

OptTEST barriers toolkit

A toolkit to support challenges to legal and regulatory barriers which hinder access to HIV testing and treatment across Europe

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Where is it?

www.opttest.eu >

Tools >

“How to address barriers to early uptake...” >

Tip sheets/Case studies

Still to be added: research review

Also on same page: link to Barring The Way To Health and other tools on stigma

Tip sheets

[Simple principles for effective campaigning on legislative or regulatory change](#)

[What types of legal and regulatory barriers are common and how do they damage access?](#)

[What are the new testing strategies and where are they working?](#)

[How can I identify and verify local barriers to testing and treatment access?](#)

[How can I construct or compare a continuum of care?](#)

[How can we do a simple, quick, low cost but robust survey of an issue?](#)

[How and where do I find evidence for a change in policy?](#)

[How can we build alliances between community, clinicians and public health?](#)

[How should we present our case to decision-makers and politicians?](#)

[Influencing at conferences and other events](#)

[Questions you should ask yourself \(and be able to answer\) before you ask to meet with a Government Minister](#)

[What can we do when politicians ignore the evidence?](#)

Case Studies

[Getting equal and free HIV treatment for undocumented migrants in England](#)

[Organising a Europe-wide coalition to raise the profile of HIV testing \(European HIV Testing Week\)](#)

[Gaining access to PrEP in France](#)

[Removing sex work regulations in Greece](#)

[Changing drugs laws in Portugal to prioritise public health](#)

[Repealing bad criminal law on HIV in Denmark](#)

[Mitigating criminalisation of HIV transmission: England & Wales](#)

[Criminalisation law reform in the Netherlands](#)

[Meeting the challenge of restrictive testing regulations in the Ukraine](#)

[Establishing a community testing facility in a regulatory restricted environment in Slovenia](#)