

# 26th Annual Conference of the British HIV Association 2020

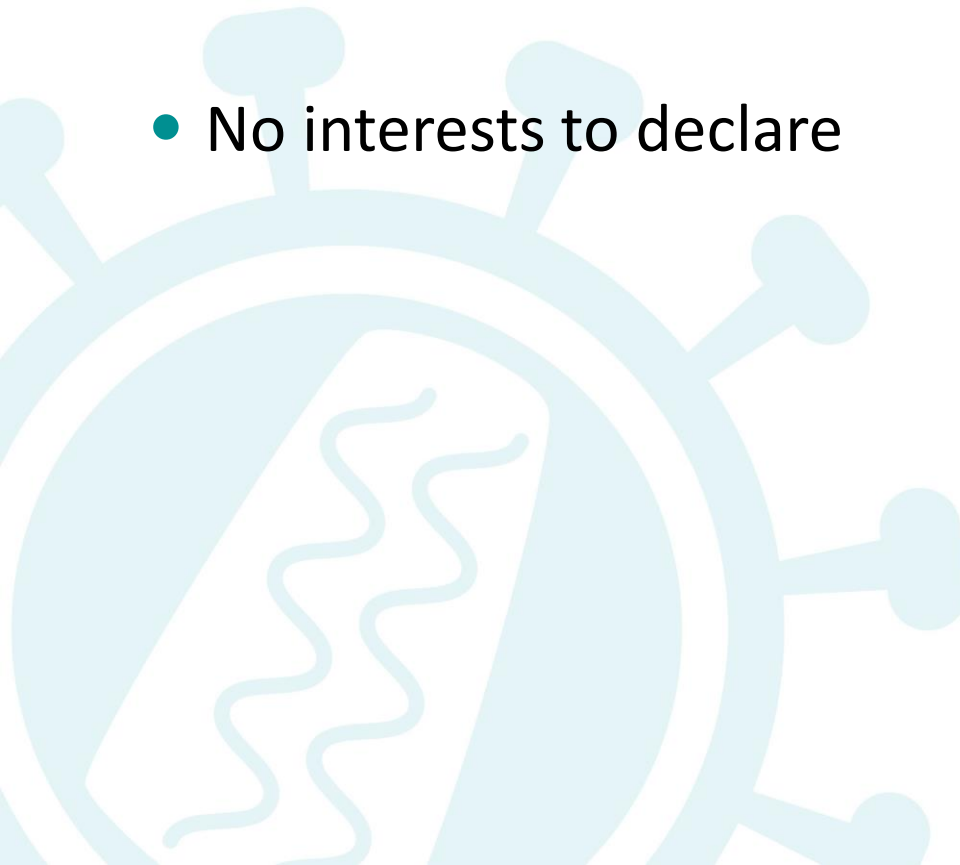


# **The contribution of the HIV community to HIV care**

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# **The contribution of the HIV community to HIV care**

- how we can help you to help us  
to live our best life with HIV**

# Patient and public involvement (PPI)

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- Research “with” or “by” members of the public
- Not “to,” “about” or “for” them
- Carers, service users and “expert patients”
- UK-CAB is a network of treatment advocates
- Reps offer a perspective, but are not representative
- Must not be tokenistic
- UK-CAB election process

# Looking at the HIV community

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- HIV population is not homogenous
- HIV population is more informed than others
- Motivation?
- Benefits to BHIVA/research?
- Benefits to individual?
- Why commit 10 years to being a rep?

# **Community involvement in research**

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# A decade as a community rep

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- **From IT Manager for S African regional NGO to community rep**
- **Initial knowledge about HIV?**
- **Why take part in UK CHIC?**
- **First impressions and how it changed**
- **Role in POPPY - the most important part**

# What's in it for you/other women?

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- **Personal and professional development**
- **Ensuring women's voices are heard**
- **Support from peers**
- **Advice to researchers looking for reps?**