

## Theme statement and key messages to participants for November ETW 2022

The <u>ETW working group</u> has published a statement for the November ETW with a message for participating organisations to encourage them to use testing as a gateway to comprehensive care for those in need.

"Testing brings knowledge, which can enable people to act and make choices, with support and advice from healthcare providers."

Read the November 2022 ETW theme statement here.

## ETW/EuroTEST webinar: Updated definition of HIV late diagnosis



Time and date: Monday 21 Nov 2022, 15:30-16:30 CET

Registration: <u>https://us06web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_4Q\_XQBsHQ42yo6RaQwYK2g</u>

Background: HIV testing frequency has increased in many settings, resulting in more people being diagnosed during seroconversion with a temporarily low CD4 count. Using the current consensus definition of late HIV diagnosis (CD4 count <350 cells/µl or an AIDS-defining event), these individuals will be incorrectly assigned as being diagnosed late. A European expert group, convened under the EuroTEST Initiative, reviewed and revised the current definition and conducted a survey in the WHO European Region countries on the availability of data to apply this revised definition.

**Aim**: To learn about the revised definition and its implication for data collection, reporting and surveillance.

**Target group**: HIV clinicians, public health experts, epidemiologists and surveillance experts, and community members.

#### **Speakers**

Sara Croxford (Health Security Agency, UK)
Ben Serrien (Sciensano, Belgian institute for health)
Peter Kirwan (Health Security Agency, UK)
Anastasia Pharris (ECDC)
Nikos Dedes (EATG)

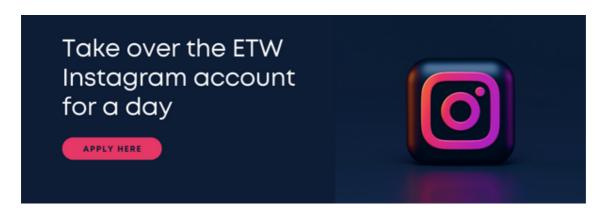


### Follow us on Instagram

@EuroTestWeek is now on Instagram!

Remember to follow our social media accounts and use our **hashtags** (**#EuroTestWeek** and **#TestTreatPrevent**) to show that your organization is part of European Testing Week!

Tag us **@EuroTestWeek** on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram, when promoting your Testing Week activities on social media.



### Take over the ETW Instagram account for a day

Do you want your ETW activities and your organization to be featured on our new Instagram account to reach a wider audience?

We invite you to take over our Instagram account for a day during the upcoming European Testing week on 21-28 November 2022.

Fill out this brief form if you would like to be featured on our account: <a href="https://forms.gle/BsNh1w7B6qd7oi797">https://forms.gle/BsNh1w7B6qd7oi797</a>

# Are your testing services included in our European Test Finder?

There are currently 661 testing sites in 44 countries registered

on <u>www.testfinder.info</u> - is your organization one of them? If not, make sure your services are also included and help more people get access to testing services.

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# Have you signed up for EuroTestWeek on 21-28 November 2022?

If you plan to participate in the upcoming European Testing Week, make sure to sign up on the website to show that you are an active participant and part of the ETW network working towards a common goal of increasing and improving testing: <a href="https://www.testingweek.eu/sign-up/">https://www.testingweek.eu/sign-up/</a>.

See who else has signed up to participate in the November

ETW: <a href="https://www.testingweek.eu/get-involved/participants/">https://www.testingweek.eu/get-involved/participants/</a>







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