

Stichting

HIV Monitoring

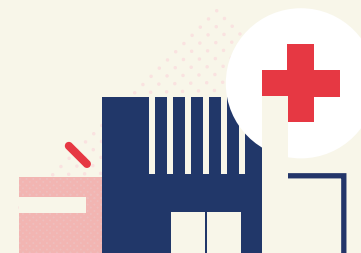
From diagnosis to

optimal treatment:

Every patient counts



From diagnosis to optimal treatment how medical data contribute to HIV care



HIV care in designated centres

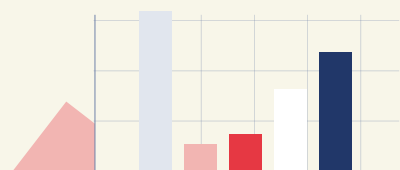
If you are diagnosed with HIV in the Netherlands, you are referred to a designated HIV treatment centre. At each hospital visit, the HIV treatment team records your medical information in your medical file.

Improving care

SHM also provides HIV treatment centres with regular updates of their own data. These updates are used by the care teams to improve their patient care.

SHM contributes to global HIV research

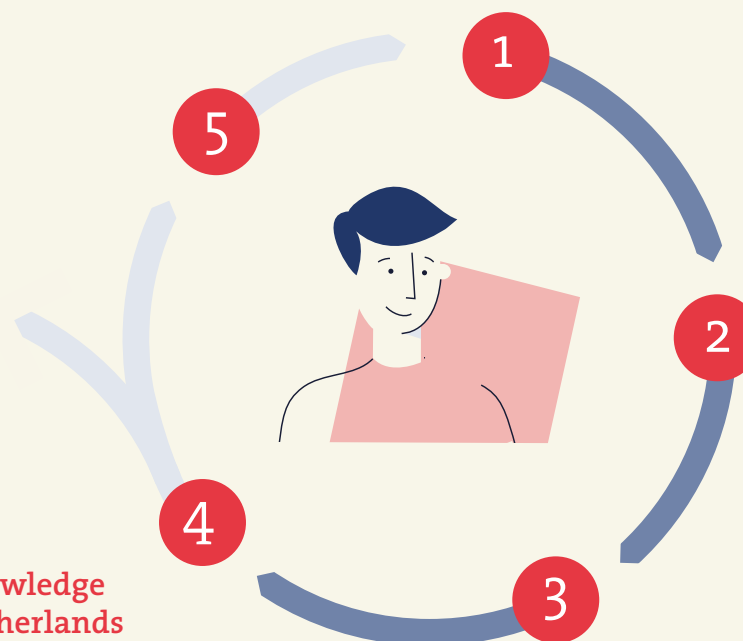
Our data are also used in national and international HIV research. This research provides tangible input into HIV treatment guidelines and prevention policies, and leads to improvements in HIV care worldwide.



SHM furthers knowledge on HIV in the Netherlands

Our research helps to understand the effect of lifelong treatment in people living with HIV. We regularly present our work in international medical journals and in our yearly Monitoring Report.

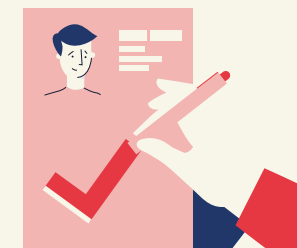
SHM monitors the HIV epidemic and systematically collects, analyses and reports on medical information from people living with HIV.



SHM collects medical information for research

With your explicit consent, SHM collects your medical information at the HIV treatment centre. Your HIV treating physician or nurse consultant will ask you for your consent. You are also free to withdraw your consent at any time. This will not affect your treatment.

SHM adheres to the European GDPR* and all national privacy regulations for medical research. As a result, none of the information collected by SHM can be directly traced back to an individual.



High quality data

Research requires accurate and reliable data. SHM therefore carries out various rigorous quality control steps. After further processing, the data are stored in our highly secure 'data warehouse', ready for use in research.



*General Data Protection Regulation

Stichting HIV Monitoring

Founded in 2001, **Stichting HIV Monitoring (SHM)** was appointed by the Dutch Ministry of Health, Welfare and Sport as the executive organisation for the registration and monitoring of people living with HIV in the Netherlands.

SHM comprehensively maps the HIV epidemic and HIV treatment outcomes in the Netherlands, thereby contributing to the knowledge of HIV. Working with all HIV treatment centres throughout the Netherlands, **SHM** has developed a solid framework for systematically collecting HIV data for the long-term follow up of all consenting registered individuals.

The Netherlands is the only country in the world to have such a framework, which enables healthcare professionals to aspire to the highest standard of HIV care.

In addition to the national reports, healthcare professionals are provided with treatment centre-specific reports to enable them to monitor and optimise care provided in their centres.

Moreover,

SHM data are also made available upon request for use in HIV-related research, both in the Netherlands and internationally. The outcome of **SHM's** research and international collaborations provides tangible input into policy guidelines and further improves HIV care in the Netherlands.

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