

MTN-017
Site Presentation
Participant Selection

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What does the 'right' MTN-017 participant look like to us?

1. Responsible:
It will determine the success of the study.
2. Wants to learn more:
Will help us engage into conversation about the study.
3. Curious!:
Self-motivated to ask and take a step forward.
4. Accessible:
We need participants that will stay connected all the step of the way.

How are we pre-screening participants?

Face-to-face pre-screening activities:

1. Maintaining a community presence during key events: Getting out there, letting us know...
Letting know our clinic support the LGBTTT community!
2. Scheduling pre-screening visits to the clinic:
Will help to know the participant in person and establish a rapport. Will help to determine better the commitment the participant has and start an education process.

Recruitment Lessons Learned from Previous Studies: Project Gel, Puerto Rico

1. Online recruitment works well for MSM and face-to-face works better for trans women in Puerto Rico.
2. There's still a necessity to educate about the existence of microbicides.

Where and how will our efforts be focused?

For each item below, describe how your site will focus its efforts on enhancing the involvement of each of the groups below.

- Site Leadership: being involved in the community and recruitment plan development, attending recruitment activities.
- Clinical Staff: being involved in the recruit process and in the planning of activities. Getting trained during staff meetings.
- Counseling/Staff/Community/Recruitment/Outreach Team: we are one! Working together every step of the way.