



# TECHNICAL MANUAL

**CHASE** stands for Community Health, Advice, Support and Education.

It is a project that was set up in 2003 to specifically address the lack of user-friendly and peer-led training materials, especially in establishments such as prisons and schools.

The project was set up by the team behind **+VE** - a monthly magazine providing information on blood-borne viruses, sexual health and TB. The development of the CHASE pack has been supported with unrestricted educational grants from GlaxoSmithKline Positive Action.

The CHASE pack was developed in conjunction with health care staff, community groups, drug workers, prison staff and serving prisoners.

From the start we have tried to make this pack as comprehensive - yet easy to use - as possible.

It has been tested out on a variety of audiences with different skills bases and it has been tested in various arenas including prisons, schools and health care settings.

The CHASE pack covers five broad subjects:

- HEPATITIS;
- HIV;
- OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE;
- SEXUAL HEALTH;
- TB (TUBERCULOSIS).

Each of these is broken down into three levels:

- BEGINNER;
- INTERMEDIATE;
- ADVANCED.

This modular design, the way the CHASE pack is all colour coded and the simple language and explanation of terminology should make it adaptable for use in many environments and for various audiences. This technical manual is intended as a guide to help you use the CHASE pack and is by no means exhaustive. You may wish to adapt some of the components and possibly add more resources.