

LIVERZONE

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Introduction: The use of video presentations focused on specific learning objectives may be received and understood by individuals in this particular at risk group. We have developed a multimedia video presentation for preventive & intervention for Hepatitis C called Liverzone. LIVERZONE- is a play about hepatitis devised and performed by CemeNTmix in collaboration with NTAHC at Darwin Community Arts.

Methods: The Northern Territory AIDS and Hepatitis (NTAHC) worked with the multicultural youth group “Cement Mix” through the Darwin Community ARTS (DCA) center at Malak to explore multimedia as a new and initiative way to reach both the Indigenous and CALD communities in the Darwin Region. NTAHC collaborated with Darwin Community Arts’ CemeNTmix an energy filled group of young actors from diverse cultural backgrounds (SE Asia/Africa) who are passionate about making theatre with a message. NTAHC’s care & support staff and clients living with hepatitis consulted and educated the performers & Director about hepatitis to develop a play that would be performed to people in schools and community centers.

Results: The success of the performance was reflected by the response of the crowd as it stimulated conversation about hepatitis.

Conclusion: Resource kit was developed including power point presentation on Hepatitis for teachers to deliver to student in high school. These kits also included the Liverzone play and was distributed to every high school in the Darwin, Katherine and Alice Springs region.

Disclosure of Interest Statement: Northern Territory AIDS and Hepatitis Council (NTAHC) recognises the partnership collaborators on the “Liverzone” project, Darwin Community Arts (DCA), CemeNT Mix, Bristol-Myer Squibb Australia