APPENDIX C. RAPID HIV TEST CLIENT SURVEY

DIRECTIONS: Please let us know how you felt about your testing and counselling experience. Check the boxes and/or write in the space provided. Your responses are anonymous and will not be linked to you.

SECTION 1 - HIV testing information:

1) Is this your first HIV test?
   □ yes  
   □ no

2) If you’ve been tested for HIV before, where did you test? (check all that apply)
   □ my doctor’s office
   □ a health clinic
   □ prison
   □ other (where?)_______________________

3) In the past, did you choose the standard HIV test (blood draw from arm) or did you choose the rapid/"point of care" HIV test (finger prick)?
   □ standard
   □ rapid/point of care

4) Do you know that the test today is being done by the Halton Region Public Health Department and NOT the prison staff?
   □ yes  □ no

5) Why did you want an HIV test? (check all that apply)
   □ I have health concerns
   □ I had sex without a condom
   □ I had sex with someone who is HIV positive
   □ I have shared drug-use equipment
   □ I was sexually assaulted
   □ I have had many sex partners
   □ Other, please explain___________________________________

6) Why did you choose to be tested here? (check all that apply)
   □ I can get an HIV test
   □ I can get the HIV rapid/point of care (POC) test
   □ I can get anonymous HIV testing
   □ I can get STI testing (chlamydia, gonorrhea)
   □ I have time to think about the HIV test results here
   □ I can talk to someone about the results and get HIV services here
   □ It’s being done by Halton Region Public Health and not the prison
   □ Other, please explain _____________________________________

7) What is the most important reason for choosing to be tested here? (check one only)
   □ I can get an HIV test
   □ I can get the HIV rapid/point of care (POC) test
   □ I can get anonymous HIV testing
   □ I can get STI testing (chlamydia, gonorrhea)
   □ I have time to think about the results here
   □ I can talk to someone about the results and get HIV services here
   □ It’s being done by Halton Region Public Health and not the prison
8) How did you hear about HIV and STI testing being offered here?
   - I saw it in the pamphlet
   - Someone told me about it
   - A doctor/nurse told me about it
   - I saw a poster
   - Other, please explain _____________________________________

SECTION 2 - HIV Testing/Counselling Information:

9) What type of HIV test did you have today?
   - rapid (finger prick)
   - regular (blood draw from your arm)

10) HIV “anonymous” testing is when (check all that apply):
    - you give your real name to the nurse for an HIV test
    - you don’t give your real name to the nurse for an HIV test
    - the HIV test result will be shared with the prison healthcare staff
    - I’m not sure

11) Based on your understanding, an HIV “reactive” test result means (check all that apply):
    - I have HIV
    - I don’t have HIV
    - I might have HIV
    - I need more testing
    - I don’t need more testing
    - I’m not sure

12) Based on your understanding, an HIV test in the “window period” means (check all that apply):
    - I have HIV
    - I don’t have HIV
    - I might have HIV
    - I need more testing
    - I don’t need more testing
    - the test result might not be correct
    - I’m not sure

13) If you tested HIV “reactive” or in the HIV “window period” will you have another HIV test to confirm your results?
    - yes
    - no
SECTION 3 - HIV counselling information:

14) Do you think you got the information you need to know about how HIV is passed on?
   □ Yes, and I understood it
   □ Yes, but I didn’t understand it
   □ No, I didn’t get any information
   □ I’m not sure

15) Do you think you got the information you need to know about how to protect yourself and others from getting HIV?
   □ Yes, and I understood it
   □ Yes, but I didn’t understand it
   □ No
   □ I’m not sure

16) Were you satisfied with the testing and counselling experience?
   □ Yes, completely
   □ Yes, a little
   □ No, not fully
   □ No, not at all
   □ I’m not sure

17) In your opinion, how could we improve HIV testing and counselling in jails?
    Answer: ______________________________________________________________

SECTION 4 - Some information about you (please remember that this questionnaire is anonymous and none of your answers will be traced back to you):

18) Are you: □ male    □ female    □ trans

19) What is your age? ______

20) Where were you born: □ Canada    □ other    If other, which country? ______

21) If you were born outside Canada, how many years have you lived in Canada? _____

22) What is your ethno-cultural identity: ________________ (e.g., Jamaican, Aboriginal, Chinese, Irish, Canadian)

23) Are you here on remand or sentenced? □ remand    □ sentenced

24) Is this your first incarceration? □ yes    □ no

25) Who do you have sex with:
   □ men
   □ women
   □ both