HIV/AIDS SITUATION IN MACAO Quarterly HIV/AIDS Statistics (Oct. – Dec., 2009)

In the fourth quarter of 2009, were reported 8 HIV infections, being 3 males and 5 females.

Among the new cases in this quarter, 3 were detected in local residents, including 1 acquired the infection through heterosexual contact, 1 through homosexual contact, and 1 through injecting drug use.

Two infections occurred among non-residents, being 1 infected through heterosexual contact, and in 1 case the way of infection was undetermined due to inadequate information.

The other 3 cases were found in temporary residents working in the entertainment industry that acquired the infection through heterosexual contact. (table 1)

In the year of 2009, a total of 17 infections were reported in Macao, representing a decrease of 22.7% in comparison with the year of 2008, and the rate of infection in local residents was 41.2%. Sexual contact continues to be the principal route of transmission, representing 41.2% and 17.7% respectively for heterosexual and homosexual contact. The transmission of HIV infection through injecting drug use accounted for 17.7% of the HIV infections. (table 2)

Cumulatively, since 1986 up to the end of December 2009, a total of 427 HIV infections were reported in Macao, being 50.4% diagnosed in temporary residents working in the entertainment industry; 44 of HIV infected patients have progressed to AIDS. The major route of transmission has been sexual (67.5%), corresponding 59% to the heterosexual transmission and 8.2% to the homosexual transmission. The injecting drug use represented 13.6% of the infections accumulated. (table 1)

Table 1 – SUMMARY OF QUARTERLY STATISTICS 4th QUARTER (Oct. – Dec., 2009)

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	Year 2009 (OctDec.)		Year 2008 (JanDec.)		Cumulative		
					(1986 – Dec. 2009)		
	HIV	AIDS	HIV	AIDS	HIV	AIDS	
SEX							
Male	3	0	14	2	193	36	
Female	5	0	8	0	234	8	
Unknown	0	0	0	0	0	0	
ETHNICITY/RACE							
Chinese	4	0	14	2	114	25	
Non-Chinese	4	0	8	0	292	19	
Unknown	0	0	0	0	21	0	
AGE							
Adult	8	0	22	2	417	43	
Child (age 13 or less)	0	0	0	0	2	1	
Unknown	0	0	0	0	8	0	
ROUTE OF TRANSMISSION							
Heterosexual	5	0	11	1	252	15	
Homosexual	1	0	2	0	35	6	
Bisexual	0	0	0	0	1	0	
Injecting Drug Use	1	0	3	1	58	7	
Blood Transf./Blood Products	0	0	0	0	1*	0	
Perinatal	0	0	0	0	1	1	
Unknown	1	0	6	0	79	15	
TOTAL	8	0	22	2	427	44	

*Infected via blood transfusion outside Macao.

HIV: Human Immunodeficiency Virus

AIDS: Acquired Immunodeficiency Syndrome

Source: Public Health Laboratory of Health Bureau, MSAR Government

Table 2 – REPORTED CASES OF HIV/AIDS IN 2009

	HIV	AIDS			
SEX					
Male	10	1			
Female	7	1			
Unknown	0	0			
ETHNICITY/RACE					
Chinese	8	1			
Non-chinese	8	1			
Unknown	1	0			
AGE					
Adult	17	2			
Child (age 13 or less)	0	0			
Unknown	0	0			
ROUTE OF TRANSMISSION					
Heterosexual	7	0			
Homosexual	3	0			
Bisexual	1	0			
Injecting Drug Use	3	0			
Blood Transfusion/Blood Products	0	0			
Perinatal	0	0			
Unknown	3	2			
TOTAL	17	2			