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Maseru's Most Masculine Clinic: Improving Men's Access to Health Care in Lesotho

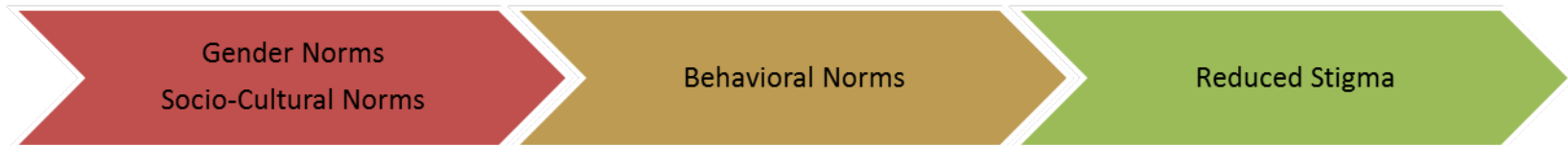
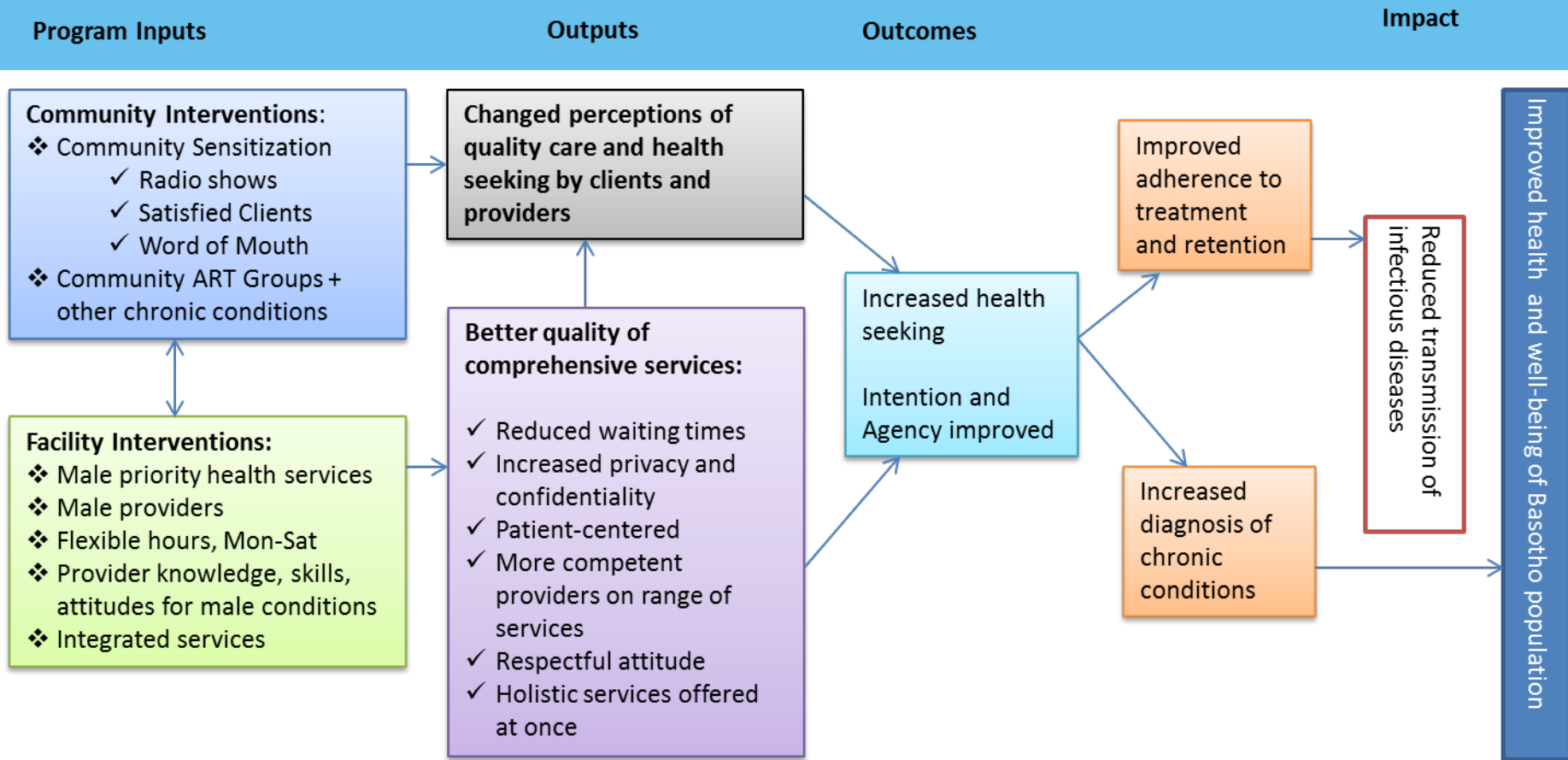


Background: VMMC/ male clinic

- Scott hospital VMMC/Male clinic is a stand alone site, away from the main hospital, only male clinic in the country within a public hospital. VMMC site since 2014
- Anecdotal and DHS evidence points out that generally Basotho men do not go for healthcare services
- Funded by USAID, VMMC sites has been found to be a platform for men to access healthcare services, serving over 130,000 men
- Integrated services
- Program began July 2016, Populations served
 - adult males > 15 years of age
 - Female partners

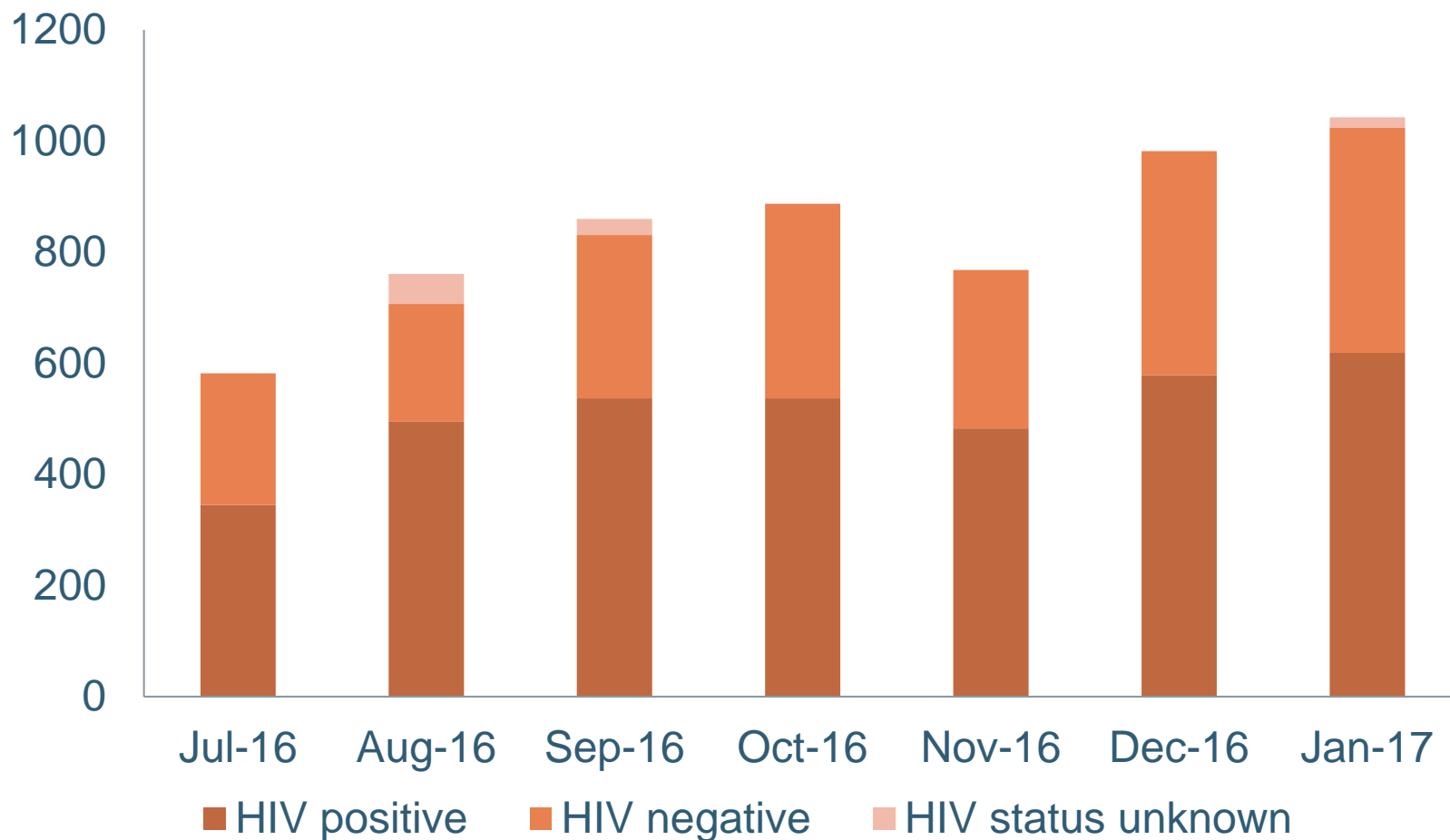


Theory of Change



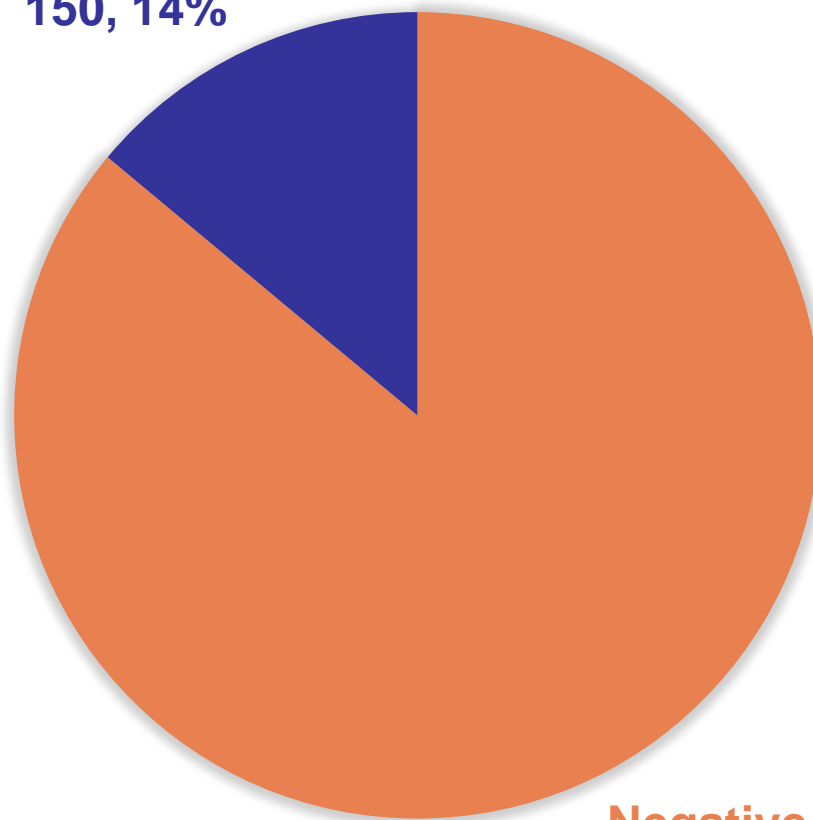
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Client visits July 2016-January 2017 (not including VMCC)



All Clients tested for HIV in the male clinic, July 2016 to Jan 2017

**Positive,
150, 14%**



**Negative,
926, 86%**

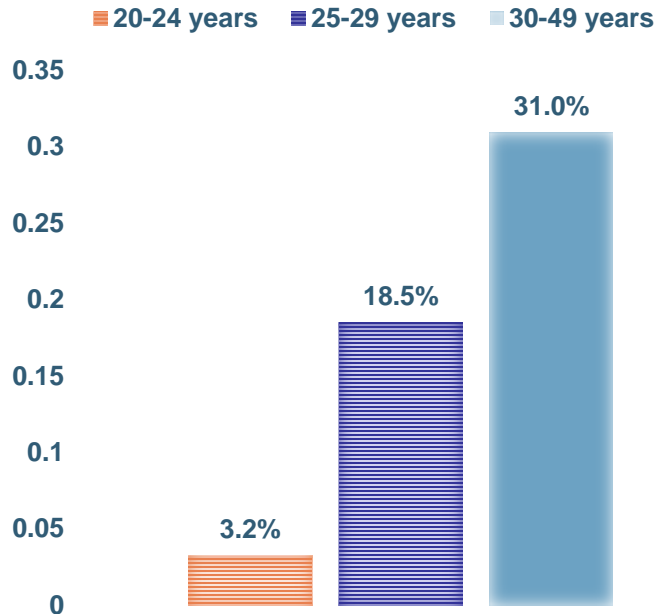
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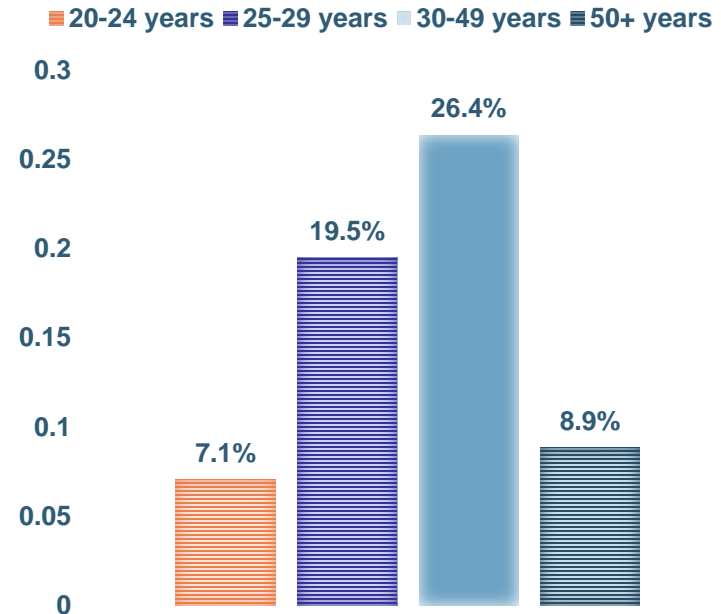
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150 men newly diagnosed with HIV from July 2016 to January 2017

New HIV Diagnoses of VMMC Clients by Age Range



New HIV Diagnoses of non-VMMC Clients by Age Range

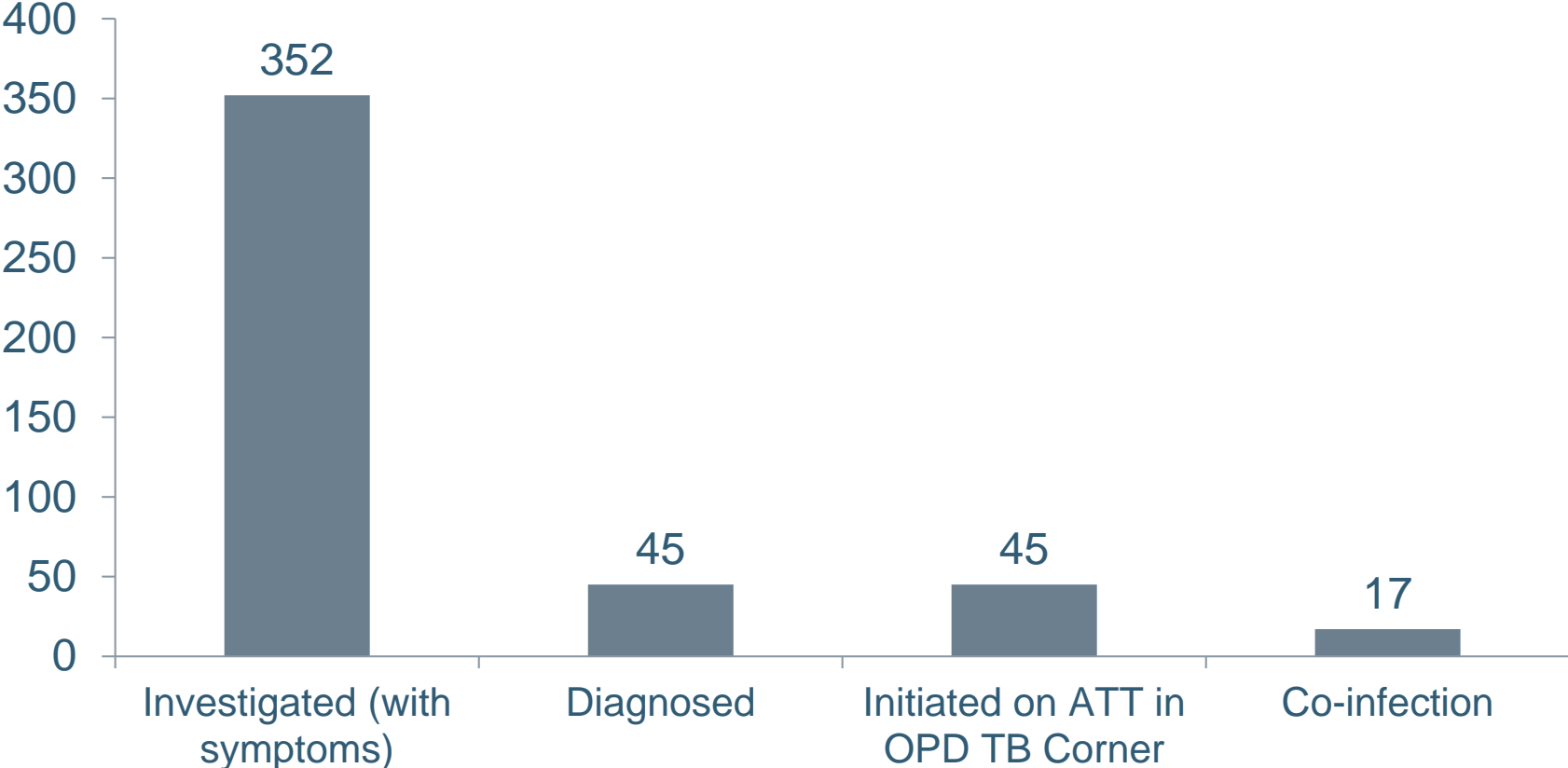


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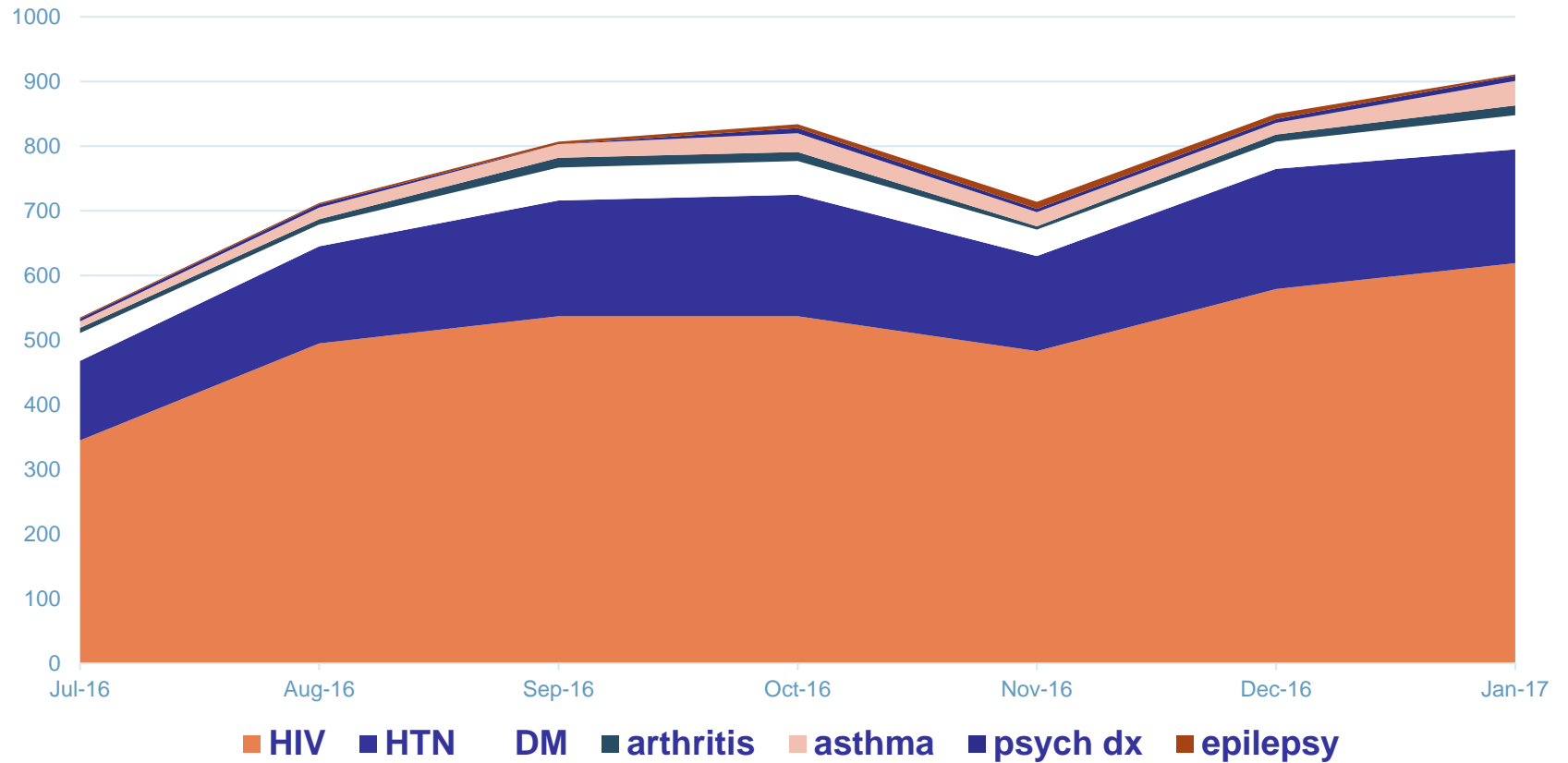
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TB Cascade, July 2016 – January 2017



Visits by Chronic diagnosis

Commonly Seen Chronic Diseases

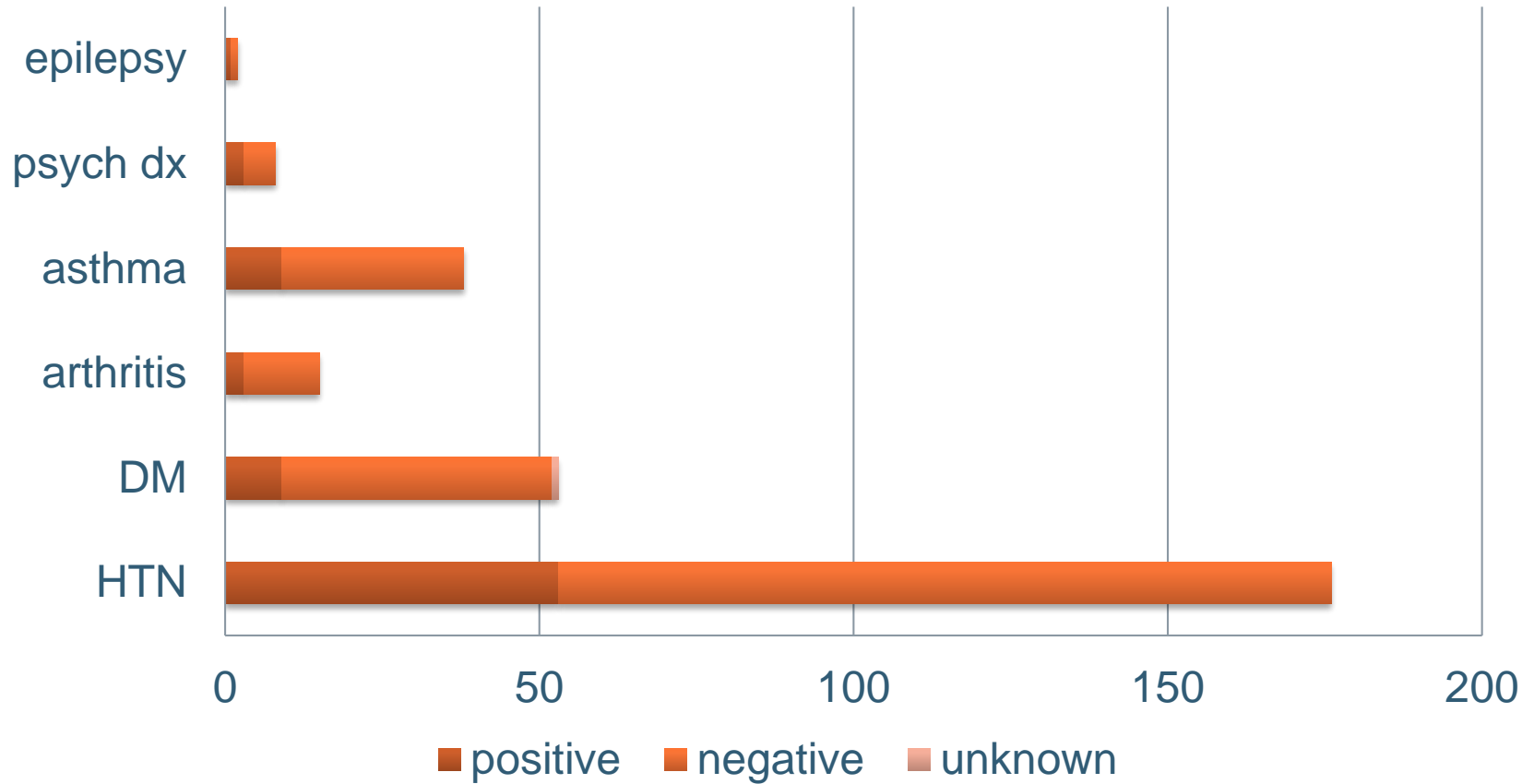


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People receiving services for chronic diseases by HIV status, July 2016 – January 2017

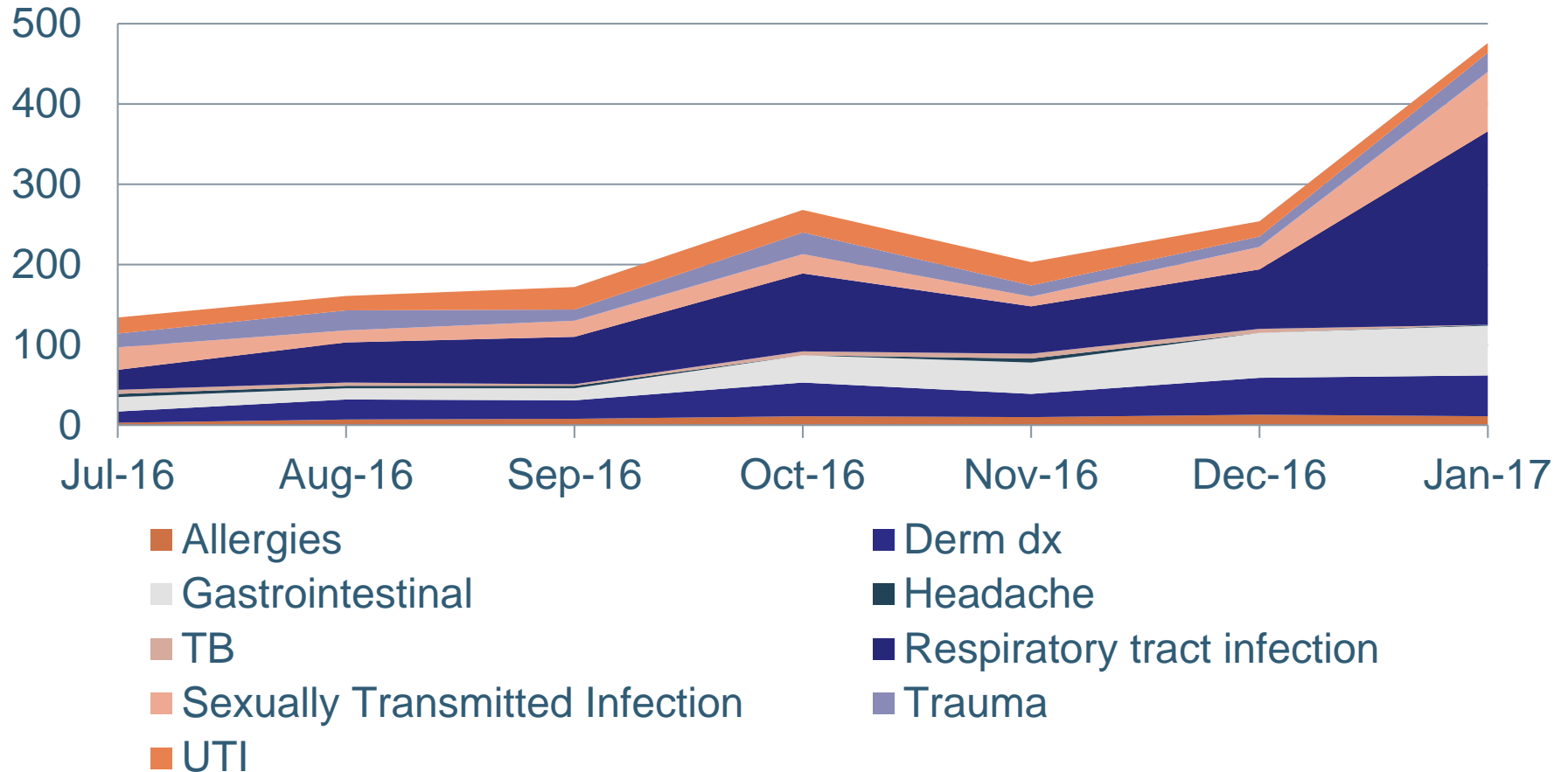


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Reasons for acute visits among HIV positive and negative clients



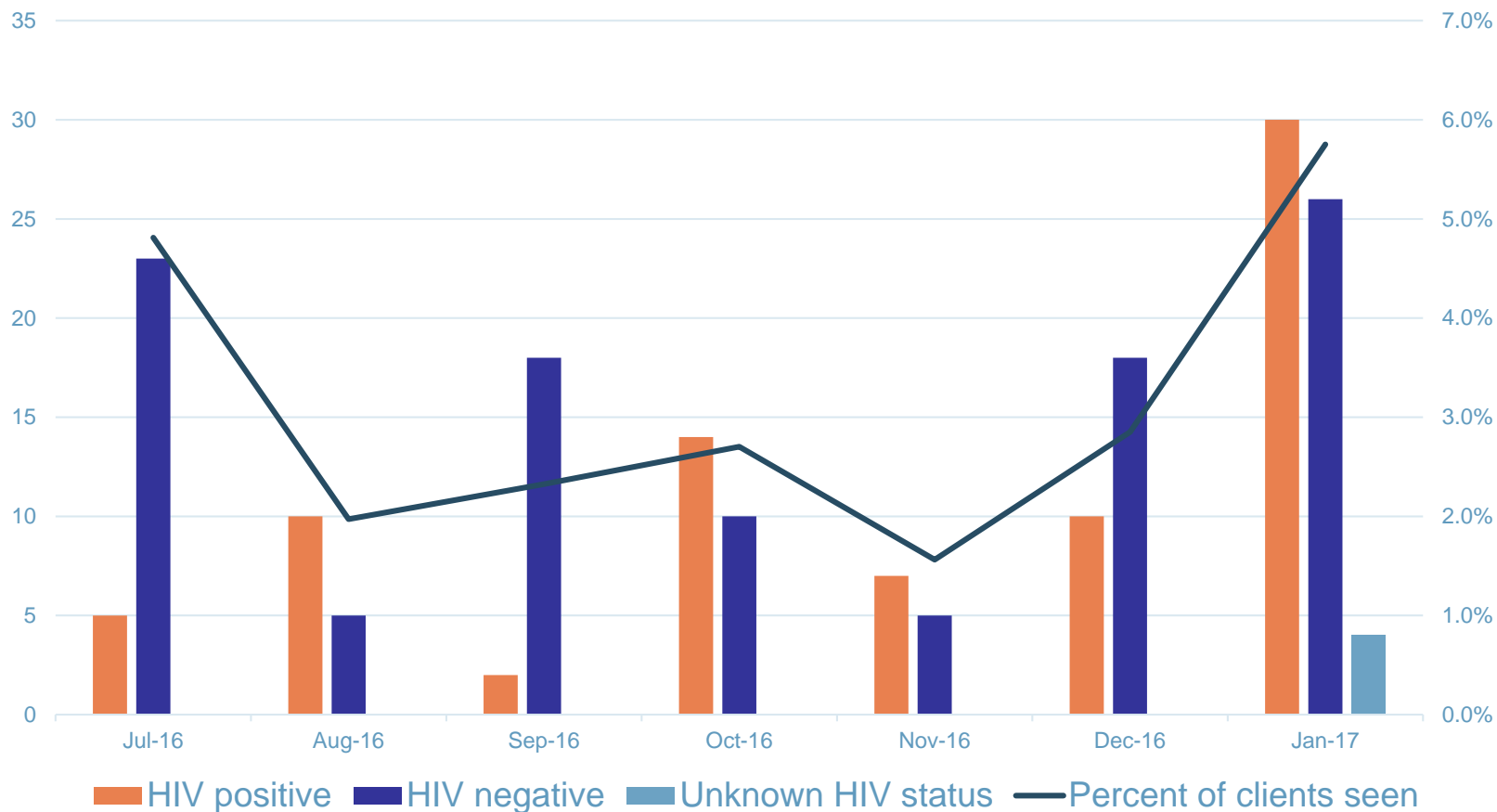
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Sexually transmitted infections are commonly diagnosed and treated

STIs Treated by HIV Status of Client



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Results: satisfaction survey

“I'm free to explain all my diseases and to ask some questions to the male doctor”.

“ Male doctors have secrets and are confidential unlike women doctors.”

“Yes, because we are free to raise our concerns... Ever since we were provided these services as men only, I feel very much satisfied.”

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#whatworks

- Male-priority clinic increases attendance
- VMMC is a learning platform to address males need
- sociocultural and gender norms
- Co-morbidity is common
- Need to expand access to care for men living with chronic diseases beyond HIV
- Enhancing partner testing

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