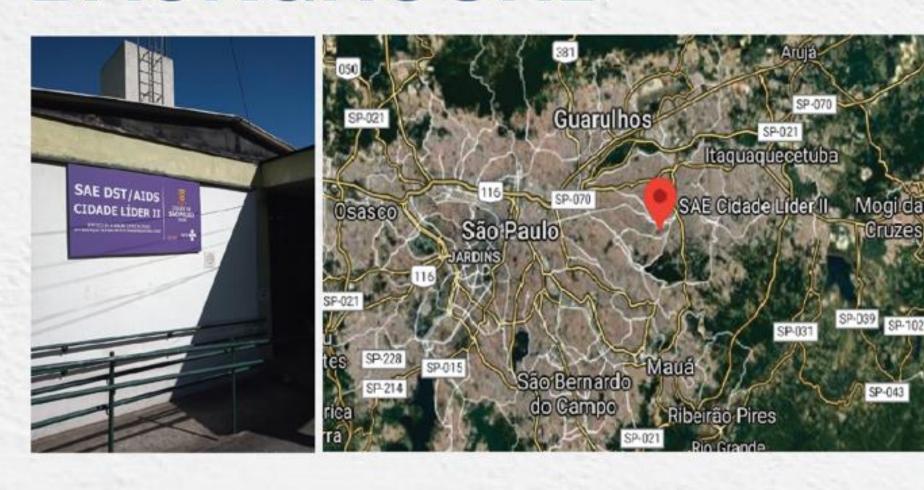
# THE CONSTRUCTION OF THE SINGULAR THERAPEUTIC PROJECT IN THE RETENTION PROCESS OF PATIENTS LIVING WITH HIV

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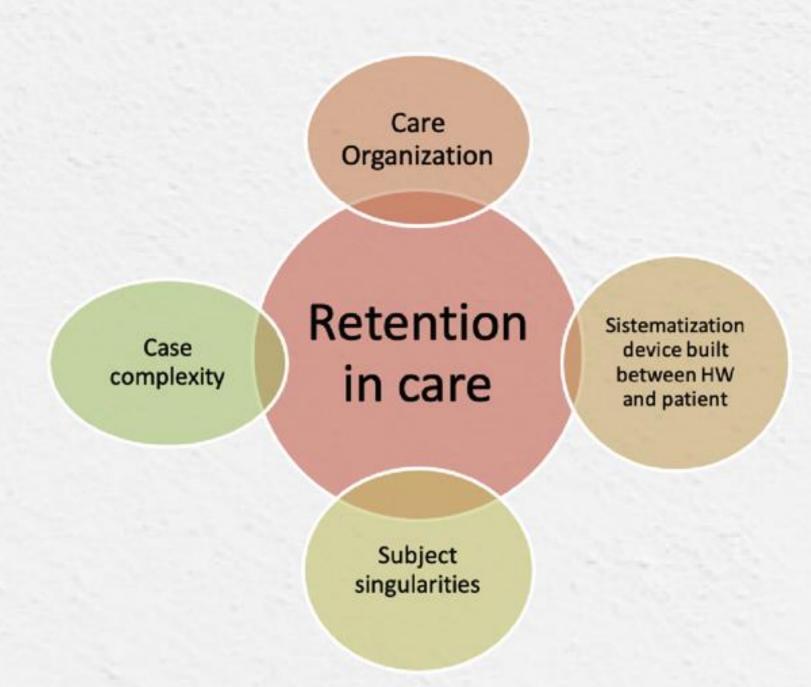
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## BACKGROUND



Demonstrate the importance of the Singular Therapeutic Project (STP) in the process of retaining people living with HIV (PLHIV). The STP is a care organization and systematization device built between health team and patient, considering subject singularities and case complexity.

### Singular Therapeutic Project (STP)

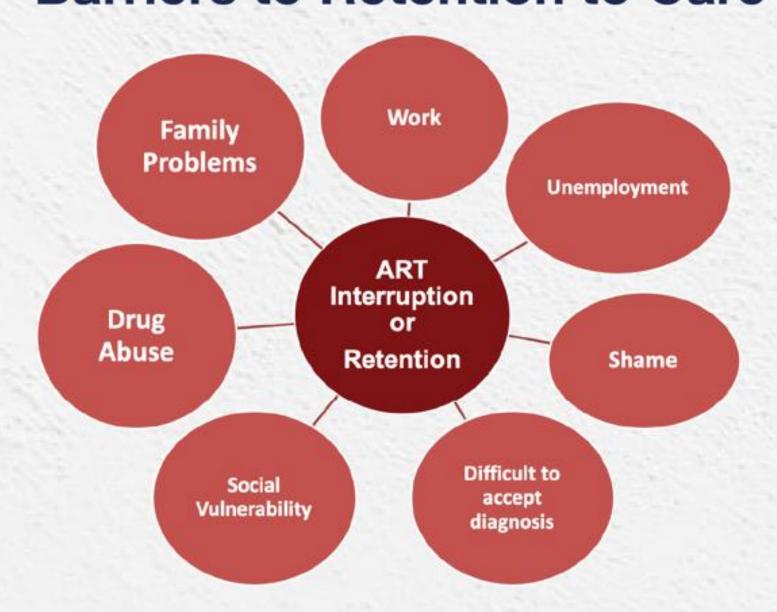


# DESCRIPTION

Intervention research in HIV care services in the city of São Paulo / Brazil, from 2017 to 2022, considering the linkage to care of newly diagnosed cases and retention to antirretroviral treatment (ART). It was observed that the motivations of PLHIV for interruption to treatment are multifactorial and issues such as work, unemployment, shame, difficulties in accepting

the diagnosis, social vulnerability, drug abuse, family problems, among others, require articulations that go beyond care centered on medical consultation and / or antiretroviral (ARV) withdrawal. Retention to HIV treatment requires health teams to monitor PLHIV who has vulnerabities that can take them to interrupt their follow up, by providing regular and continuous medical follow-up to ensure clinical follow-up with low bureaucratic demands.

#### **Barriers to Retention to Care**

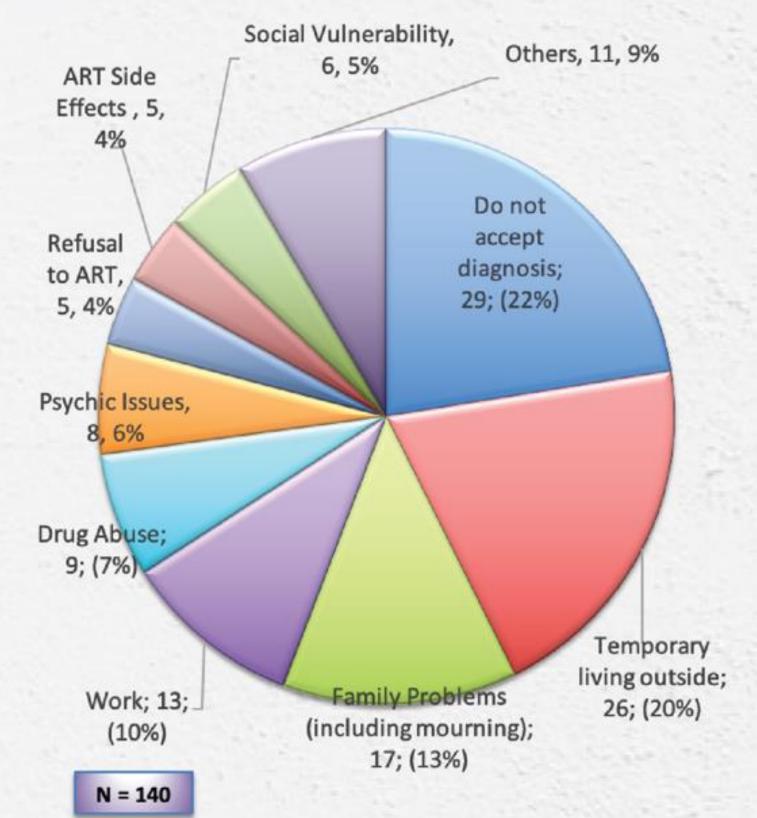


However, the singularities of each case must be considered. There were cases of patients treated by the project team who, for successful retention, demanded articulation with specific program networks such as: Social Assistance, Judiciary, Guardianship Council, Basic Health Unit, Family Health Program, once medical scheduling and ARV withdrawal were not sufficient for "good" treatment adherence.

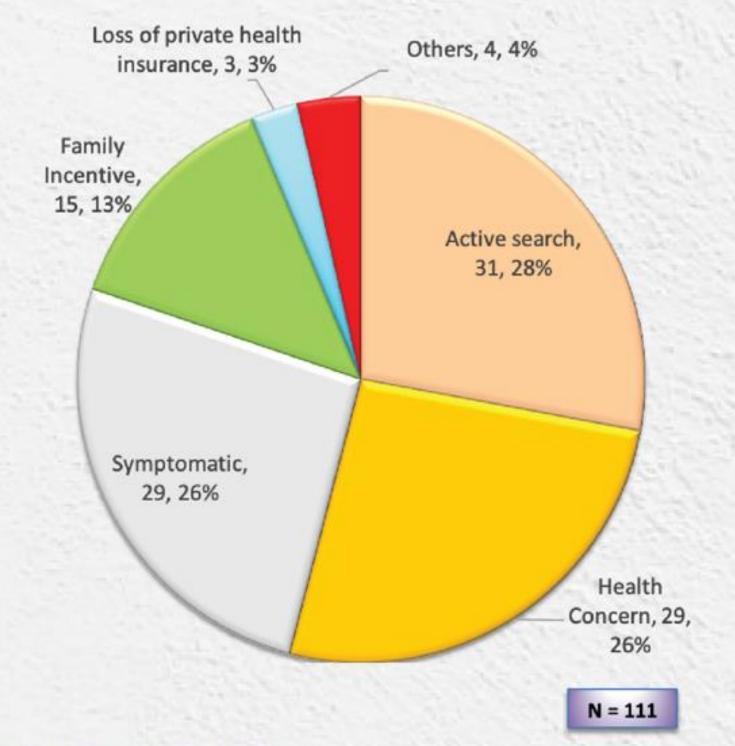
#### **Improving Retention to Care**



#### Reasons to interrupt follow up



#### Reasons to return to follow up



# LESSONS

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