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From Information to Test: the experience with high school students

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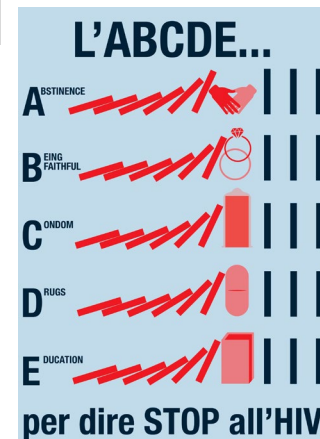
#cHIVuoleconoscere project



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#cHIVuoleconoscere

1. Training course about HIV/AIDS, from a scientific, relational and cultural point of view
2. Involvement of students in production of communicative material about theme



Data of #cHIVuoleconoscere project

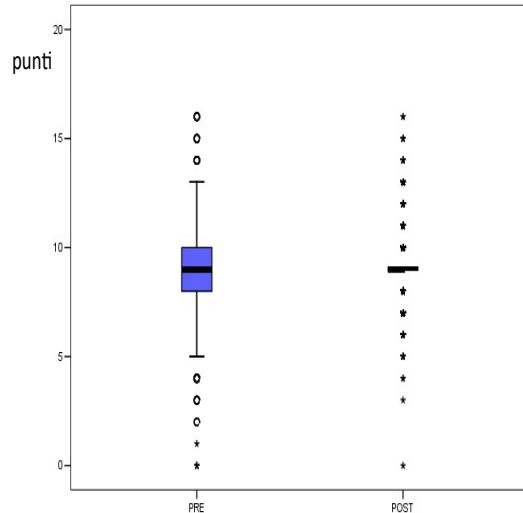
Scholastic year/Project	Number of school	Number of classes	Number of student
2019/2020 #cHIVuoleconoscere	12	63	1412
2020/2021 #cHIVuoleconoscere	6	52	1192
2021/2022 #cHIVuoleconoscere 2.0	18	115	2443
2022/2023 #cHIVuoleconoscere-Test&Go	15	103	2267
2023/2024 #cHIVuoleconoscere-Fast-Track School	18	126	2380
TOT.		459	9694



Pre-post intervention survey

Knowledge index

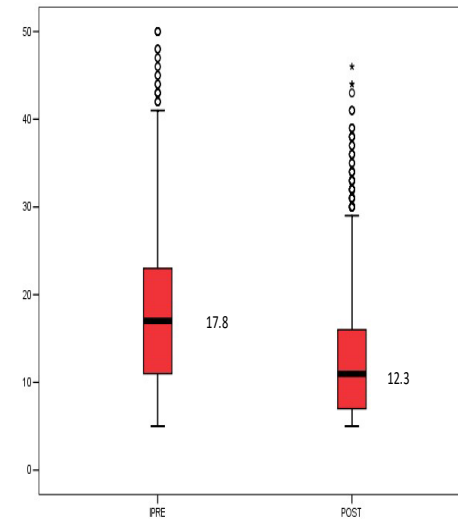
The index is calculated on 16 questions (the optimal value is 9 points.)
Higher or lower scores indicate less Knowledge



$P < 0.0001$
For the difference PRE/POST

Discrimination index

The index is calculated on 5 questions (range from 5 to 50 points).
Higher scores indicate greater discrimination



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For the difference PRE/POST



From informations to have testing



2019: Bergamo became Fast Track City
Rapid, Anonymous and Free Test for HIV, HCV and Syphilis

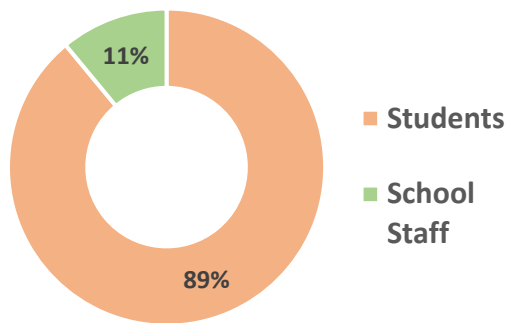
Testing activity at High School

School Year	N. High School	N. person tested
2021/2022	2	65
2022/2023	6	363
2023/2024	6	277

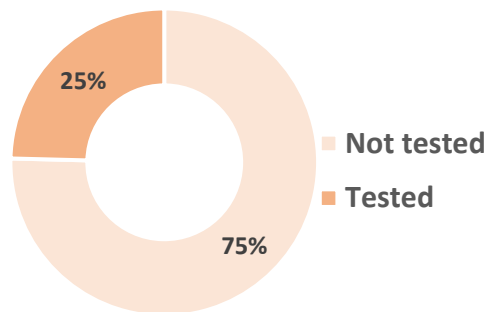


People tested at High School

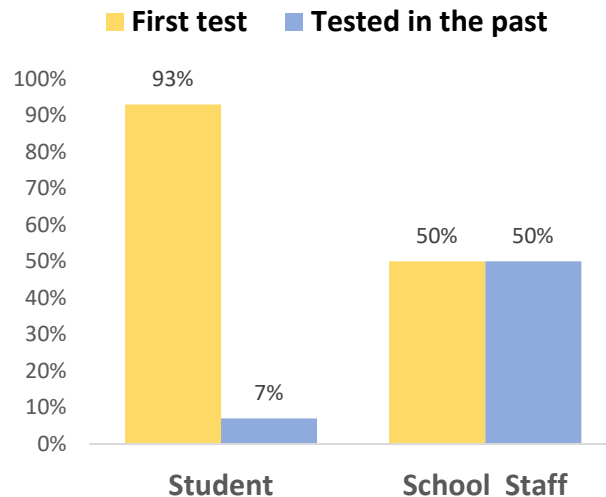
School population tested



Student Participation Rate



Reactivity: 1 HCV+



Conclusion

Testing activity towards young people ↔ Educational Value

Goals:

- Right informations generates awarness
- Take care of sexual health: from theory to practice
- Prevention: do the test now to do it forever

**A young person who is tested at his/her sexual debut
is more likely to become an adult
who will take care of his sexual health throughout his life.**

