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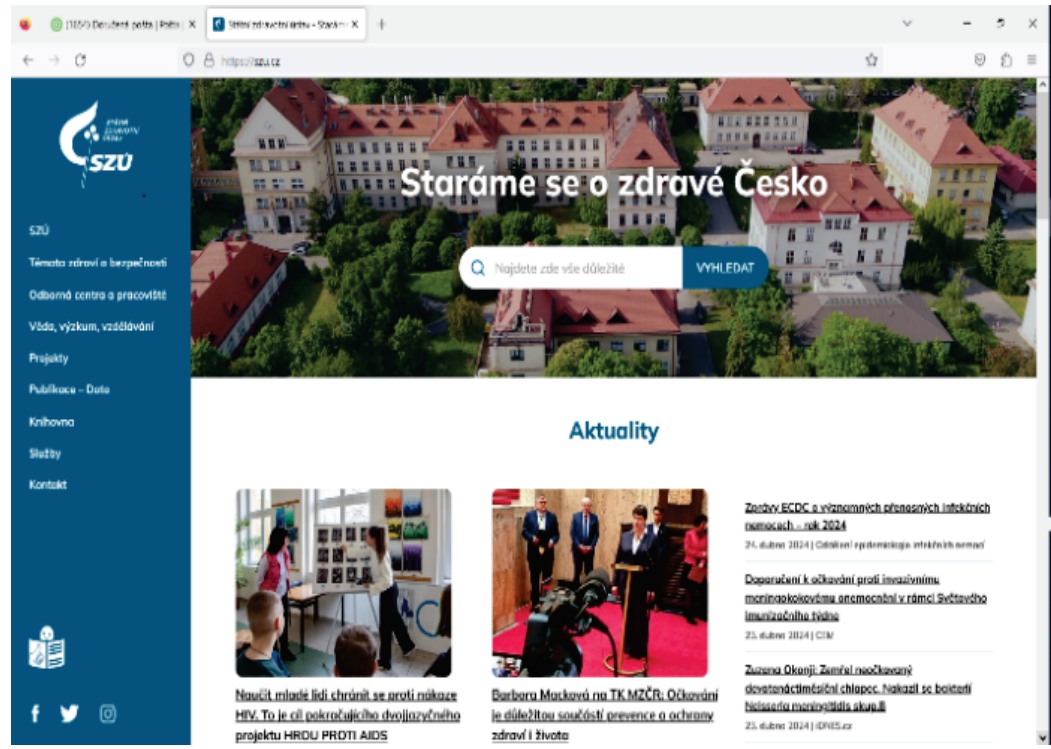
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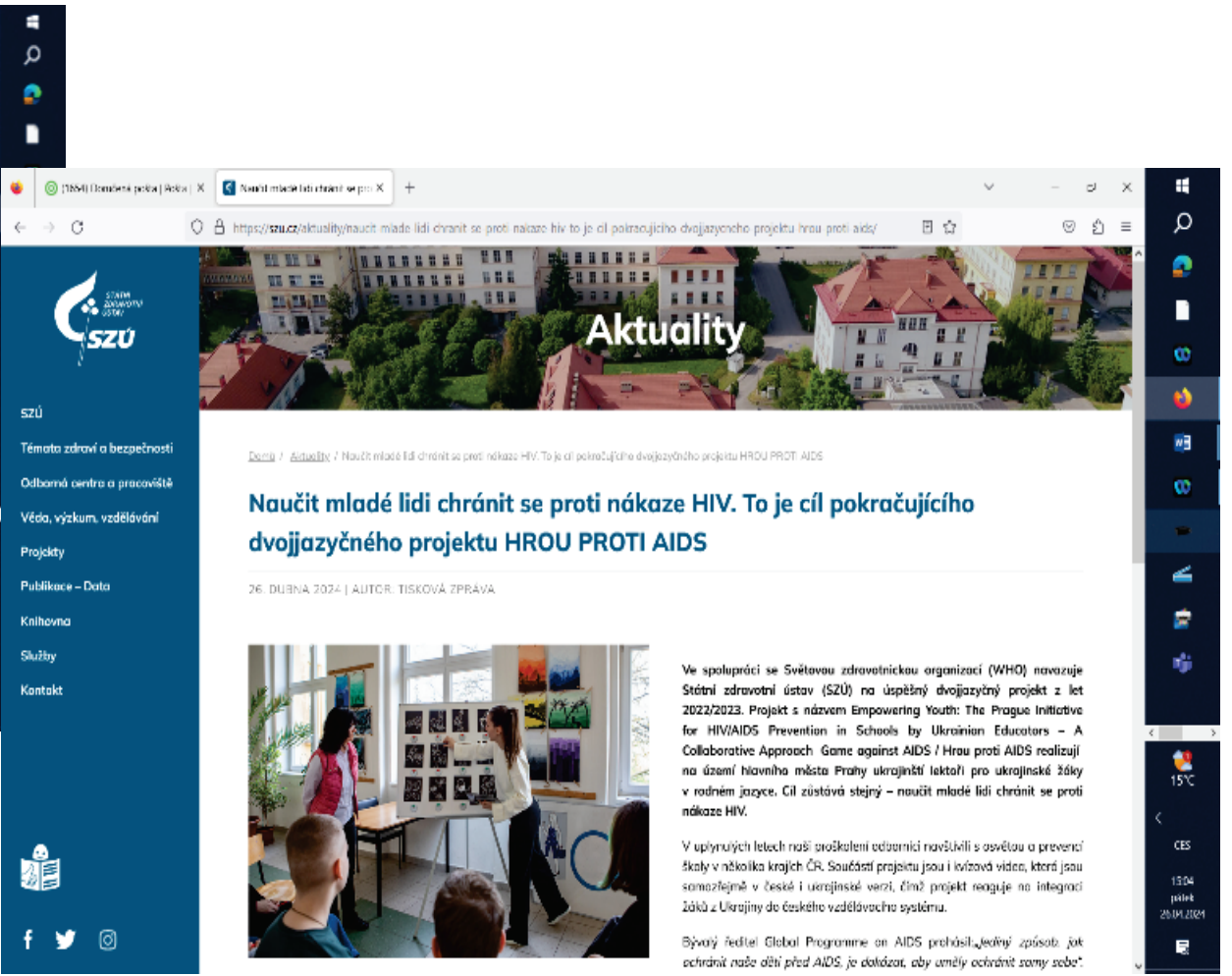
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The screenshot shows the homepage of the Státní zdravotní ústav (SZU). The header features the SZU logo and the slogan "Staráme se o zdravé Česko". A search bar is present with the text "Najdete zde vše důležité" and a "VYHLEDAT" button. The main content area is titled "Aktuality" and contains two news items:

- News Item 1:** "Naučit mladé lidi chránit se proti nákaze HIV. To je cíl pokračujícího dvojjazyčného projektu HROU PROTI AIDS". The image shows a woman presenting to a group of children.
- News Item 2:** "Barbara Macková na TK MZČR: Očkování je důležitou součástí prevence a ochrany zdraví i života". The image shows a woman speaking at a podium.

A sidebar on the left contains navigation links: SZU, Témata zdraví a bezpečnosti, Odborná centra a pracoviště, Věda, výzkum, vzdělávání, Projekty, Publikace – Data, Knihovna, Služby, and Kontakt.



The screenshot shows a news article on the SZU website. The article title is "Naučit mladé lidi chránit se proti nákaze HIV. To je cíl pokračujícího dvojjazyčného projektu HROU PROTI AIDS". The article text reads:

Ve spolupráci se Světovou zdravotnickou organizací (WHO) navazuje Státní zdravotní ústav (SZU) na úspěšný dvojjazyčný projekt z let 2022/2023. Projekt s názvem Empowering Youth: The Prague Initiative for HIV/AIDS Prevention in Schools by Ukrainian Educators – A Collaborative Approach Game against AIDS / Hrou proti AIDS realizují na území hlavního města Prahy ukrajinskí lektaři pro ukrajinské žáky v rodném jazyce. Cíl zůstává stejný – naučit mladé lidi chránit se proti nákaze HIV.

V uplynulých letech naši spolužáci odborníci navštívili s osvětou a prevencí školy v několika krajích ČR. Součástí projektu jsou i kvízová videa, která jsou samozřejmě v české i ukrajinské verzi, čímž projekt reaguje na integraci žáků z Ukrajiny do českého vzdělávacího systému.

Bývalý ředitel Global Programme on AIDS přehrábil „jediny způsob, jak ochránit naše děti před AIDS, je dotázat, aby uměly ochránit samy sebe“.

The article includes a photo of a woman presenting to children in a classroom setting.

Basic information

Name of Organization:	National Institute of Public Health, CZ
Name of Project:	Empowering Youth: The Prague Initiative for HIV/AIDS Prevention in Schools by Ukrainian Educators – A Collaborative Approach
Sub-Agreement #:	2024/14612270
Time Period of Agreement:	April 1 – June 14, 2024
Country:	Czech Republic
Site(s)/Location(s):	Prague

Indicators to be reported

Indicator	Plan	Reality	%
Number of trained facilitators:	10	10	100
Number of events:	24	23	95.8
Number of pupils:	480	404	84.2
Impact through the waiting rooms of doctors' offices	About 1,000,000 CZ/UA	About 1,250,000 CZ/UA	125
Impact through social media:	About 500,000 CZ/UA	About 1,334,526 CZ/UA	266.9
N of schools and NGOs approached in April (/In total)	10	20/39	200/390
N of approached organizations that provide accommodation for Ukrainian youth	1	4	400
N of educational quiz, based on the project, on the website of the City of Prague		900	
N of GPs for, adults, for children and gynecologists waiting rooms where the quiz is administered	1100	1100	100

Overall Goal

“By the end of the **project period, measured from April to June 2024, the initiative will achieve a 20% increase** in the comprehensive understanding of HIV/AIDS among Ukrainian pupils and students in Prague, evidenced through pre- and post-assessment surveys.

This will encompass knowledge pertaining to HIV/AIDS transmission, available testing options within the Czech Republic, treatment modalities, living with HIV/AIDS, and awareness of other sexually transmitted infections (STIs).

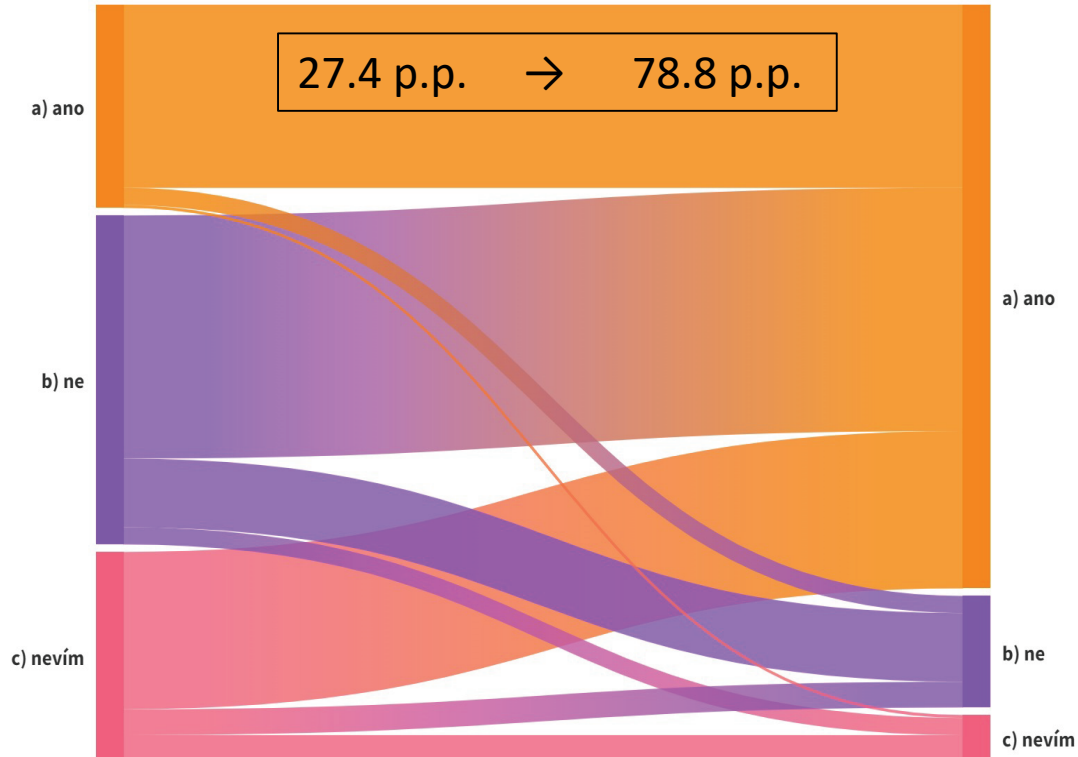
Additionally, the project seeks to foster positive attitudes towards HIV/AIDS and individuals living with the virus among the targeted demographic, as measured by attitudinal surveys administered before and after the intervention.”

Fulfillment of the overall goal

- One of the main goals we set was **to improve the knowledge of project participants by 20 percentage points.**
- **On average, we achieved an improvement of 30.32 percentage points.**
- The answers to some questions were good and an improvement of 20 percentage points was not possible.
- In some cases, **there was a change for the better by as much as 51.4 percentage points.** The result is all the more significant because **it was a change of attitude towards people living with HIV in question # 13 – "Would you buy fresh vegetables from an HIV-positive seller?" – there was a change of "YES" before and after the completion of the project from 27.4 percentage points to 78.8 percentage points.**
- **To question #14 - "Do you think that children who are HIV positive should be able to go to school together with children who are HIV negative?" – in this event the change was from 38.6 percentage points before the start of the project to 78.0 percentage points after its completion.**
- **This shows that improving knowledge leads to an immediate change in attitudes and it was the goal the project sought to achieve.**

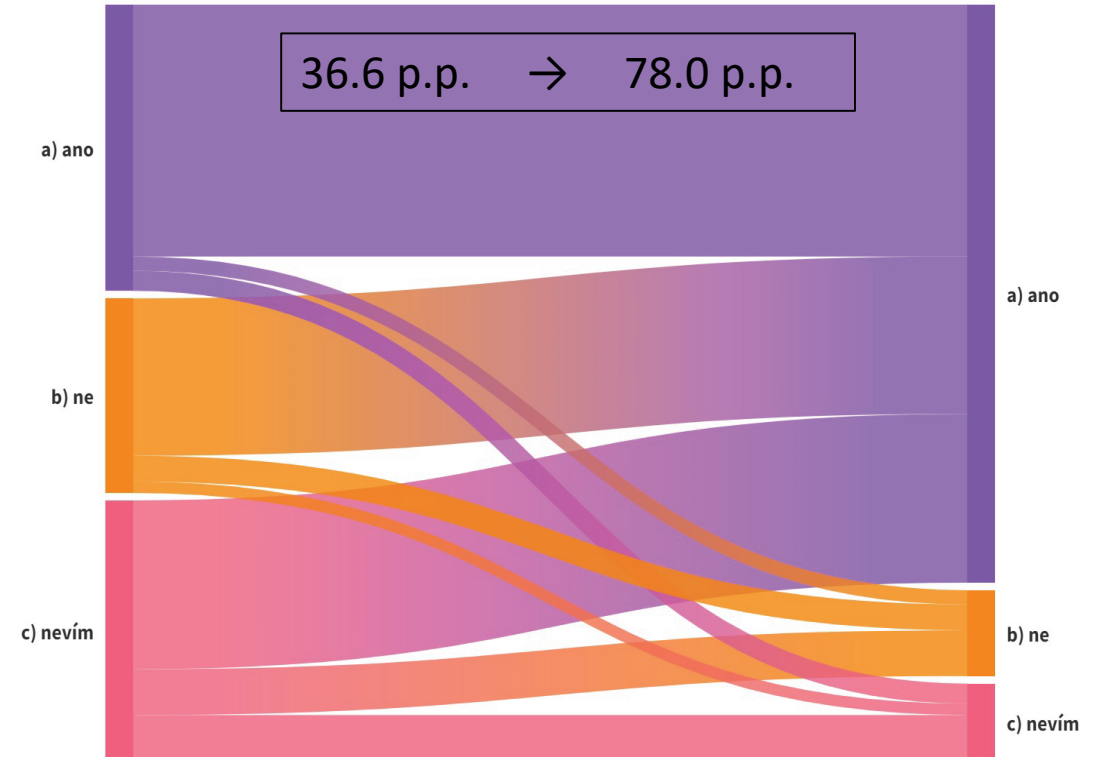
13. Koupili byste si čerstvou zeleninu od HIV pozitivního prodejce?

"Would you buy fresh vegetables from an HIV-positive seller?"



14. Myslíte si, že děti, které jsou HIV pozitivní, by měly mít možnost chodit do školy společně s dětmi, které jsou HIV negativní?

"Do you think that children who are HIV positive should be able to go to school together with children who are HIV negative?"





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