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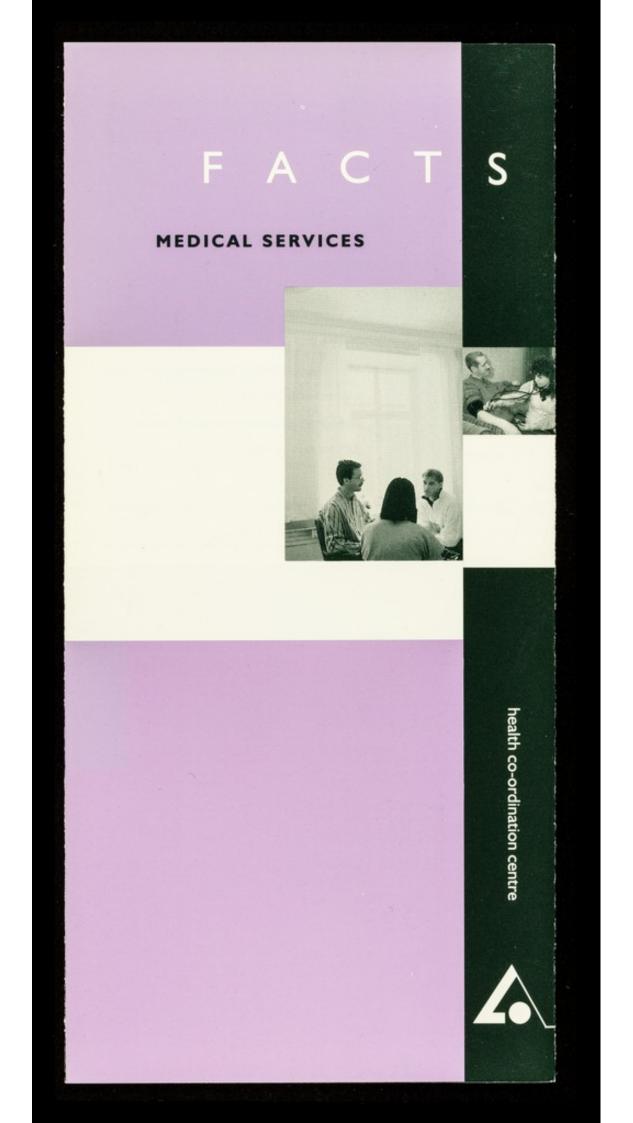
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Based in North London, the FACTS Centre is offering a wide range of services to people living with HIV and AIDS. As well as non-medical and complementary therapies the Centre provides a specialist medical practice dedicated to caring for people with HIV.

Primarily, the medical practice aims to provide an accessible local service with appointments available at convenient times. Evening appointments and home care are also available.

The FACTS medical team combine a sympathetic approach with experience and expertise in the care of people with HIV and AIDS.

It is not necessary to be referred by a doctor. If you wish to make an appointment, call our medical receptionist on 081 348 9195.

All our medical services are available free to anyone affected by HIV and AIDS.





It is important for General Practitioners to become involved in the care of people with HIV and AIDS. FACTS can act as a link between patients, their General Practitioners and their hospital departments.

A community-based clinic, FACTS gives patients a specialist service while working with and supporting General Practitioners to become more involved in caring for people with HIV and AIDS.





There will be times when you may need medical or nursing care at home. The FACTS team can co-ordinate medical services, community nursing, occupational therapy, physiotherapy and other services in your own home.

We welcome referrals from General Practitioners: the Centre acts as a resource, offering a range of specialised services and advice.

You do not necessarily need to be referred by a doctor.

Situated in a quiet residential area in North London, the Centre offers up-to-date facilities including a fully-equipped treatment room.

We also offer a free and confidential HIV antibody testing service with pre- and post-test counselling by experienced counsellors.

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Medical services offered by FACTS include:



- I) HIV antibody testing with pre- and post-test counselling.
- 2) Advice and treatment for HIV related health problems.
- 3) Regular medical check-ups and blood tests.
- 4) Involvement in studies of potential new treatments.
- Treatments which are usually carried out in hospital, for example intravenous chemotherapy.
- Regular treatment with inhaled pentamidine for PCP prophylaxis.
- Treatment of skin problems including minor skin surgery.
- 8) Information on available treatments, side-effects, etc.
- A regular Medical Forum an opportunity for users to ask any questions on medical therapies, trials, etc.
- Referral for dietary advice, physiotherapy, social services, etc.
- 11) Home care when the patient is too ill to attend the Centre.
- Advice, counselling and support for partners, family and friends of those affected by HIV/AIDS.



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Other leaflets available:

AN INTRODUCTION TO FACTS

NON-MEDICAL SERVICES

TRAINING & EDUCATION

VOLUNTEERING

A USER'S GUIDE



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