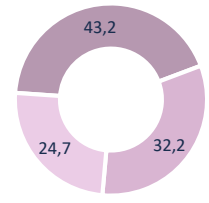


THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON TRANSGENDER HEALTH IN AUSTRALIA AND NEW ZEALAND

RESULTS OF THE TRANSCARECOVID-19 STUDY (www.transcareCovid-19.com)

Participants

N = 146 \bar{x} = 31.6 years



43.2% (trans) man
32.2% (trans) woman
24.7% non-binary

36.3% single
43.8% tertiary education (college / university)

people of color **6.8%**
 people with disabilities **37.7%**
 religious minorities **14.4%**
 sex worker **12.3%**
 also intersex **1.4%**

54.1% are afraid that COVID-19 will affect their access to hormones in the future

6.8% Expect that an appointment for surgery will be cancelled

11.0% An appointment for surgery was canceled

3.4% Aftercare of a recent surgery is affected

Chronic condition 63.7%

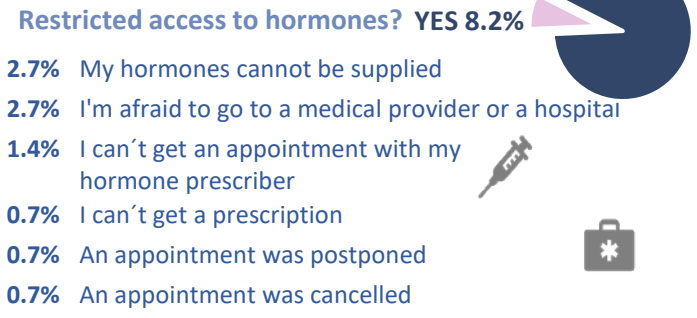
7.5% Smoker

3.4% Currently taking medication that suppresses the immune system

Health Risks

- 23.3% Back problems
- 17.1% Asthma
- 16.4% Knee problems
- 6.2% Cardiovascular disease
- 5.5% Endocrine disorder
- 5.5% Upper respiratory disease
- 3.4% Rheumatoid arthritis
- 2.7% Neurological conditions
- 1.4% Osteoporosis
- 0.7% Infectious disease
- 0.7% Lung disease
- 0.7% Cataract
- 0.7% Blood disorder

Barriers to healthcare



Access to	restricted?
Medical material that is important after surgery (e.g., vaginal dilators)	0.0%
Binders or packing material	11.6%
Non-medical supplies (e.g., wigs, shaving supplies)	20.5%

Impact of COVID-19 on transgender health care worldwide

- Over 50% of participants had risk factors for severe course of a COVID-19 infection
 - 20% higher risk compared to general population of most OSCE countries
- Participants were at a high risk of avoiding testing or treatment of a COVID-19 infection due to the fear of mistreatment or discrimination
- Access to transgender health care services was restricted due to the COVID-19 pandemic for 50% of the participants.

WE THANK ALL PEOPLE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE STUDY!

COVID-19: Experiences and Concerns

- 16.4%** would avoid COVID-19 testing because of fear of discrimination, even if they had shown COVID-19 symptoms
- 5.5%** had avoided COVID-19 testing or care because of fear of discrimination
- 8.9%** had contact with a person who was diagnosed with or is suspected to have COVID-19
- 0.0%** were diagnosed with COVID-19