Preventable HIV diagnoses on PrEP waiting lists - an unacceptable financial and individual cost

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PrEP access is a postcode lottery

- England:
- Scotland:
- Ireland:
- Wales:
Introduction

Inner city metropolitan clinic

High proportion of MSM attendances

Nov 2017 started spreadsheet for patients awaiting PrEP trials

Trial recruitment: 1 phone call and a 1 text
Methods

Retrospective search for HIV diagnoses on list Nov 2017 to Feb 2019

Demographics
Risk Factors
Missed prevention opportunities
Results

- 799 on database
  - 263 already on PrEP trial
  - 43 unidentifiable
- 493 searched for HIV
  - 15 HIV positive
    - 9 HIV positive awaiting trial
    - 6 HIV positive at referral to database
Results

All male MSM
Mean age 26 (range 19 - 41)
Mean no. of days on list 192
(range 45 - 576)
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33%
3/9 did not respond to trial recruitment

66%
6/9 did not meet trial eligibility at the point of contact
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Some good news!

100% engaged in care
100% on treatment
55% VL < 50
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Immediate roll out of PrEP from NHS England

Broaden eligibility criteria

Clinic Reflection
It's time to end this very English scandal