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for better health and  
sustainable development”*

## **African Muslim Women and HIV/AIDS**

WoManBeing Concern with funding from Lambeth PCT is carrying out a project aimed at rising awareness on HIV/AIDS among the African Muslim Women in Lambeth, Southwark and Lewisham.

To date, a number of workshops have been held in various mosques and areas within LSL. WBC carried out these workshops in collaboration with Muslim Organisations including; The Muslim Sisters Organisation and The Muslim Association of Nigeria UK.

### **Content of Workshops**

#### **1. Basic information on HIV/AIDS**

Participants are educated on what HIV and AIDS and how they differ, methods by which the HIV virus is transmitted and the importance HIV testing and one knowing their sero-status.

Islamic sensitive information about HIV/AIDS, stigma and discrimination is also disseminated. This information directly related quotes from the Holy book and Hadith to daily situations in life that may be faced with by people infected and affected by HIV/AIDS as well as the general public, Muslims in particular. [Click here](#) for speech delivered at one of the workshops.

## **2. Specific information on HIV/AIDS**

At some workshops, guest speakers from the public sector are invited to share information for example statistic on the prevalence of HIV/AIDS in LSL boroughs.

HIV Positive women are also invited to give testimonies at these workshops.

## **3. Visual Presentations**

Various drama presentations are also shown at these workshops, they include:

- ***HIV Positive Muslim Women – A video***

This is a video of HIV positive African women highlighting their plight and how they have over come some hurdles presented by their being HIV positive. General sexual health issues are also discussed.

- ***Stigma and Discrimination – An African Youth Video***

This video high lights stigma and discrimination faced by PLWHA. This video will be made available to the general public through Health First at a future date.

**PICTURES FROM THESE WORKSHOPS**



*From the workshop held in collaboration with MAN Mosque*



*From the workshop held in collaboration with Muslim Association of Nigeria UK at Old Kent Road Mosque on 27<sup>th</sup> May 2005*



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*From the workshop held in collaboration with Muslim Sisters Organisation at Brixton Recreation Centre held on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2005*