

Topics

Hotels, catering & tourism

HIV / AIDS

An HIV/AIDS workplace policy for the tourism sector is available via the ILO office in the Caribbean. This policy is based on the ILO code of practice on HIV/AIDS and the world of work, adopted by the international tripartite meeting convened by the ILO in 2001, and includes key concepts and principles of the ILO code of practice.

The ILO is supporting work on this issue via its regional offices information campaigns and workplace approaches. Currently the ILO has producing an awareness raising leaflet on HIV/AIDS (available in Arabic only) for hotel workers in the Arab world. The HCT sector is also cooperating with ILO/AIDS to develop guidelines and toolkit on HIV/AIDS in the tourism sector. The guidelines have been validated in more than 10 hotels in Laos.

Moreover, ILO and UNWTO have recently agreed to cooperate with the Tour Operator Initiative (TOI) on the integration of HIV and AIDS in this initiative. The cooperation proposal was presented during the TOI's Annual General Meeting in November 2010. The International Hotel and Restaurant Association (IHRA) has also developed a manual to deal with this issue at management and workplace level

Links for further information:

- HIV/AIDS workplace policy for the tourism sector
http://www.ilocarib.org.tt/portal/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=1126&Itemid=1023
- ILO code of practice on HIV/AIDS
<http://www.ilo.org/safework/lang--en/index.html>
- ILO&TOI Cooperation proposal (pdf)
- IHRA Workplace HIV/AIDS Manual
<http://allafrica.com/download/resource/main/main/00011384:ffaefdc8ec8102f18d4fda52121ca70c.pdf>