

Male Circumcision for HIV Prevention



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Latest News

Male circumcision research recognised as major medical breakthrough

Research confirming that male circumcision reduces men's risk of acquiring HIV ranks as one of the decade's top ten medical breakthroughs...

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Why circumcision reduces risk of HIV

Most of the decrease in HIV risk among circumcised men may be explained by the removal of the vulnerable foreskin, new research suggests...

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New to the Site



Progress in Male Circumcision Scale-up: Country Implementation Update

All 13 priority countries for male circumcision scale-up have begun expanding access to the procedure. Read the latest [progress report](#) (PDF, 1.08 MB) on male circumcision programmes in these priority countries, which have high HIV prevalence and low rates of male circumcision.

Male Circumcision: Implications for Women

Evidence has shown that medical male circumcision can be an effective HIV prevention strategy, but what are its implications for women? A recent [review](#) concluded that women will benefit indirectly from male circumcision, but the available data are insufficient to determine whether circumcision of male partners directly reduces women's risk of acquiring HIV. And a [report](#) (PDF, 220 KB) is now available on a series of e-discussions that explored this question earlier this year.

The Potential Cost and Impact of Expanding Male Circumcision

This series of briefs summarises estimates of the cost and impact of scaling up male

circumcision in 14 countries in eastern and southern Africa.

Male circumcision brings Swazi men to clinic

Men come to the One Hope Male Clinic in Swaziland for male circumcision, but 92 percent of them also get tested for HIV...

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Male circumcision and women's risk of HIV

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Zimbabwe's government recommends male circumcision

The Government of Zimbabwe has adopted male circumcision as an additional HIV prevention strategy and has launched a pilot project to guide expansion of services...

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Foreskin size linked to HIV risk

Having a larger foreskin was associated with an increased risk of HIV infection in a study in Rakai, Uganda...

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The Clearinghouse on Male Circumcision for HIV Prevention is a global resource centre designed to expand access to information and resources on male circumcision for HIV prevention. It is supported by a grant to the World Health Organization (WHO) from the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.

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Male Circumcision: Evidence for Action

This six-minute film on male circumcision, shot in Malawi, features health professionals and clients stating the case for including male circumcision in HIV prevention programmes.

Client Education Materials

Materials developed by contributors in Swaziland and Zambia provide information for men considering circumcision, men who have undergone circumcision, and the partners and family members of prospective clients or circumcised men. These materials include brochures, booklets and flipcharts.

Mass Media Materials

Posters from Zimbabwe aim to motivate men to consider male circumcision for HIV prevention. Like many of the male circumcision materials developed for programmes in southern Africa, they use football analogies.

Situational Analyses: Botswana, Tanzania, Uganda

Analyses that are guiding the planning and implementation of male circumcision programmes are now available from Botswana, Tanzania, and Uganda.

Traditional Circumcision and HIV Prevention in Tanzania (PDF, 388 KB)

This report describes the challenges and opportunities for involving traditional circumcisers in the scale-up of male circumcision for HIV prevention in Tanzania.

Essential Reading

Modelling the Impact of Male Circumcision (PDF, 153 KB)

One HIV infection could be prevented for every five to 15 men circumcised in settings with high levels of HIV and low rates of male circumcision, concluded an expert review of six simulation models that estimate the impact of male circumcision on HIV. [Watch a video](#) about the review.