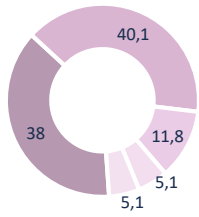
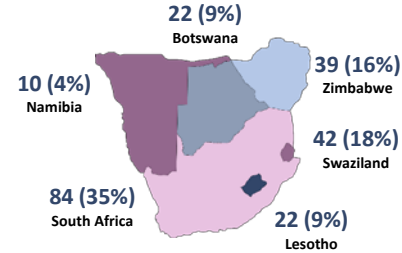
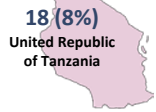


THE IMPACT OF COVID-19 ON TRANSGENDER HEALTH IN AFRICA

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

Participants

N = 237
Ø = 29.0 years



38.0% (trans) man
40.1% (trans) woman
11.8% non-binary
5.1% I don't know. I don't have a preference
5.1% other

people of color **51.1%**
 people with disabilities **35.4%**
 religious minorities **47.3%**
 sex worker **26.6%**
 also intersex **11.4%**

51.9% single
46.0% upper secondary or post-secondary education

23.2% are afraid that COVID-19 will affect their access to hormones in the future

1.3% Expect that an appointment for surgery will be cancelled

2.1% An appointment for surgery was canceled

0.4% Aftercare of a recent surgery is affected

Chronic condition
21.1%

34.6% Smoker



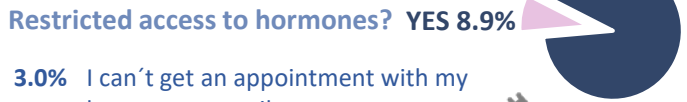
12.2% Currently taking medication that suppresses the immune system

Health Risks

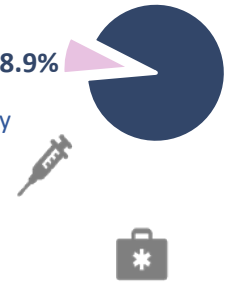
23.2%	Back problems
15.2%	HIV
14.3%	Upper respiratory disease
13.1%	Knee problems
10.5%	Asthma
7.6%	Cardiovascular disease
4.2%	Endocrine disorder
2.1%	Infectious disease
1.7%	Rheumatoid arthritis
1.7%	Osteoporosis
1.3%	COPD
0.8%	Neurological conditions
0.8%	Blood disorder



Barriers to healthcare



- 3.0%** I can't get an appointment with my hormone prescriber
- 2.1%** I can't get a prescription
- 1.7%** My hormones cannot be supplied
- 1.7%** An appointment was postponed
- 1.3%** I'm afraid to go to a medical provider or a hospital
- 1.3%** An appointment was cancelled



Access to	restricted?
Medical material that is important after surgery (e.g., vaginal dilators)	15.6%
Binders or packing material	37.6%
Non-medical supplies (e.g., wigs, shaving supplies)	36.7%

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

- 25.3%** would avoid COVID-19 testing because of fear of discrimination, even if they had shown COVID-19 symptoms
- 22.8%** had avoided COVID-19 testing or care because of fear of discrimination
- 13.1%** had contact with a person who was diagnosed with or is suspected to have COVID-19
- 2.1%** were diagnosed with COVID-19

