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Camden Council HIV/AIDS Liaison Officer
Social Services Department
Willing House, 356-364 Grays Inn Rd,
WC1X 8BH
Tel: 837 3363 ext. 282
Council home care service and hospital
social worker support for clients affected
by HIV and AIDS. Contact Suzanna
Yearwood.

Frontliners
52-54 Gray's Inn Rd, WC1X 8JU
Tel: 831 0330
Self-help working group run by people
with AIDS for those living with AIDS and
ARC (AIDS-related complex).

Gay Bereavement Project
Tel: 455 8894 (19.00-24.00)
Bereavement counselling.

Haemophilia Society
123 Westminster Bridge Rd, SE1 7HR
Tel: 928 2020
Help and advice for haemophilia
sufferers, their friends, partners and
families.

Hampstead Citizens' Advice Bureau
Oriel Hall, Oriel Place, NW3 1QA
Tel: 435 0048

Advice workers Jill Beckett and Sebastian
Carter. Counselling and advice for people
in Camden affected by HIV and AIDS.

Immunity
260a Kilburn Lane, W10 4BA
Tel: 969 8909
Run a legal advice centre for HIV and
AIDS-associated legal problems. Ring for
appointment.

Lesbian and Gay Switchboard
BM Switchboard, WC1N 3XX
Tel: 837 7324 (24 hours)
Will answer general enquiries about AIDS
and put you in touch with local support
groups.

London Lighthouse
111-117 Lancaster Rd, W11 1QT
Tel: 792 1200
Concerned with activities to support
people affected by AIDS and those who
work with them. Activities include
teaching, co-counselling and a volunteer
training programme.

National AIDS Helpline
Tel: 0800 567123
10.00-22.00 7 days a week. Free telephone
service for people seeking advice about
AIDS. Counselling and referral. Advice in
Arabic, Bengali, Cantonese, Gujarati,
Hindi, Punjabi and for hearing impaired
people (ring for times).

**PACE (Project for Advice, Counselling and
Education)**
London Lesbian and Gay Centre
67-69 Coe Cross St, EC1M 6BP
Tel: 251 2689

Face to face counselling for lesbians and
gay men about AIDS and HIV, before and
after medical tests.

Positively Women
333 Gray's Inn Rd, WC1
Tel: 837 9705
Ring for appointment. A group of women
who meet regularly to share experiences
of living with AIDS and HIV.

**SCODA (Standing Conference on Drug
Abuse)**
1-4 Hatton Place, off Hatton Garden, EC1N
8ND
Tel: 430 2341
Contact the AIDS Information Officer Tel:
831 3595 for information on services and
referral.

Terrence Higgins Trust
52-54 Gray's Inn Rd, WC1X 8JU
Tel: 242 1010 (Helpline), 831 0330 (Office)
Helpline 15.00-22.00 every day. Legal line
Tel: 405 2381 Weds 19.00-22.00.

London Friend
86 Caledonian Rd, N1
Tel: 837 3337 (19.30-22.00)
Telephone advice and counselling for gay
and bisexual people.
Information and advice on AIDS,
counselling, inter-faith group, support
groups and buddying scheme providing
trained volunteer help for people living
with AIDS.

CAMDEN'S LIBRARIES

Swiss Cottage Library
88 Avenue Rd, NW3 3HA
Tel: 586 5989

Holborn Library
32-38 Theobald's Rd, WC1X 8PA
Tel: 405 2705/6

St Pancras Library
100 Euston Rd, NW1 2AJ
Tel: 387 9887

Belsize Branch Library
Antrim Rd, NW3 4XN
Tel: 722 1186

Camden Town Branch Library
12 Camden High St, NW1 0JH
Tel: 387 1976

Chalk Farm Branch Library
Sharpleshall St, NW1 8YN
Tel: 722 5571

Heath Branch Library
Keats Grove, NW3 2RR
Tel: 435 8002

Highgate Branch Library
Chester Rd, N19 5DH
Tel: 272 3112

Kilburn Branch Library
Coteleigh Rd, NW6 2NP
Tel: 624 4427

Kentish Town Branch Library
262-6 Kentish Town Rd, NW5 2AA
Tel: 485 1121

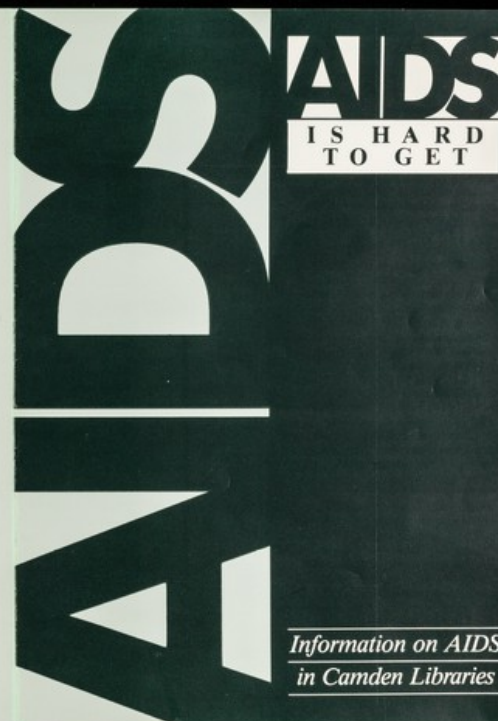
Queen's Crescent Branch Library
165 Queen's Crescent, NW5 4HH
Tel: 485 4551

Regent's Park Branch Library
Compton Close, Robert St, NW1 3OT
Tel: 387 8544

West Hampstead Branch Library
Dennington Park Rd, NW6 1AU
Tel: 435 3660

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AIDS

This leaflet lists the best books on AIDS, along with other sources of information in Camden Libraries. It includes a list of clinics where you can be tested for antibodies to the HIV virus, plus helpful organisations which can supply information and/or counselling.

WHAT IS AIDS?

AIDS (Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome) is a condition caused by human immuno-deficiency virus, or HIV. HIV can damage the body's defence system so that it cannot fight infection. Some people may have the HIV virus without developing AIDS, but they can still infect others.

HOW IS THE VIRUS SPREAD?

The virus is not very strong and will not survive for long outside the body. It is passed on when blood, semen or vaginal fluids from an infected person pass directly into someone else's bloodstream; this can happen during intercourse or by injection with a contaminated syringe. Infected mothers can pass the virus to their children during pregnancy. Those most at risk are people who have unsafe sex, and drug users who share needles. Partners of both these groups are also at risk.

ADVICE ON SAFER SEX CAN BE FOUND IN THE BOOKS, LEAFLETS AND VIDEOS LISTED IN THIS LEAFLET.

BOOKS ABOUT AIDS

These are the best books on AIDS available in Camden Libraries. However, there are many more in stock so please ask staff for help.

AIDS: A guide to survival

Peter Tatchell
GMP, revised ed. 1987
An encouragement to people with AIDS to think positively about their condition. Includes information on 'complementary medicine' such as acupressure and stress reduction.

AIDS: A guide to the law

Dai Harris and Richard Haij (ed)
Routledge, 1990
First ever guide to the legal aspects of AIDS, covering social welfare, housing, employment, immigration, wills and insurance.

AIDS, Africa and racism

Richard C and Rosalind J. Chirimautu
Free Association Books, 2nd ed. 1989
Detailed answer to the alleged African origins of AIDS and an analysis of the racism which has kept the connection so strong.

And the band played on

Randy Shiltz
Penguin, 1987
Passionate indictment of the political, scientific and medical institutions which failed to act quickly enough in the face of the AIDS threat.

Let's discuss AIDS

Graham Wilkinson
Wayland, 1987
A book on AIDS and HIV aimed at young

people. Covers several aspects of the subject and proposes themes for discussion.

Living with AIDS and HIV

David Miller
Macmillan, 1987
Slightly dry tone but contains all the necessary information.

Living with HIV in self and others

Richie McMullen
GMP, 1988
Positive advice to those diagnosed as HIV positive, including the challenge the disease poses for loved ones.

Make it happy, make it safe

Jane Cousins-Mills
Penguin, 1988
One of the best books on sex for young people including all necessary advice about avoidance of HIV/AIDS.

Matters of life and death: women speak out about AIDS

Ines Rieder and Patricia Ruppert (ed)
Virago, 1989
Collection of writings by women from twelve different countries who describe how HIV and AIDS have touched their lives.

Sex and germs: the politics of AIDS

Cindy Patton
South End Press, 1985
Analyses the biological, psychological, social and personal consequences of AIDS. Remains a valuable contribution to our appreciation of the politics of AIDS.

Walking the tightrope: living positively with AIDS, ARC and HIV

Jacqueline Hockings
Gale Centre Publications, 1988
Aimed at all people with AIDS, their friends, lovers and carers. Moving blend

of personal stories and practical information.

Women and the AIDS crisis

Diane Richardson
Pandora, revised ed. 1989
First British book to address the issue of how AIDS affects women. Considers the women in higher risk groups, safer sex, lesbians and living with, and caring for people with AIDS.

VIDEOS

A is for AIDS

Peregrine Film Production, 1989
Inventive and accessible action/animation mix aimed at children aged 7-11. Particularly good on the need to treat children with HIV virus as equals.

A plague on you

Lesbian and Gay Media Group, 1985, 28 minutes
Brilliant assault on the media's 'gay plague' account of AIDS. Shows how press misinformation harms the health education fight against the disease.

Coming soon

Guild Sound and Vision, 1987, 50 minutes
Centring on a lively teenage discussion revealing a broad range of attitudes about AIDS, the video's coup is to introduce two people with HIV to the discussion and watch what follows.

LEAFLETS

Free copies of these leaflets and other titles are available in all Camden Libraries.

AIDS: don't die of ignorance
AIDS: how drug users can avoid it
AIDS: more facts for gay men

AIDS: think before you give blood
AIDS and childbirth
AIDS and compensation
AIDS and employment
AIDS and HIV-antibody
AIDS and the problems associated with getting life assurance & mortgages
AIDS and young people
Children at school and problems related to AIDS

Facts about AIDS for drug users
Guide to benefits for people with HIV infection
Housing advice for people with AIDS
Why you won't catch AIDS from dental treatment
Your guide to safer sex and the condom

HOW TO GET HELP

CLINICS

Clinic 8
Royal Free Hospital, Pond St, NW3 2QG
Tel: 431 0970
Same-day testing for the HIV virus. Counselling and results in one day.

James Pringle House Genito-Urinary Clinic
Middlesex Hospital, 73-75 Charlotte St. W1
Tel: 580 6584
Clinic for sexually transmitted diseases. HIV antibody testing available plus pre-test counselling.

Jefferies Wing
St. Mary's Hospital, Praed St. W2 1NX
Tel: 725 1697
Clinic for sexually transmitted diseases. HIV antibody testing available plus pre-test counselling. Includes research trust
Tel: 725 1663.

University College Hospital Genito-Urinary Clinic
University College Hospital, Gower St. WC1
Tel: 388 9625
Clinic for sexually transmitted diseases. Phone for appointment. HIV antibody testing and pre-test counselling available.

HELPFUL ORGANISATIONS

Black HIV-AIDS Network
c/o London Lighthouse, 111-117 Lancaster Rd. W11 1QT
Tel: 792 1200 ext. 2156
Voluntary group of Asian, African and Afro-Caribbean men and women planning 24-hour phone service, counselling and support for black people affected by HIV and AIDS.

Blackfimers Helpline
PO Box 74, SW12 9YJ
Tel: 727 8384 (13.00-16.00)
Information and support on AIDS and HIV to all black communities in London.

Body Positive
51B Phillbeach Gardens, SW5 9EB
Tel: 835 1045, 373 9124 (Helpline 19.00-22.00)

Support and counselling by people who are HIV positive, for people who are HIV positive, their friends, partners and relatives.

Camden Council HIV/AIDS Co-ordinator
Environmental Health and Consumer Services
141 Easton Rd, NW1 2AU
Tel: 388 2484 ext. 2226
The Council is developing its HIV-related service provision to respond to the needs of users. Contact Mike Pennell.