
Subject: Re: comprehensive knowledge of HIV AIDS
Posted by [Liz-DHS](#) on Fri, 26 Aug 2016 18:33:25 GMT
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A response from Senior Technical Expert, Dr. Kia Reinis:

Quote:

Dear CK Allen,

Thank you for your question.

The misconceptions pertaining to means of transmission that are the two most common: people can get HIV from mosquito bites and people can get HIV from witchcraft or other supernatural means. This is true in both the 2007 and 2013-14, and the data in the chapter tables indicate such.

Footnote 8 in the MDG table in the 2007 report is in error, it should have referred to supernatural means, and not to sharing food.

The text on page 199 of the 2013-14 report is not correct. The excerpt from the report (shown below) that states sharing food is one of the two most common misconceptions is an error, it should have stated "that a person can get HIV via supernatural means" and not "by sharing food".

Thank you very much for bringing this to our attention.

We appreciate your use of DHS data.

File Attachments

1) [ZM2007pg199.jpg](#), downloaded 2370 times
