

# Key Findings of the Sixth South African National HIV, Prevalence, Incidence and Behaviour Survey, (SABSSM VI): 20 years of strategic HIV and public health data



**Celebrating 20 years**  
of research towards a healthier nation

## Invitation

27 November 2023 || 11:00 - 12:30 || Hybrid

**Poliomyelitis Research Foundation (PRF) Auditorium at the National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD), 1 Modderfontein Road, Sandringham**

The HSRC working together with partners, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), South African Medical Research Council (SAMRC), the University of Cape Town (UCT) and the National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD), implemented the sixth national HIV household survey (known as SABSSM VI). The survey marks 20 years of the series, with the first survey commissioned and funded by former President Nelson Mandela through the Nelson Mandela Foundation in 2001. Since its inaugural survey, local and international donors have collaborated with the HSRC to sustain this important national resource.

Data collection at national level provides strategic insight into the progression of the epidemic. The survey series has become a strategic public health initiative of national importance. This has involved a core team of multi-disciplinary experts who have driven the strategic imperative of the survey and made innovations with regards to scientific methodologies relating to both data collection and analysis including HIV incidence and modelling of data. The survey collected information on key HIV indicators, social and behavioural factors, and on access to medical interventions in South Africa. The launch will present key findings among adults aged 15+ years and will include HIV Prevalence and Viral Load Suppression among adults by age, sex and province. It will also highlight the attainment of the 95-95-95 targets set by the South Africa's National Strategic Plan for HIV, TB and STI's.

We look forward to inviting you to the launch of the summary findings on the 27th November 2023 at Poliomyelitis Research Foundation (PRF) Auditorium at the National Institute for Communicable Diseases (NICD), 1 Modderfontein Road, Sandringham and hybrid from 11h00 to 12h30. We will also connect from the HSRC offices in Cape Town, Durban, Sweetwaters and Pretoria (Video-conferencing centres).

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