



# Evidence of the Need for Increasing Pre-exposure Prophylactic (PrEP) Awareness Among Women Experiencing Intimate Partner Violence and Engaging in Substance Misuse

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# Background



- **What is IPV and how does it relate to HIV?**
- **Increased Risk**
- **Need for Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) Awareness and Use**

# Methods

## Data collection:

- Summer of 2020
- Urban domestic violence (DV) shelter in a southern state
- Survey data

## Survivors of IPV:

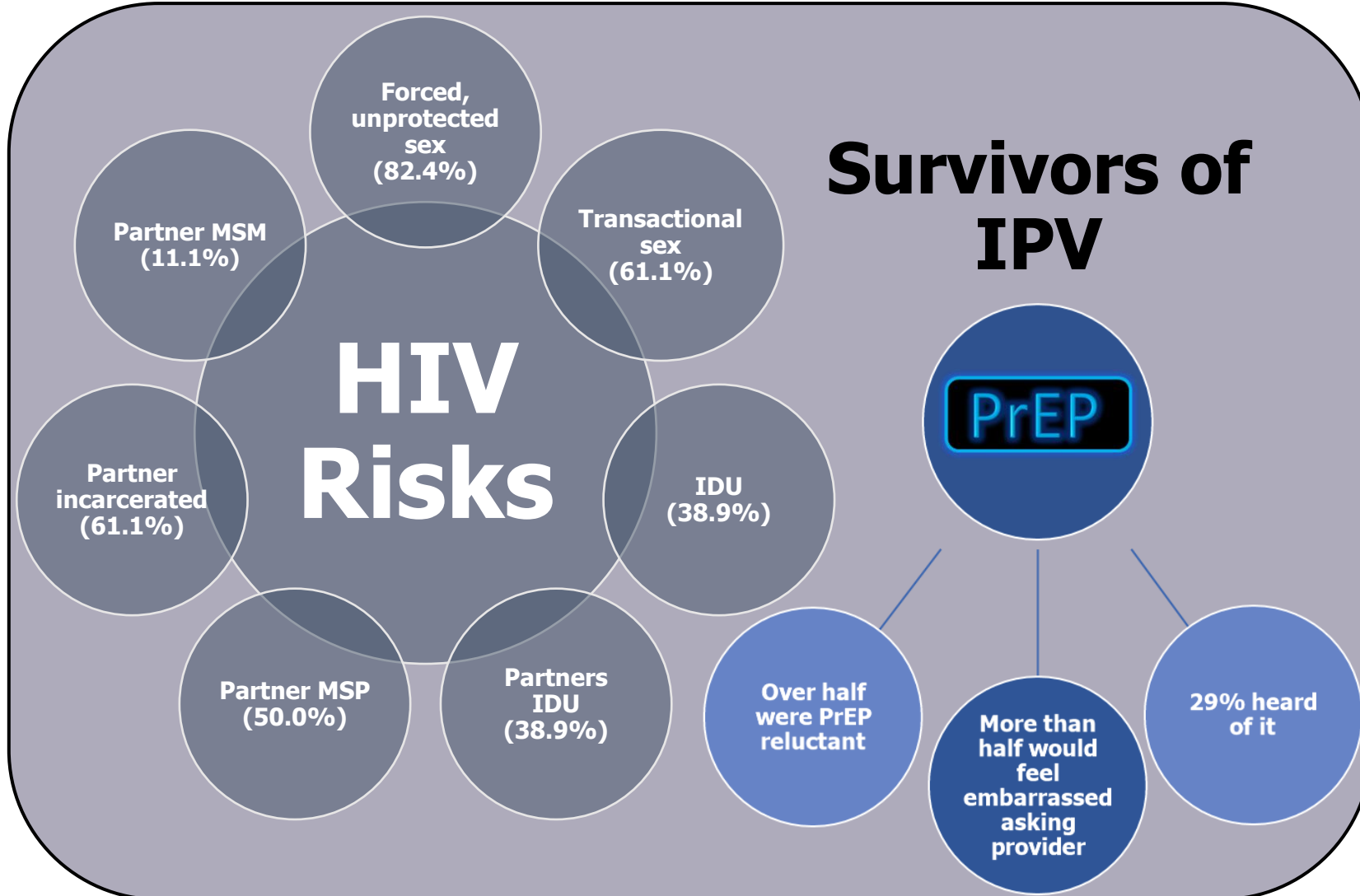
- Female shelter residents

## DV Shelter Staff:

- All shelter staff (direct and indirect care)



# Findings



**Rarely discussed HIV prevention with clients**

**65% aware of PrEP but general PrEP awareness was low**

**67% did not know where to refer clients for PrEP**

**DV Shelter Staff**

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# Conclusion and Funding Information

## IPV+ women report:

- High HIV risks
- Low PrEP awareness

DV shelter staff had low knowledge of PrEP or how to refer clients to PrEP services

Need for greater promotion of PrEP among shelter staff and residents.

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