



# Enabling effective voluntary counselling and testing for men who have sex with men

Increasing the role of community based organizations  
in scaling up VCT services for MSM in China



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# Commonly Used Abbreviations and Acronyms

<b>AIDS</b>	Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome
<b>APCOM</b>	Asia Pacific Coalition on Male Sexual health
<b>APLA</b>	Los Angeles AIDS Project
<b>ART/ARV</b>	Antiretroviral therapy or treatment/antiretroviral drugs
<b>CBO</b>	Community-based organization(s)
<b>CDC</b>	China Centre for Disease Control and Prevention
<b>FHI</b>	Family Health International
<b>IEC</b>	Information, education, and counselling
<b>HIV</b>	Human Immunodeficiency Virus
<b>IDU</b>	Injection drug user
<b>ILO</b>	International Labour Organisation
<b>INGO</b>	International nongovernmental organization(s)
<b>MOF</b>	Ministry of Finance (China national government)
<b>MOH</b>	Ministry of Health (China national government)
<b>MOPS</b>	Ministry of Public Security (China national government)
<b>MSM</b>	Men who have sex with men
<b>NCAIDS</b>	National Centre for AIDS/STD Control and Prevention
<b>NGO</b>	Nongovernmental organization(s)
<b>PLHIV</b>	Person or people living with HIV include those with AIDS
<b>PMTCT</b>	Prevention of mother to child transmission of HIV
<b>SFDA</b>	State Food and Drug Administration
<b>STI</b>	Sexually transmitted infection(s)
<b>SW</b>	Sex worker (FSW – female; MSW – male)
<b>UN</b>	United Nations
<b>UNAIDS</b>	Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS
<b>UNAIDS RSTAP</b>	UNAIDS Regional Support Team Asia and the Pacific
<b>UNDP</b>	United Nations Development Programme
<b>UNDP RBAP</b>	UNDP Regional Bureau Asia and the Pacific
<b>UNFPA</b>	United Nations Populations Fund
<b>UN-TWG/MSM</b>	United Nations Technical Working Group on MSM and HIV/AIDS in China
<b>VCT</b>	Voluntary counselling and testing
<b>WHO</b>	World Health Organization



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