

A CHRONIC
ILLNESS LIKE
ANY OTHER ?

HIV ————— STIGMA ————— DISCRIMINATION

STIGMA AND DISCRIMINATION AGAINST PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV

A COMMUNITY PERSPECTIVE

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FEAR

IGNORANCE = FEAR



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SILENCE = DEATH ▲ FIGHT AIDS
ACT UP

FEAR OF CONTAGION

DYING FROM AIDS

FUELS FEAR

HIV \neq AIDS \neq DEATH

HOMOSEXUALITY

DRUG-USE

SEX WORK

INFIDELITY

SEX

TABOO

GOVERNMENTAL LEVEL

CRIMINALIZATION OF HIV

15 YEARS IN PRISON

RESTRICT RESIDENCE VISAS

CONFIRM THERE IS NO INFECTION

ALMOST 50 COUNTRIES

MOBBING

DISMISSAL FROM WORK

REFUSAL TO HIRE

COMMUNITY AND FAMILY

SOCIAL ISOLATION

SELF-STIGMA

MEDICAL STAFF

REFUSAL OF TREATMENT

CONTEMPTUOUS ATTITUDE

EXCESSIVE PROTECTION

MORAL OPPRESSION

MORAL SPEECH AND JUDGMENT

INSULT

Do you regularly take any medications?

Should a patient have to disclose their status to the surgeon/anesthesiologist if he/she has an undetectable viral load?

Is it discriminatory when doctors ask a patient in this situation for a viral load test result?



