

# Harm reduction funding in crisis

Funding for HIV-related harm reduction programmes globally is in crisis. There can be no 'AIDS free generation' without targeted efforts with and for people who inject drugs. Yet funding for harm reduction falls dangerously short of estimated need. While this has been the case for some time, the situation looks set to deteriorate with changing donor policies and national government neglect.

This failure to invest will bring an exponential rise in HIV transmission which in turn will cause additional costs to government health sectors.

## Oral presentation:

### **Is harm reduction funding in low and middle income countries in crisis?**

**Authors:** C. Cook, J. Bridge, S. McLean.

**Presenter:** Susie McLean, International HIV/AIDS Alliance  
In main programme session entitled 'Effort Where it Counts: Key Populations at the Centre'

Come and learn more about the funding crisis and how it can be addressed:

**When:** Wednesday 23rd July

**Where:** Plenary room 2

**Time:** 16:30-18:00pm

Join us and pick up a copy of our new report at the launch event:

**When:**

Thursday 24th July

**Where:**

Drug User Networking Zone, Booth 803  
Global Village

**Time:**

15.30-16.20pm

## Report launch event:

### **The funding crisis for harm reduction:**

Donor retreat, government neglect and the way forward

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**Chaired by** Ann Fordham, International Drug Policy Consortium;

**Speakers include** David Wilson, University of New South Wales; Maria Phelan, Harm Reduction International; Tanya Deshko, Alliance Ukraine and Ben Simms, STOPAIDS And a special showing of a short film developed by STOPAIDS on the funding crisis for harm reduction

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