

**FACTORS AFFECTING CONDOM USE WITH FEMALE SEX WORKERS
AMONG CLIENTS IN THE SEVEN HIGHEST HIV/AIDS PREVALENT
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ABSTRACT

This study examines factors affecting condom use among clients of female sex workers (FSWs). Secondary data came from a cross-sectional survey entitled "Assessment of social marketing action about condom and condom using behavior of FSWs and their clients in the seven highest HIV/AIDS prevalent provinces", which was conducted by the HIV/AIDS Prevention Project in Vietnam from October to December 2008. Snowball sampling was used for sampling respondents. The total sample size was 306 clients of FSWs.

The results indicated that perceived susceptibility to HIV infection and HIV/AIDS knowledge had a positive significant association with consistent condom use, while access to condoms, and knowledge about condoms did not. Clients who were older, had a higher level of education, were unmarried, and employed were more likely to use condoms consistently than those who were younger, had a lower educational level, were ever married, and unemployed respectively.

The results suggest that the HIV/AIDS intervention programs must promote perceived susceptibility to HIV infection with training of HIV/AIDS knowledge targeted to clients who are young, have a low level of education, have ever been married or are unemployed.

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