

WE ARE MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN

There are an estimated 10.5 to 27 million of us in Asia-Pacific and we face these issues:

I have been bullied at school and in the workplace.

HIV education only caters to the needs of heterosexual people, never my needs.

I can't be honest with my doctor.

My gay friends and I have been harassed too many times to feel safe meeting up, even for HIV outreach meetings.

I'm afraid to carry condoms because I might get arrested.

My wife does not know I also have sex with men, so we don't use condoms.

We are being left behind due to:

- Criminalization of consensual adult, same-sex sexual activities
- Lack of laws and policies to protect against discrimination on the grounds of sexual orientation
- Inadequate laws, policies and programmes ensuring access to justice for men who have sex with men