



UMP - Vietnam - HIV
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VIET NAM HIV - ADDICTION TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER CENTER – UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND PHARMACY AT HO CHI MINH CITY (VH-ATTC – UMP)

Established in 2014

Being one of 3 ATTCs in Vietnam

A member of worldwide ATTC Network

MISSION

1 Introduce, transfer and accelerate the adoption and implementation of evidence-based addiction treatment and recovery-oriented practices and services; accordingly, contribute to the improvement of services quality, facilitate the limitation of substance abuse and the HIV epidemic.

2 Heighten the awareness, knowledge, and skills of the workforce that addresses the needs of people with substance abuse or other behavioral health disorders.

3 Act as a bridge to foster alliances among practitioners, researchers, policy makers, funders, and the recovery community.

OUR ACTIVITIES



OUR KEY PARTNERS



Our direct beneficiaries

In - service staff who work directly with SUD and HIV patients

Pre - service staff (Students, Researchers, Lecturers)

Policy makers

50%

31%

19%

Formats: On-site and Online

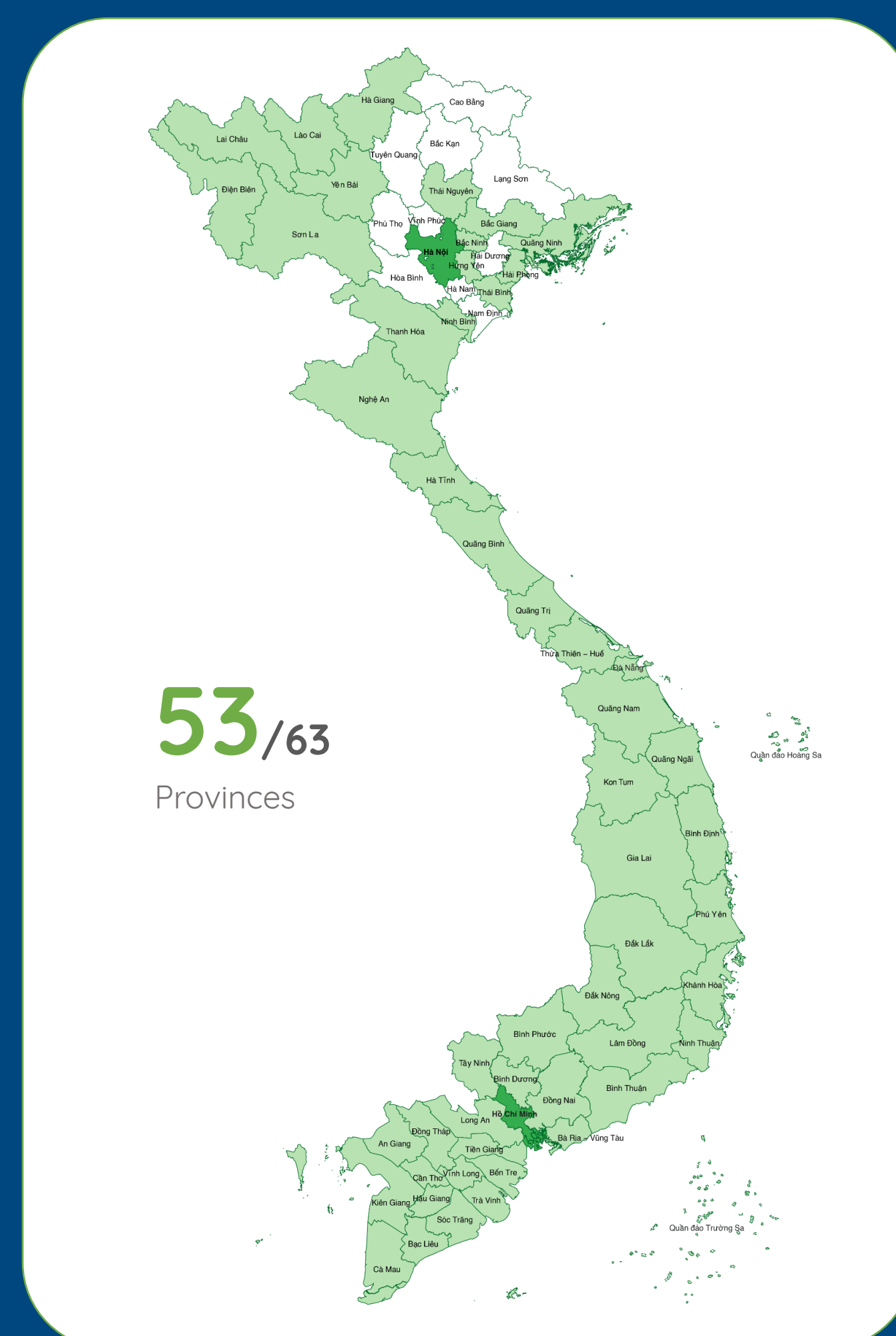
We collaborate with national and international agencies/organizations under the utmost goal:
TO JOIN HANDS TO BUILD A RECOVERY COMMUNITY

Our Achievements 2014 - 2020

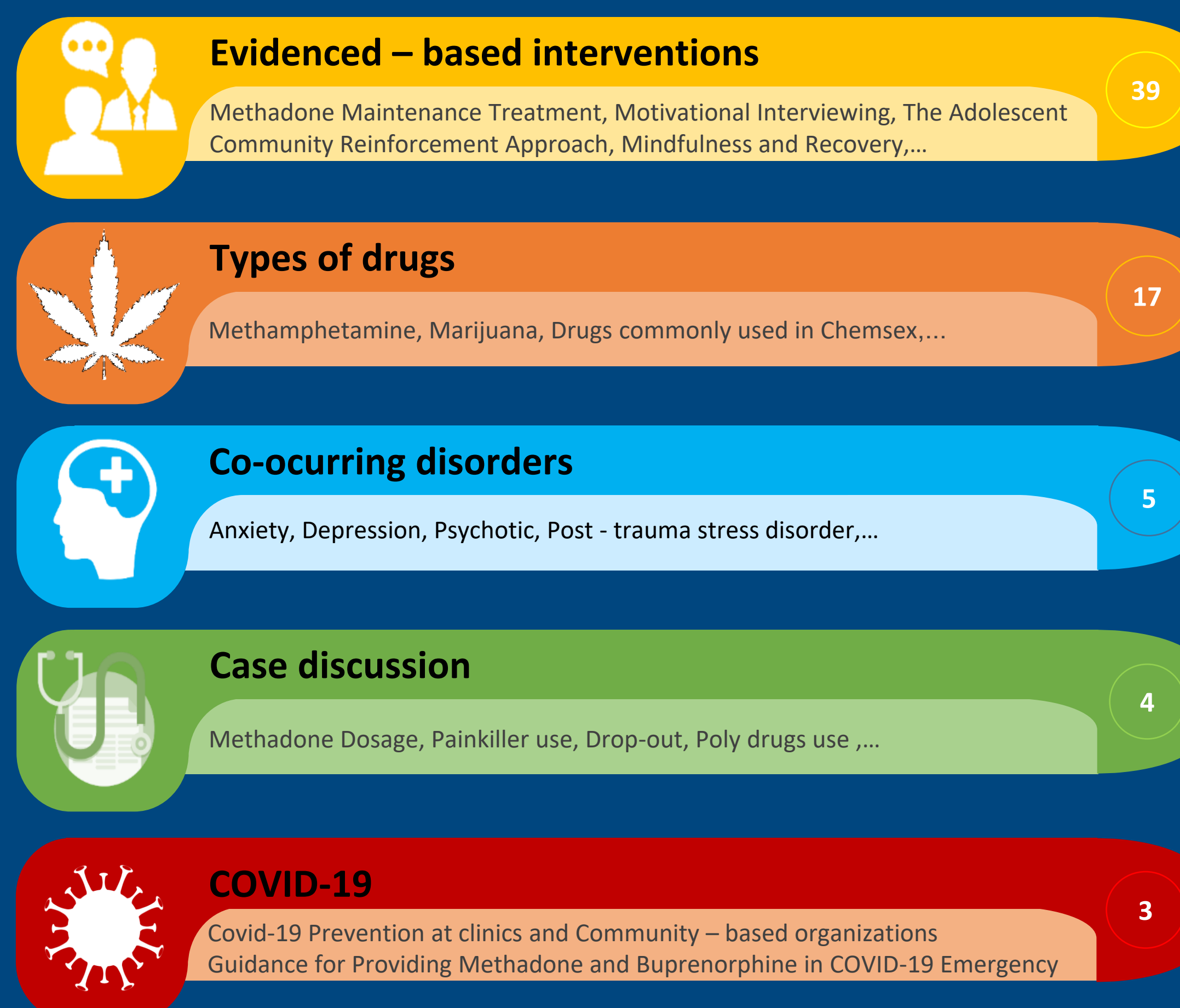
Highlights



Coverage by provinces



Distance Training Program 68 Sessions with 5 Main Topics



Participants/Patients' feedbacks

"I know how to respond when encountering an overdose case to help myself, my partners, as well as my clients" – Online training course participant

"I gained a lot of experiences from senior persons, from my colleagues that don't have in any documents" – Methadone maintenance treatment course participant

"Lecturers equipped me with useful knowledge, latest guidance on-hands discussions. As a result, I can update knowledge fast and make effective application on my daily jobs." – Methadone maintenance treatment course participant

"My life is getting much better. I gained 8 kg for 2 months. I've improved my memory a lot!" – A patient after 16 weeks receiving Meth-intervention

"I will apply motivational interviewing techniques learnt from this course for my young students, my patients and myself; Using their self-potential to support for their changes" – Doctor – Lecturer - Motivational interviewing course participant

Studies and Evidence – Based Intervention conducted

HIV AND METHADONE MAINTENANCE TREATMENT PROGRAM

- Year 2017**
- Reasons for client drop-out in MMT clinics in Ho Chi Minh City, Vietnam (n=1069)
 - Survey on online training needs of MMT clinics in the South of Vietnam (n=95)
 - Assessing the symptoms of Internet gaming disorder among college/university students: An international validation study self-report (n=453)
- Year 2018**
- Survey on impacts of Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) on preventing HIV transmission and improving the well-being of people living with HIV in Ho Chi Minh City (n=259)
 - Screening and evaluating the results of intervention for patients using stimulant drugs in MMT clinics in Ho Chi Minh City
 - Prevalence of substance use and HIV infection among MMT patients in HCM City (n=967)
- Year 2019 - 2020**
- Intervention model: "Facilitating peer support groups" for Faith - Based Organizations (n=140)

MEN WHO HAVE SEX WITH MEN (MSM) AND TRANSGENDER WOMEN (TGW) POPULATIONS

- Year 2018**
- HIV prevalence among Transgender Women in Ho Chi Minh City (n=456)
- Year 2019**
- Prevalence of substance use and HIV among MSM and TGW in HCM Metro (4 provinces) (n=986)
- Year 2020**
- Effectiveness of interventions on reducing HIV transmission among MSM and TGW with CHEMSEX behaviors in Ho Chi Minh City: a randomized controlled trial (n=600)

Policy Advocacy

- Support, provide technical consultancy for the Ministry of Health and other local agencies.
- VHATTC – UMP collaborated with 2 other VH-ATTCs and other organizations to conduct workshops and provide recommendations to the Vietnam National Assembly on substance use intervention especially stimulant drugs.
- Organize and co-organize Trainings and Policy dialogues: "HIV Prevention, Treatment, Care and Support for people who use Stimulant drugs".
- Develop and make suggestions for MOH on Guideline to reduce Methamphetamine use and some other guidance documents.

LESSONS LEARNT

- Multidisciplinary coordination: Ministry of Health, Department of Labor, Invalids and Social Affairs,... in implementing the activities.
- Pay attention to practical needs from participants.
- Combining training and technical assistance in one session optimizes the outcomes.

* Data collected from November 2014 to June 2020