

## Introduction

- Inadequate documentation of sexual history can lead to missed opportunities for disease prevention, treatment, and improved quality of life.

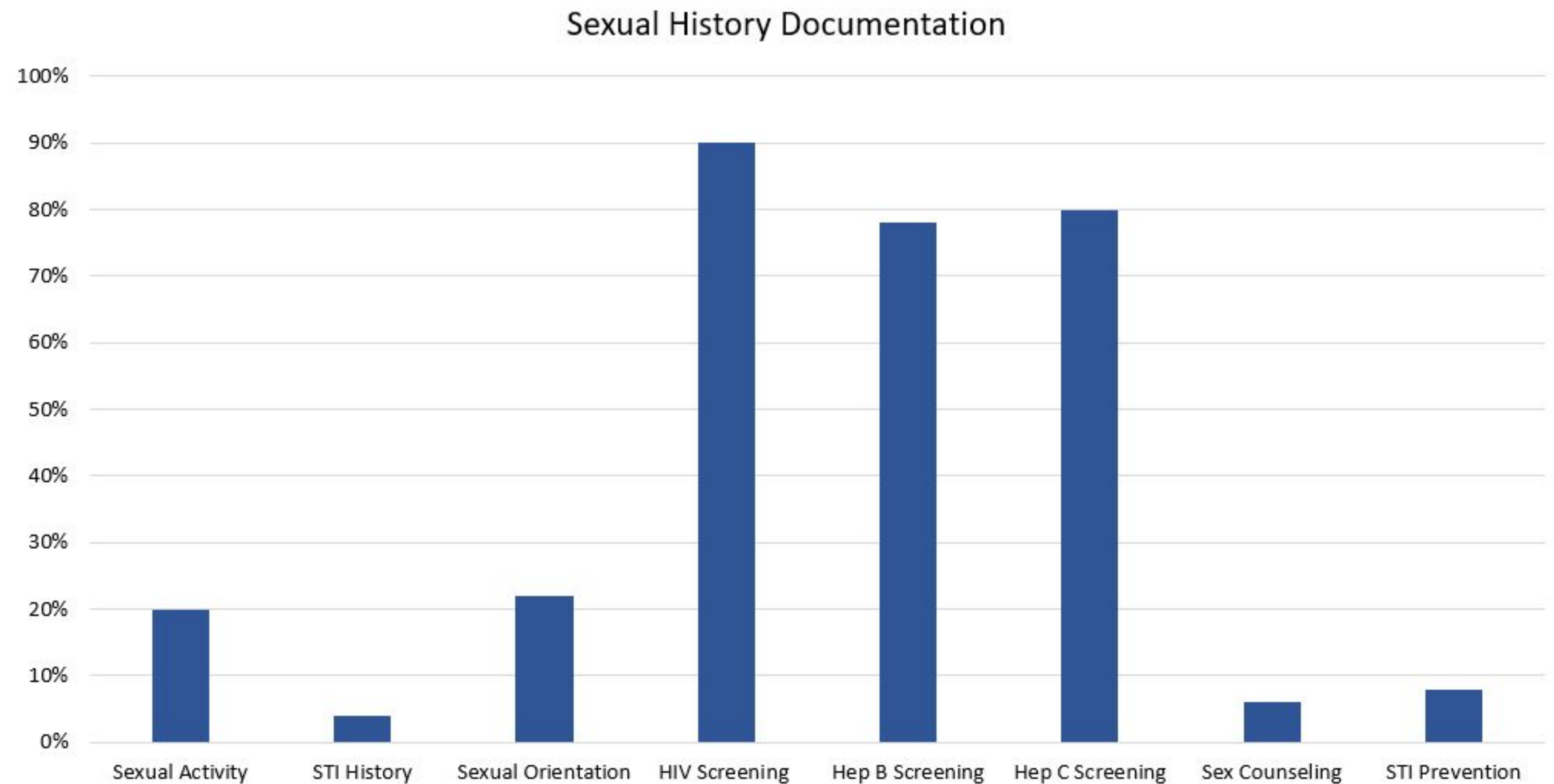
## Objective

- Here, we analyzed data from 50 patients in our ambulatory care clinic to better understand how well our residents obtained sexual history and if they screened appropriately for sexually transmitted infections (STI).

## Methods

- We reviewed a randomized sample of 50 first clinic encounters during the month of February 2021.
- We assessed for documentation of the following elements: sexual activity, gender of partners, HIV status, Hepatitis B status, and STI screening.
- Documentation of STI prevention methods and general sexual health was also reviewed.

## Results



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- There were 19 PGY-1's, 13 PGY-2's, and 18 PGY-3's whose documentations were analyzed.
- Documentation of current sexual activity was absent in 80% of the charts reviewed.
- Sexual orientation or gender of partners was found in only 22% of encounters.
- History of STI was found documented in only 4% of charts reviewed.
- Meanwhile, HIV and Hepatitis B vaccination statuses were documented in 90% and 78% of encounters, respectively.
- 6% of patients had sexual counseling provided and 8% had either an STI or contraceptive method documented.
- Documentation of all aspects of sexual did not vary significantly with respect to resident gender and PGY level.

## Conclusions

- While residents have regularly ordered HIV and Hepatitis B screenings as part of their healthcare maintenance template, they have failed to identify patients that may be candidates for gonorrhea and chlamydia screening, HPV vaccinations, Hepatitis A vaccinations, or HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP).
- A possible intervention would be to utilize a smart phrase or to incorporate sexual health questions into a note template.
- Counseling and having discussions regarding sexual health needs to be more frequently addressed to improve disease prevention and improved overall quality of life.