of men who have sex with men in New Zealand who have HIV is 6.5% – half that of Australia and less than a third that of San Francisco. New Zealand has done better than almost every other country in the world when it comes to HIV.

But we cannot be complacent. HIV is slowly rising again in our community. What's more, new technologies have been developed, and the science has evolved. NZAF needs to change, adapt, and to be responsive to the world today.

Over the past twelve months, the board has reviewed and updated NZAF's prevention strategy. In a nutshell, it's 'condoms-plus'.

Condoms remain our primary prevention message, and deliberately so. They are already widespread, they are highly effective at preventing HIV, they also prevent other STIs such as chlamydia and gonorrhoea, they are cheap and easy to access and, most importantly, they are the primary reason why we have half the number of infections that Australia does. Condoms work. We have a 'love your condom' culture, and NZAF will continue to make condom use the most visible and widely present part of our prevention message.

The second major plank of our strategy is to ramp up HIV and STI testing. NZAF ran its first national testing month this year. Testing is critical, because it means people who test positive can start treatment earlier.

The third strategy focus is immediate access to treatment. New scientific evidence has demonstrated that the immediate commencement of treatment makes a real difference to a person's health. There's also a broader, public health benefit: if you have an undetectable viral load, the chances of passing on HIV reduce dramatically. NZAF is lobbying Pharmac to remove the CD4 threshold, which is stopping early access to treatment.

More testing and treatment is a great thing, but HIV is most infectious in its early stages. That's when it's hardest to detect in a test. That means that if we as a community rely on testing and treatment alone, we will not win this battle. If condom use falls while we promote testing and treatment, then we will go backwards. It's got to be a 'condoms-and' message, not a 'no-need-for-condoms' message.

The fourth part of the strategy is PreP. That's the use of drugs by people without HIV to prevent themselves from being infected. NZAF is working with the Ministry of Health, Pharmac and Auckland Sexual Health to try and get a PrEP demonstration project off the ground in New Zealand. However, while there will be real benefits from the targeted use of PreP in New Zealand, we cannot let it undermine our condom message, or we will not succeed in reducing HIV infections.

The fifth part to our strategy is making sure that people are informed. NZAF has done a great job in promoting its Love Your Condom campaign, but we also need to make sure that we're getting the underlying information about HIV out there.

And finally, it is critical that we continue to engage with our communities. The board is closely supported by its Maori advisory group, Te Rōpū ki a Tau o Te Waka. NZAF is also building long term partnerships with tangata whenua through the Hui Takatāpui movement, and with Pacific peoples through the Love Life Fono movement.

In addition, the board is conscious about New Zealand's changing ethnic mix. I'm pleased that the board has committed more resources and funding this year for NZAF to engage with Asian communities, who make up an ever increasing portion of our population.

The board has also formed a Positive Peoples Advisory Group, to make sure that NZAF is sufficiently responsive to the needs of people living with HIV. We've also been building stronger relationships with other organisations in the HIV sector, and in particular Body Positive and Positive Women.

And of course, the Foundation's role isn't limited to the gay community. We're particularly concerned about HIV in African communities. One of the key initiatives we've undertaken this year is to reboot our African Advisory Group, with a view to developing the full leadership potential of that group.

After 30 years, we continue to face challenging times ahead. I am confident that, with your support and commitment, NZAF is well-placed to face those challenges, to make a difference in preventing the spread of HIV and supporting our friends and lovers who have HIV. Thank you for your support and for making a difference.

David Friar – **Trust Board Chair**



# From NZAF's Executive Director

NZAF's 30th year has been marked by a heady mix: science, the reach of the internet and the power of human interactions have combined in our on-going response to HIV.

An unprecedented amount of new science has emerged, which has given greater focus to the need to increase testing and to create immediate access to medications for people living with HIV. The START trial has shown that this has major health benefits for the individual and the PARTNER Study confirmed that medication's effect on suppressed viral load has a significant prevention benefit.

The IPERGAY and PROUD study results showed that PrEP could also be an effective targeted prevention tool. However, alongside these new developments, UN AIDS and the World Health

Organisation have strongly reaffirmed the centrality of condoms to

prevention, reminding us that 50 million infections have been prevented by their use. NZAF has assimilated all of this into its work with a balanced approach that combines the new with the tried and true.



Condom promotion through the Love Your Condom programme had a highly successful year with the "Gear Up" campaign – the advertisements and messages were seen over 60 million times during the year. As we develop the next phases of LYC, the team are digging deeper into the needs and motivations of different groups of gay and bisexual men, including "first timers" and highly sexualised men.

Engaging with the community is about making human connections, imparting knowledge and building community resilience. The team has developed new resources, training programmes and relationships. As the community demographics change, so NZAF has reached out. Last year's Hui Takatāpui was the biggest and best yet and its momentum continues. This year's Love Life Fono is set to take the journey of the rainbow Pacifika vaka to new horizons. It has also been great to see the network of Asian MSM growing.

The marketing expertise we apply to Love Your Condom has also been turned to promote HIV testing; we have now doubled our volume of tests in five years and are delivering over 3000 rapid tests a year. In the process we reminded gay and bisexual men of some of the key facts about HIV and nearly 10,000 guys have viewed this on-line, with a large number going on to test. Testing has become so successful and has stimulated demand for counselling to the point where we have to look at how we can do more with the resources we have.

Increased testing calls for increased access to medications so that people gain the health and prevention benefits of undetectable viral load. NZAF has been encouraging PHARMAC to remove the CD4 threshold for medications and lobbying the MOH to adopt increased testing and medication access goals. The signs are good that real progress will occur in the next year.

HIV has to be seen in the context of wider sexual health for gay men. NZAF has partnered with sexual health services in three different locations to alert the MSM community to syphilis outbreaks through our on-line networks.

The internet can be a very human tool – working with Positive Women Inc. and the Positive Speakers Bureau, NZAF extended the series of on-line videos of people living with HIV telling their stories. These have been viewed 25,000 times raising awareness of stigma and HIV.

NZAF has also been working in partnership with other organisations to try to get a PrEP demonstration project off the ground. The project will enrol men at high risk of acquiring HIV and will be clinically supervised by sexual health physicians.

The African programme has also been highly active and incorporated the changing approaches into its strategy. Stigma reduction and increased testing now sit strongly alongside condom promotion.

In a time of change, it is easy to forget what is valuable from the past. Our work does not do that; it adds the new to the benefits of what has been established over 30 years. NZAFs' 30th celebrations demonstrated this through the diversity of those who participated; old hands, new supporters, and all the ethnicities that now make up our community attended the events. It was humbling and moving to hear the many stories from those 30 years.

Of course this report would not be complete without mentioning the sad loss of our friend and colleague Vern Keller, who passed away suddenly this year. His work in our information service leaves a strong legacy. He is sadly missed.

Despite the fact that new HIV diagnoses did rise in 2014, our efforts do keep HIV at much lower levels than it would otherwise be. Our aim is to bring those infections right down. I am confident that with the integrated work we are doing, and with your help, we will be successful.

Shaun Robinson – **Executive Director**

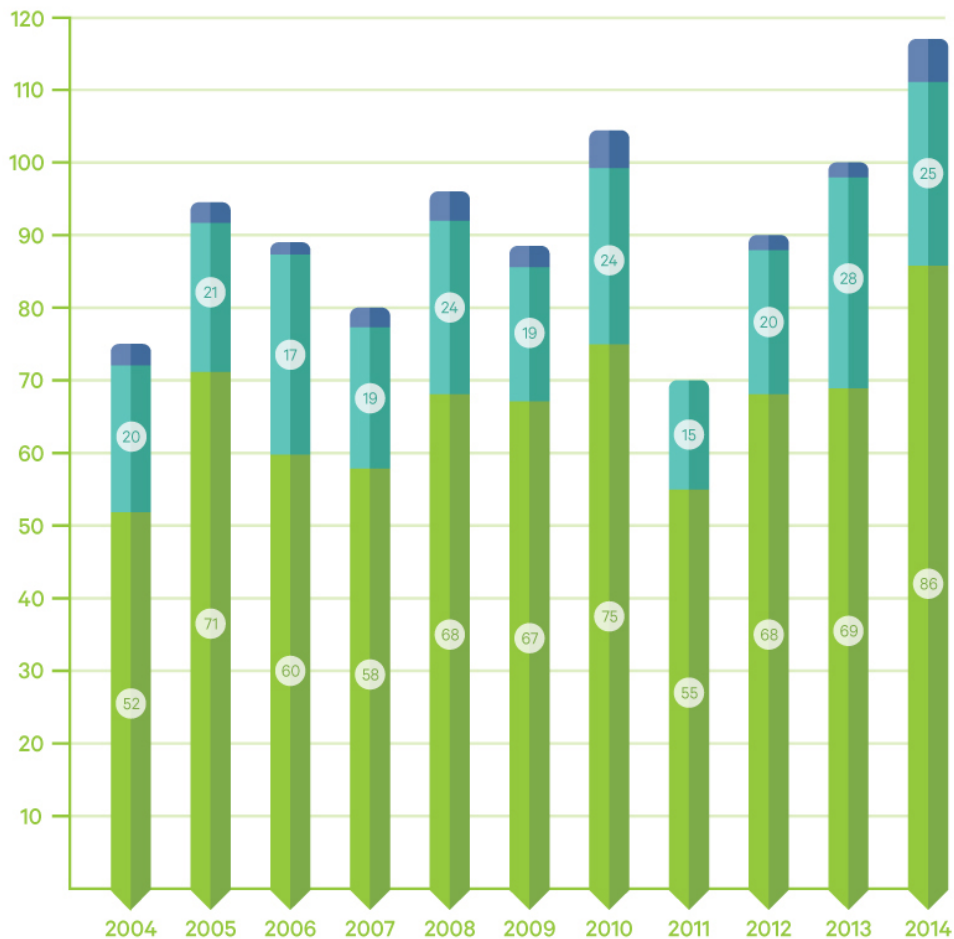
# HIV in New Zealand

Last year, New Zealand saw a rise in the number of people diagnosed with HIV — 217 new diagnoses were reported. This is higher than any year since 2008.

## Gay and bisexual men

Gay and bisexual men continue to be the most affected group (136 of the 217 diagnoses). The 2014 increase in diagnoses for gay and bisexual men presents a real concern. Though it still remains to be seen if this is a long term trend or not, it confirms the need for increased HIV prevention awareness in the community and to ramp up prevention action.

The Foundation is committed to using every tool available, including condom use, testing, treatment, PrEP and counselling, in a balanced combination, to prevent HIV in New Zealand.



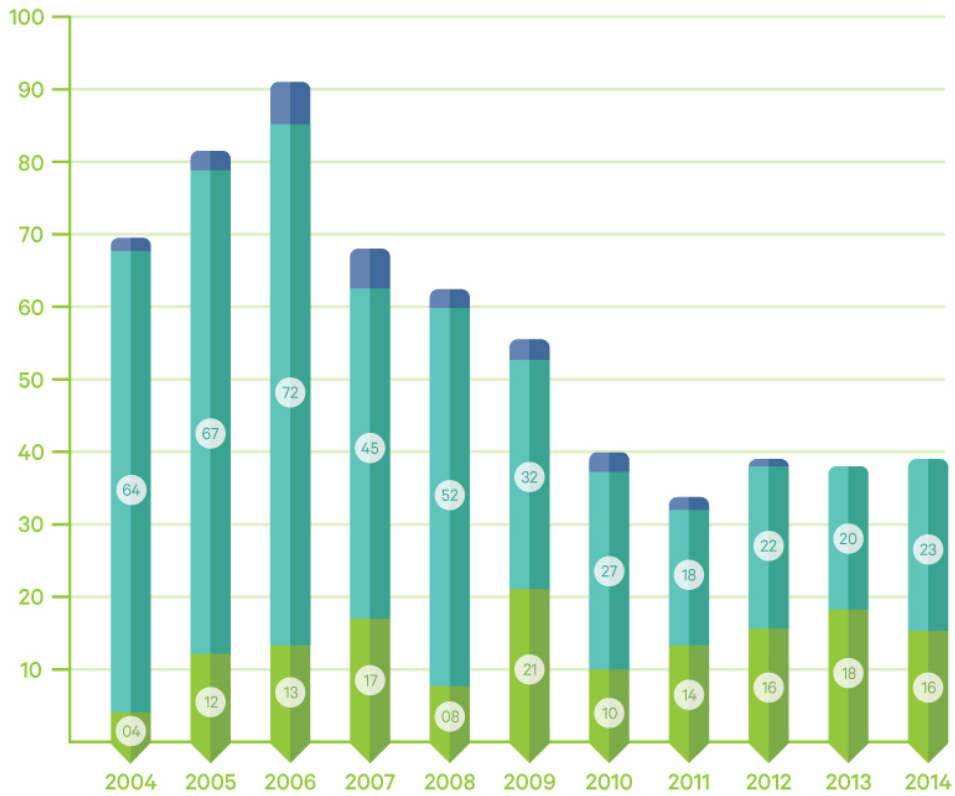
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- Infected in New Zealand






## Heterosexual men and women

For heterosexual men and women the pattern has been a consistent trend of approximately 40 new diagnoses a year. Half of these infections occurred overseas.



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# HIV Prevention

A lot has changed in the last few years; new science shows that medications can significantly add to existing prevention tools and help to drive down new infections. New Zealand urgently needs policy changes to enable us to take advantage of these opportunities. We also need a national plan to end HIV so that the sector can be co-ordinated in its approach. The Ministry of Health is working on an action plan for sexual and reproductive health, which will include HIV. We are lobbying for this to be responsive to the needs of our communities.

## Prevention Framework



Condoms



Testing



Treatment



PrEP

## Condoms



Condoms are the key element in prevention. Their widespread use is responsible for the low prevalence of HIV amongst gay and bisexual men in New Zealand. LYC and the wider NZAF team are exploring new ways to foster a culture of condom-use.

Particular focus is being given to the thousands of young gay and bisexual Kiwi men who become sexually active every year and to the 50% of highly sexually active men who are not regular condom users. To be effective we need to understand the community in greater depth by talking to people and conducting research into barriers to condom-use.

Along with ongoing social marketing of a condom-culture, we are also working to improve knowledge of HIV risk factors.

- LYC had over 30,000 social media followers and a reach of over 100,000
- LYC's website – [www.loveyourcondom.co.nz](http://www.loveyourcondom.co.nz) - attracted 400,000 unique visitors and approximately 1,600,000 page views each month
- LYC advertising impressions (print, online and outdoor) totalled over 60,000,000
- 660,000 free condoms were distributed
- LYC participated in a total of 91 events, reaching over 300,000 participants





## Testing



Increased testing to reduce undiagnosed and late-diagnosed HIV is now the biggest intervention we can undertake (in addition to condom promotion) to impact the epidemic. Testing and immediate treatment for those diagnosed with HIV is a key priority because we know that it significantly improves individual health and substantially reduces the chances of the virus being passed on.

Our health service will expand testing even further and focus on testing gay and bisexual men who are most at risk.



- 3097 HIV tests were provided through the NZAF Health Service – a 25% increase on the previous year
- During our inaugural National HIV Testing Month the number of gay and bisexual men who tested for HIV increased 130% compared to a normal month
- Testing occurred in new venues and events, including sex-on-site venues, LYC Big Gay Out and Hui Takatāpui
- Collaboration increased with other services, including GP practices, Māori health services, African organisations, DHB sexual health services and Body Positive

## Treatment



The science is clear that beginning HIV medication early is beneficial for individual health and for reducing infectivity. New Zealand's current CD4 threshold policy means that some people with HIV cannot take advantage of these benefits.

In response to the START study, which showed significant health improvements for people who start treatment immediately, the World Health Organisation has recommended all countries remove CD4 thresholds. We have made it clear to PHARMAC and the Ministry of Health that New Zealand needs to remove the threshold with urgency.

New Zealand needs to adopt the UN AIDS goals of 90% diagnosed, 90% on treatment and 90% with undetectable viral load.

Individuals living with HIV also need to be supported to access clinical care and to stay on their medications. We will be working closely with Body Positive and other partners to ensure this support is available.

- NZAF used science around personal health and prevention benefits to lobby PHARMAC to remove the CD4 threshold for accessing HIV medications.
- We helped to fund the Body Positive "Navigator" pilot to support people diagnosed with HIV to access and remain on treatment.
- We advocated for the UNAIDS 90-90 90 target to be adopted by New Zealand.

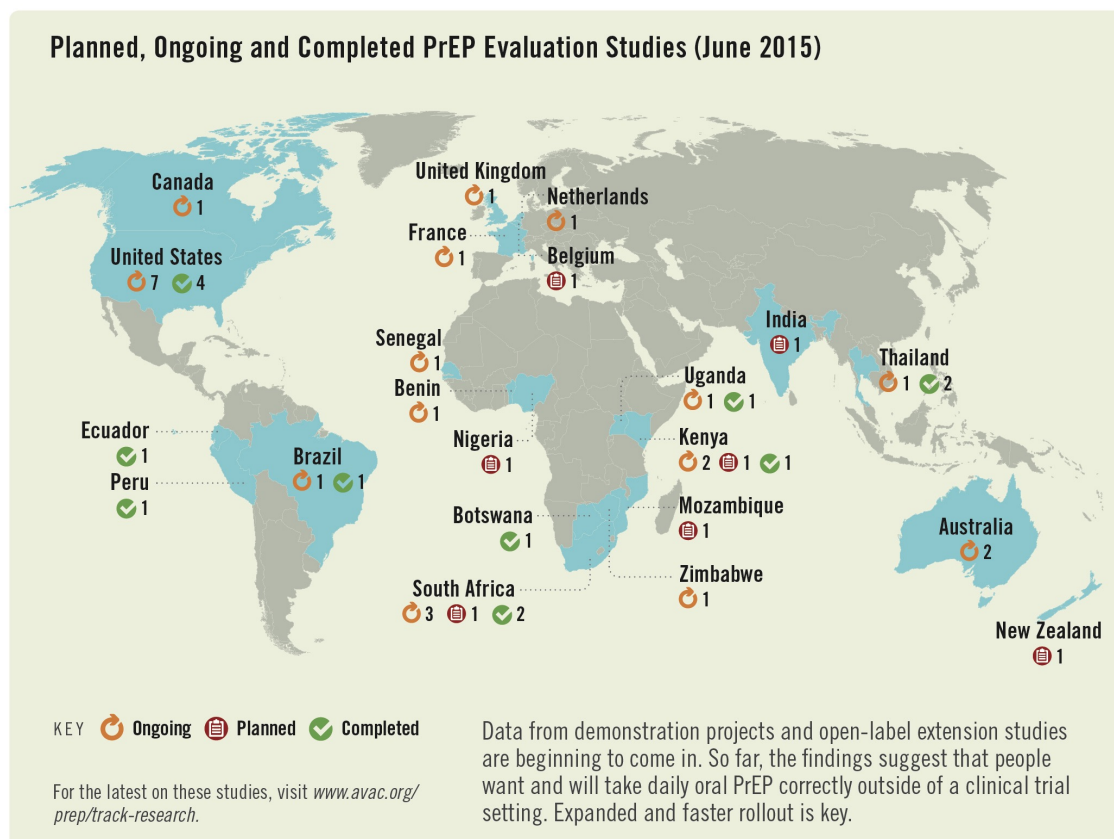
## PrEP



Pre-exposure prophylaxis or PrEP refers to the use of HIV medication by people who are HIV-negative, in order to reduce their risk of HIV infection. There is a role for PrEP in New Zealand for gay and bisexual men who are at high risk. PrEP does not protect people from other STIs and requires a medical prescription as well as regular clinical monitoring of adherence, STIs and HIV status.

We are working with Auckland Sexual Health Services to get a PrEP demonstration project underway in Auckland.

- NZAF initiated work on a PrEP demonstration project based in Auckland Sexual Health Service
- We advocated for the targeted use of PrEP within New Zealand policy on HIV





# Engaging with a Diverse Community

Our community engagement team is often the human face of LYC and NZAF. They help build the relationships with venues, other supportive organisations and the many volunteers who make our work truly effective in the community. From distributing 660,000 condoms, to being the visible face of LYC at events such as pride, gay ski week, dance parties and the Big Gay Out, to running workshops on HIV, the team is key to NZAF being part of the community. We are mindful of the cultural and ethnic diversity of New Zealand

## Takatāpui



Twenty-eight years ago the first Hui Takatāpui organisers found it difficult to find a marae that would accept them. In 2014 the Hui was hosted by Iwi Tainui and was endorsed and blessed by King Tuheitia. The four day Hui welcomed over 150 takatāpui from all over the motu.



The Hui is an opportunity to korero about issues related to takatāpuitanga – our roles and responsibilities to ensure our whānau are safe and informed in an environment that nurtures whanaungatanga, hauora me nga tikanga o tatou matua tupuna and embraces our diversity.

We were honoured to have the Honourable Nanaia Mahuta and the Honourable Louisa Wall attend and korero ki te iwi, adding to the mahi of the takatāpui organising committee and all who shared in building awareness, understanding and acceptance in the Waikato and beyond.

- A collection of poignant stories has been compiled into a book entitled 'Takatāpui'. It aims to build more awareness and understanding of HIV, and to ultimately build a more resilient community.
- Liaison began to discuss testing opportunities with Ngati Whatua Health Services in Auckland and Kokiri Marae in Wellington
- Community partnerships were established with a new Takatāpui Kapa Haka support group being developed. Ahakoa Te Aha is steadily growing

## Asian



24% (27) of 114 gay and bisexual men diagnosed with HIV in 2013 and 15% (20) of 136 gay and bisexual men diagnosed with HIV in 2014 were of Asian ethnicities. In recognising the importance of effective engagement, the role of Asian Community Engagement Coordinator was created in early 2015.

Since then, much work has been done with universities, tertiary student bodies and private tertiary institutes. Our aim is to create a network of Asian men who have sex with men and to equip them with knowledge about HIV and sexual health.

- Collaboration and participation with community groups and events that reach gay and bisexual Asian men has begun, including EquAsian, AuSM Orientation Week and AUSA SHAG (Sexual Health and Guidance) Week



## Pacific



LYC has established community partnerships with both grass roots community leaders and Rainbow Pasifika support services to design and deliver a culturally relevant programme that uses a pro-Pasifika kaupapa. Fa'afafine and many of our other Pacific third gender people are an accepted and, in some cases, revered component of Pacific communities and families.



Working in partnership has allowed us to strengthen the message of prevention and deliver that message in a culturally appropriate manner. Many of NZAF's approaches to HIV awareness and prevention have been owned by the community in addition to other areas of support identified by Rainbow Pasifika. This task has involved coordinating a national approach that includes delegates from Wellington, Hamilton and Christchurch, in addition to cultural advisors from the broader Pacific region, including Samoa, Tonga, Niue, Cook Islands, Fiji, Tokelau and Tuvalu.

The biennial LYC conference, the Love Life Fono, is in its tenth year and is to be delivered in December of this year.





- Pacific agency partnerships were established and maintained (AUT Rainbow Pacific Support, Youthline Manukau and Mangere East Family Services)
- Sponsorship and support of events included Urbanesia Pasifika Arts Festival, Urban Threads, FAFSWAG BALL all, Auckland Pride Festival (Queer Resistance art exhibition, Pasifika Picnic and NXT15 Youth Conference) and Pasifika Festival
- We continued collaboration with the Village Collective (Pacific Youth Conference), The Project, Le Va – Suicide Prevention (Rainbow Pasifika), AUT Pacific Student Services, Pacific House and Victoria University
- We engaged with youth and families through the Pasifika Youth Sexual Health Promotion Programme and Family Life Education

## African



In New Zealand, African communities remain the second largest population affected by HIV. NZAF's Love Cover Protect (LCP) programme serves the community through ongoing engagement around condom use and safe sexual practices. Nearly 15,000 people attended HIV education sessions and events

- A Love Cover Protect App was developed
- Over 9,500 people engaged via social media
- Work is underway on a testing hub in West Auckland



The programme is assisted by the African Advisory Group. This year the group developed a renewed strategic direction:

1. Condom promotion to be maintained
2. Increased focus to be placed on testing and supporting people to access treatment and care
3. Significant attention to be given to HIV stigma reduction
4. Support to be developed for Africans living with HIV
5. More focus to be placed on the 30 plus age group as this is where HIV prevalence occurs
6. The programme to work with partners/collaborators to achieve its strategy
7. The African Advisory group to publicly champion the programme



# People Living with HIV

**Supporting people living with HIV and those affected by the virus is a critical part of NZAF's mission. We provide a range of services; advocate on policy and stigma reduction; and work collaboratively with peer support organisations.**

## Governance and guidance

The NZAF Board has worked to ensure that its membership includes trustees who are living with HIV. To augment this and provide feedback and advice to the organisation, a Positive People's Advisory Group was formed, made up of people who have had some engagement with NZAF.

## Counselling and support



NZAF provides services to people living with HIV (PLHIV), their whānau and families, to support them to live productive lives. Each year we provide counselling to several hundred people affected by HIV and provide some kind of service to around 400 PLHIV.

People living with HIV told us that counselling was not fully addressing their sense of isolation. They asked for group experiences to be developed and we have responded with a range of support groups around the country. Some are structured and explore key issues with a facilitator, others are more participant led. In all cases we try to respond to group members' needs.

Along with supporting the events of Positive Women Inc and Body Positive, NZAF works with other organisations in the sector to hold a yearly South Island Positive People's retreat. Open to HIV positive men and women in the South Island, this was a full house in 2014.

NZAF has also helped to fund Body Positive's pilot "Navigator" project, which supports people diagnosed with HIV to connect with clinical care and other services.



## Advocacy



### **Earlier access to HIV medications**

People living with HIV continue to face a barrier to access HIV medications. The current PHARMAC policy does not allow a person with HIV to access medication until their CD4 count has dropped to 500.

This policy is now out of date, with new science clearly showing that starting medication soon after being diagnosed is beneficial for both individual health and for reducing the risk of onward transmission. We have advocated strongly for the removal of the threshold and are optimistic that change is coming soon.

### **Reducing HIV-related stigma**

HIV-related stigma is a significant challenge in responding to HIV in New Zealand, yet it is often cloaked in silence. Stigma adds to isolation, fear and misinformation about HIV. It can be a significant barrier to people testing and staying in clinical care.

Sharing real experiences of HIV can be a simple and powerful way of countering such stigma.

In collaboration with Positive Women Inc., we developed a series of short videos that captured some of the stories of people living with HIV, the stigma they have experienced and their hopes for a world without stigma. The video stories cumulatively attracted over 30,000 views through NZAF's online channels.

Along with Positive Women Inc. we also commissioned Colmar Brunton to conduct research to gain insights into Kiwis' attitudes towards HIV. The findings were telling.

Despite knowing key facts about HIV transmission, people still discriminate. For example, though respondents were aware that HIV is not transmitted through everyday physical contact or proximity with someone living with HIV, the same people (42% of those surveyed) said they would feel uncomfortable flatting with someone living with HIV.

# Research and Science

**NZAFs programme has always been grounded in a sound analysis of science and research.**

## Key changes in science

Science around HIV medication is changing fast. In a dynamic environment, we have made a careful assessment of new developments so that we are well-informed of innovations in the available range of options and tools to prevent HIV.

- The START Trial has shown that immediate ART treatment upon diagnosis has significant health benefits for individuals.
- The HPTN052 and PARTNER studies have shown that viral load suppression as a result of ART (antiretroviral therapy) significantly reduces the risk of HIV transmission.
- The Iprex, PROUD, and Ipergay studies have showed that, if taken as prescribed, PrEP can be highly effective in preventing HIV transmission.
- The WHO and UN AIDS restated the vital role of condom-use in combination with biomedical prevention.

## Sharing Knowledge



### **International AIDS Conference 2014**

NZAF had a strong presence at the International AIDS Conference in Melbourne where we both learned from others and were well-received for our innovative condom promotion and testing programmes.

### **New Zealand Sexual Health Society Conference 2014**

NZAF were invited to this conference to speak about our social marketing programme to prevent HIV among gay and bisexual men.

## 30th Anniversary HIV Clinical Update 2015

NZAF made significant contributions to this ASHM meeting with presentations on epidemiology, prevention strategy, social marketing and PrEP.



## Insight and Evaluation



## NZAF research fellowship

Funded by a bequest, this fellowship supported Dr Peter Saxton's research in the Gay Men's Sexual Health Unit of the Auckland University School of Population Health. His research with gay and bisexual men has included analysis of the links between attitudes and condom use, awareness of sexuality in primary health organisations, and analysis of sexual behaviour change over the life the epidemic.

The insights from the Gay Auckland Periodic Sex Survey (GAPSS) and Gay Online Sex Survey (GOSS) continue to add depth to our understanding and guide our programme development. It was gratifying to see that attitudes to condoms were a strong predictor of actual condom use, that 80% of men use condoms with casual partners, that 50% of highly sexually active men are using condoms regularly and that there was a strong link between exposure to the LYC condom promotion and actual condom use.



## **Formative research**

Highly sexually active gay and bisexual men and high-risk men are priority audiences for our social marketing. We are currently undertaking formative research to better understand the barriers and benefits of using condoms, PrEP, testing for HIV, and starting treatment among this group. This information will be used to better frame our behaviour-change programmes in ways that are meaningful to high-risk men.

## **Goodbye to Vern Keller**



In April 2015 NZAFs long serving Librarian Vern Keller died suddenly. This was a great loss to the organisation as Vern had worked in his role for over 20 years and was a much loved member of staff.

# Organisational Strength

**NZAF is a robust and community focussed organisation. We continue to improve internal collaboration and cohesion. The expansion of HIV rapid testing is a key example of how the networks of the community team, the marketing expertise of the communication staff and the clinical skill of the health service combined to increase testing by 25%.**

## Collaboration



NZAF has worked collaboratively with other organisations to serve people living with HIV across New Zealand and to ensure our services are aligned with global best practices. As a community-centred organisation, we are committed to forging and nurturing our relationships with organisations to work together in preventing HIV in New Zealand.

Our board and their collaboration with Body Positive, Positive Women Inc, INA, the African Advisory Group and Te Rōpū ki a Tau o te Waka has continued to strengthen. Additionally, we have collaborated with health practitioners to share knowledge and improve services and support to PLWHIV.

These collaborations include:

- Regular meetings and ongoing dialogue with Body Positive, Positive Women Inc and INA.
- Working with Te Whāriki Takapou and the collective to organise a Maori HIV symposium in 2016.
- Establishing a PLWHIV advisory group to advise the board and provide feedback on the needs of people living with HIV. The group has met twice during this period.
- Consultation and discussion with a range of clinical and sector stakeholders to inform process and content of feedback on Sexual Health Action Plan.
- Briefing officials on the role of Pre Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) use of HIV medications in the New Zealand context

- Gaining agreement from PHARMAC and MoH officials about progress towards a trial PrEP project, including advising on its implications for clinical guidelines and policy
- Convening the HIV Forum of clinical practitioners, Government officials, people living with HIV – and others as relevant – to co-ordinate a response to HIV
- Health services staff attending GP conferences to provide information and attending various training programmes to stay updated on HIV knowledge

## Volunteers and community support



The Foundation is grateful to have the support of engaged and enthusiastic people who generously give their time during events and regularly at weekly condom packing activities. It would be difficult to accomplish what we do without their energy.

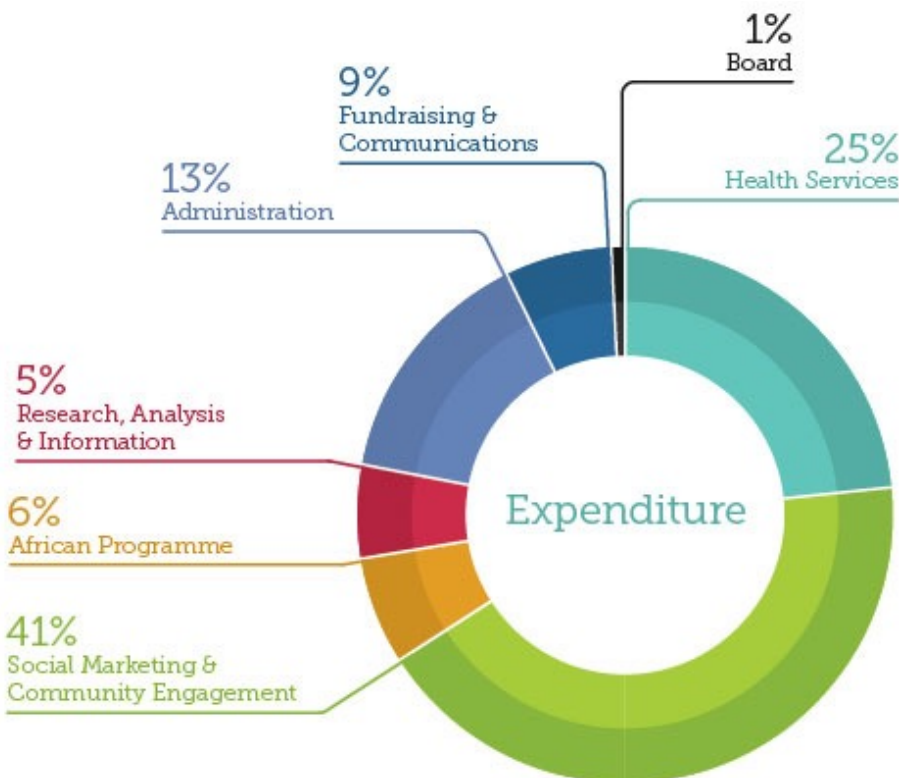
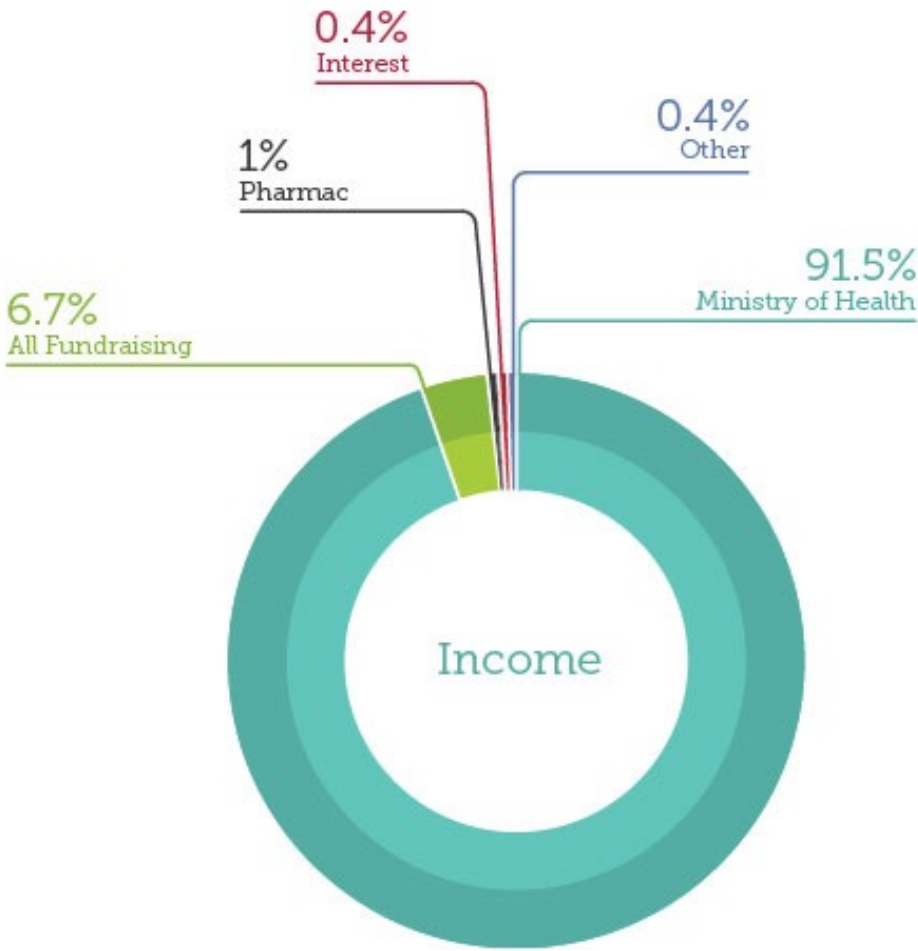
Volunteers contributed a total of 12,636 hours cumulatively at venues, condom packing and events.

## Financials

Over the last few years, the decreasing funds available to us has meant that we have had to do more with less and optimise where we can. Costs continue to rise and, with no significant increase in our core Government funding, we remain concerned about remaining effective in addressing an ongoing HIV epidemic in New Zealand. We acknowledge that we need the support of both the community as well as the Government to be able to prevent HIV.

The Foundation sincerely thanks all who have made a contribution, in cash or kind to support our work in the last year; including regular donors, one-off donors large and small and those who contributed to our projects and events.





**Thanks to:**

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- Caluzzi Bar
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- Endeavour Community Foundation
- First Sovereign Trust Ltd
- Foundation North (formerly ASB Community Trust)
- Four Winds Foundation
- Grassroots Trust
- Health 2000
- Health Post Ltd
- Hideaway Bins
- Infinity Foundation
- Lion Foundation
- Mt Wellington Foundation
- NZ Lottery Grants Board Community Facilities and National Community Funds
- New Zealand Post
- Pelorus Trust
- Pub Charity
- Reckitt Benckiser (NZ) Ltd - Durex
- Stewart Scott Cabinetry
- The Southern Trust
- Waikato Community Trust (Trust Waikato)
- Urge Bar
- Veneer

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## NZAF Trust Board

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 David Ting  
 Dan Keys - co-opted

*Office Resourcing expenses increased due to relocation costs and higher rental in Christchurch along with one-off expenses associated with the Auckland office renovation.*

*Communication, Fundraising & Events expenses increased due to production of more information resources and fundraising activities and the one-off 30th Anniversary events.*

*Health Services expenses increased due to higher volumes of service delivery across testing, support for PLHIV and stigma reduction.*

*National Support Services expenses increased due to one-off costs associated with presenting at the World AIDS Conference in Melbourne.*

## Statement of Financial Performance

Income	2015	2014
Ministry of Health	\$4,215,436	\$4,208,484
Grants - Special Projects	\$90,143	\$39,601
Secretariat of the Pacific Community	-	\$14,483
Fundraising NZAF Events	\$185,699	\$137,305
Donations / Bequests	\$34,944	\$17,014
Pharmac	\$45,614	\$45,401
Membership	-	\$500
Consultancy / Other Income	\$17,045	\$9,750
Interest	\$19,316	\$21,605
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$4,608,197</b>	<b>\$4,494,143</b>

Expenses	2015	2014
Office Resourcing	\$434,190	\$339,896
Board Expenses	\$37,936	\$40,110
Communications, Fundraising & Events	\$363,692	\$254,486
Depreciation	\$70,377	\$63,737
HIV Prevention	\$1,001,089	\$1,006,330
Health Services	\$231,731	\$138,638
Research, Analysis & Information	\$64,484	\$69,779
Personnel	\$2,348,449	\$2,237,437
National Support Services	\$79,195	\$56,385
Travel	\$148,952	\$138,558
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$4,780,095</b>	<b>\$4,345,356</b>
Net surplus for the year	<b>(\$171,898)</b>	\$148,787

**Please Note;** The NZAF would like to thank RSM Hayes Audit for their audit services.

## Statement of Changes in Equity

Accumulated Funds	2015	2014
Accumulated Funds at start of year	\$1,704,806	\$1,668,019
Net surplus / (deficit) for the year	(\$171,898)	\$148,787
Transferred (to) / from Research Reserve for the year	\$49,680	(\$12,000)
Transferred (to) / from Building Reserve for the year	\$126,500	(\$100,000)
<b>Total recognised revenue and expense</b>	<b>\$4,282</b>	<b>\$36,787</b>
<b>Total Accumulated Funds at the end of year</b>	<b>\$1,709,088</b>	<b>\$1,704,806</b>
<b>Building Reserve</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Total Building Reserve at the start of year	\$126,500	\$26,500
Transferred from Accumulated Funds for the year	-	\$100,000
Payments for the year	(\$126,500)	-
<b>Total Building Reserve at the end of year</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>\$126,500</b>
<b>Research Reserve</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Total Building Reserve at the start of year	\$123,600	\$111,600
Transferred from Accumulated Funds for the year	\$320	\$50,000
Payments for the year	(\$50,000)	(\$38,000)
<b>Total Research Reserve at the end of year</b>	<b>\$73,920</b>	<b>\$123,600</b>
<b>Total Funds at end of year</b>	<b>\$1,783,008</b>	<b>\$1,954,906</b>

## Statement of Financial Position

Funds	2015	2014
Accumulated Funds	\$1,709,088	\$1,704,806
Building Reserve	-	\$126,500
Research Reserve	\$73,920	\$123,600
<b>Total Funds</b>	<b>\$1,783,008</b>	<b>\$1,954,906</b>
<i>Represented by</i>		
<b>Current Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
ANZ Bank Accounts	\$28,616	\$50,582
Other Assets	\$48,635	\$76,446
Tax Receivable	\$54,751	\$52,802
	<b>\$132,002</b>	<b>\$179,830</b>
<b>Less: Current Liabilities</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Accounts Payable	\$202,584	\$183,388
Other Creditors & Accruals	\$241,776	\$233,813
ANZ Bank Loan	\$350,000	\$100,000
	<b>\$794,360</b>	<b>\$517,201</b>
<b>Working Capital</b>	<b>(662,358)</b>	<b>(\$337,371)</b>
<b>Non-Current Fixed Assets</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2014</b>
Property, Plant & Equipment	\$2,445,366	\$2,292,277
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$1,783,008</b>	<b>\$1,954,906</b>