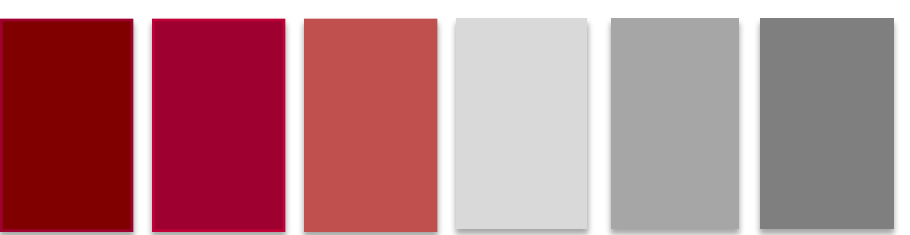


Comparing cohorts: Demographic differences by pediatric HIV care engagement among young women living with HIV

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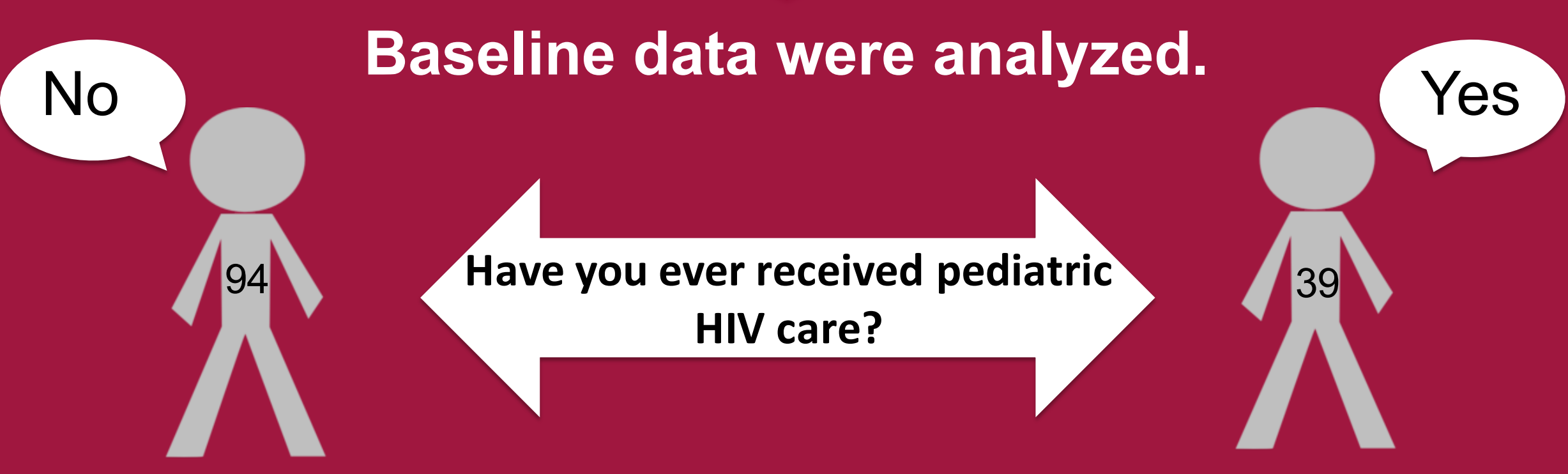
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Young adults living with HIV since childhood may differ from their HIV-positive peers who acquired HIV later in life both demographically and in terms of care/support needs.

We assessed demographic differences between young women living with HIV in the Canadian HIV Women's Sexual and Reproductive Health Cohort Study (CHIWOS) who had previously engaged in pediatric HIV care (surrogate for living with HIV since childhood) to those who had not.

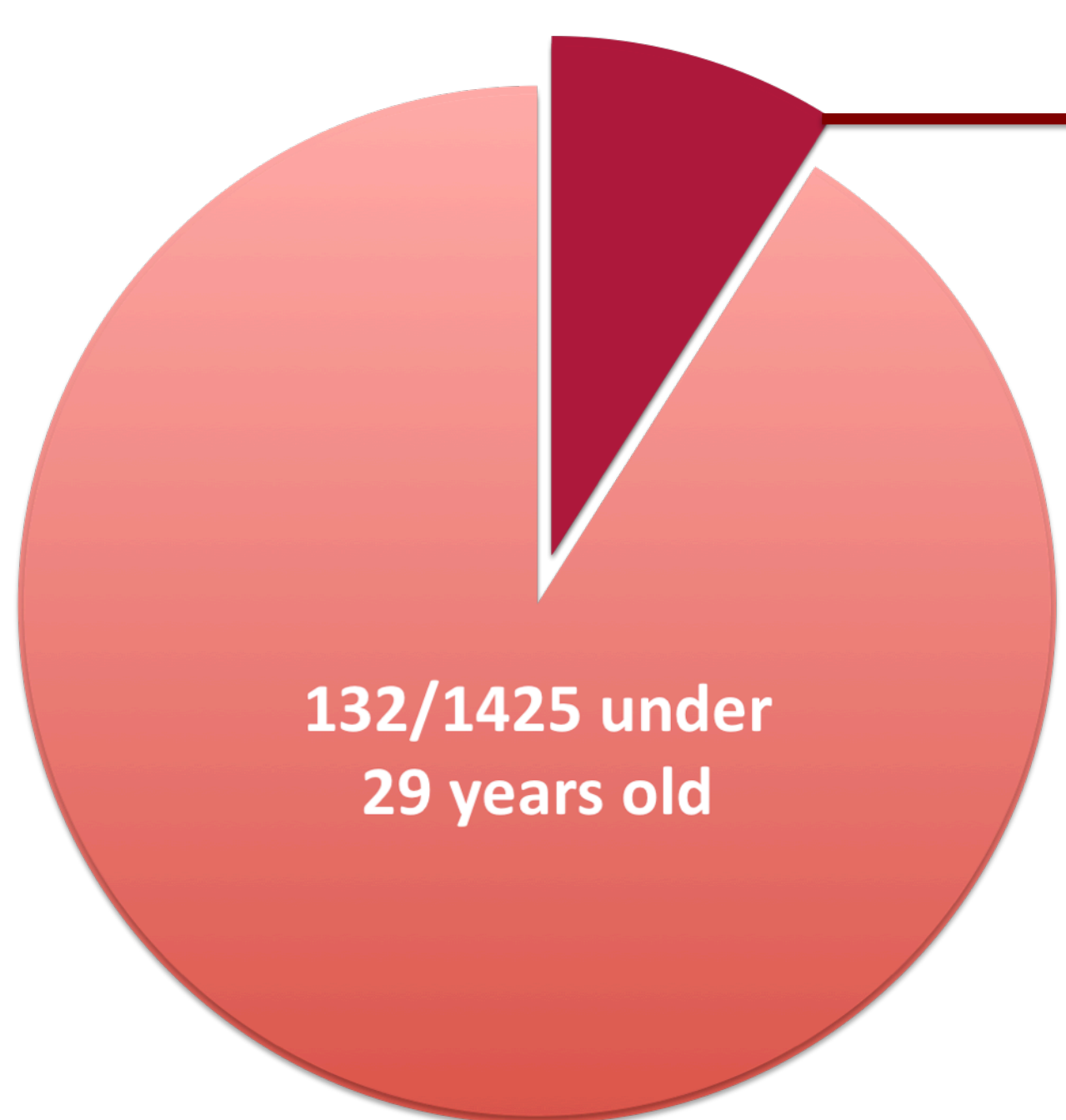
The aim of this analysis was to confirm if the two groups did in fact differ demographically to better inform research, care, and support for both groups.



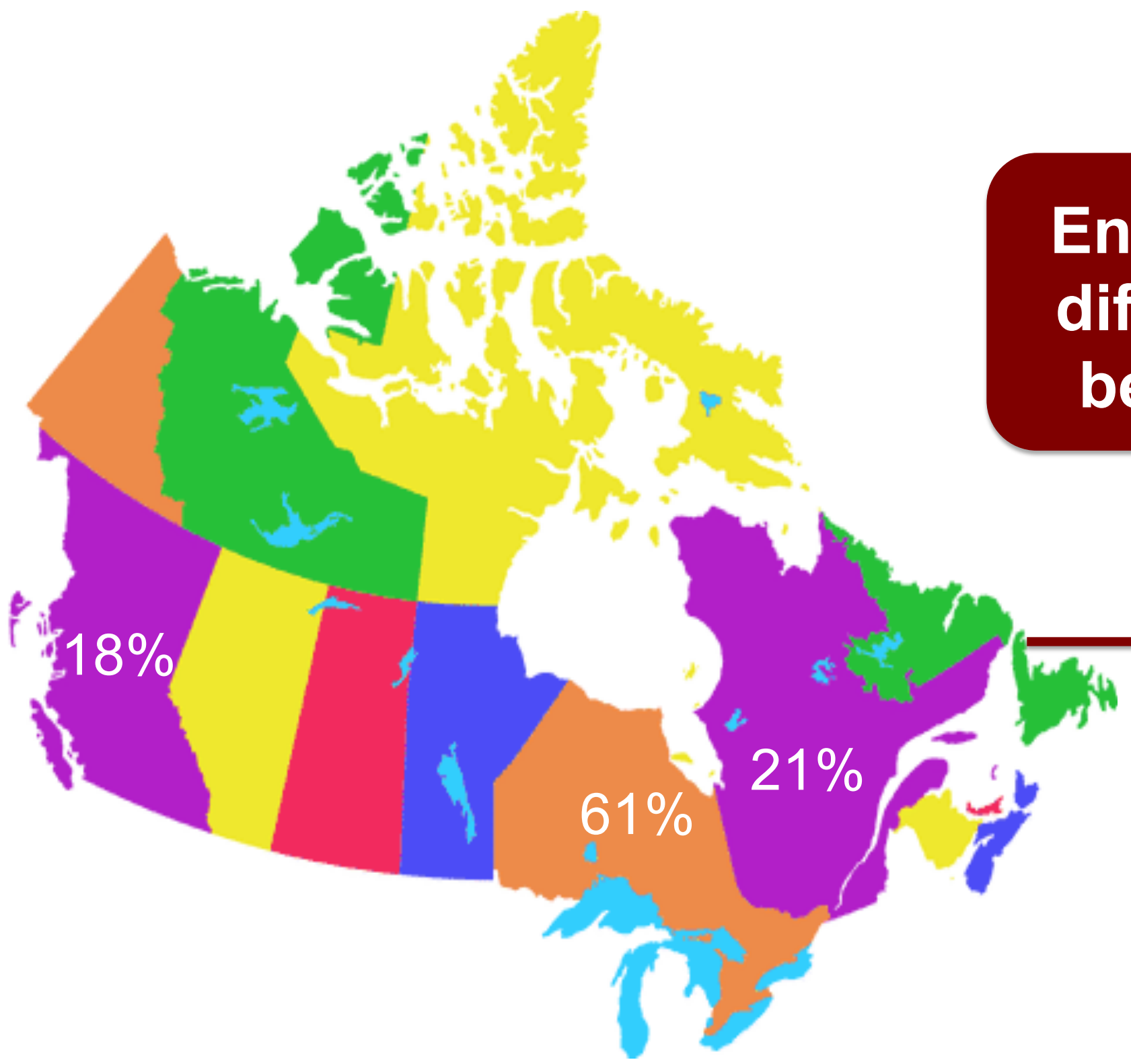
Bivariate analyses used to compare demographic variables between young women (age = 18 to 29) who reported previous pediatric care with those who did not.

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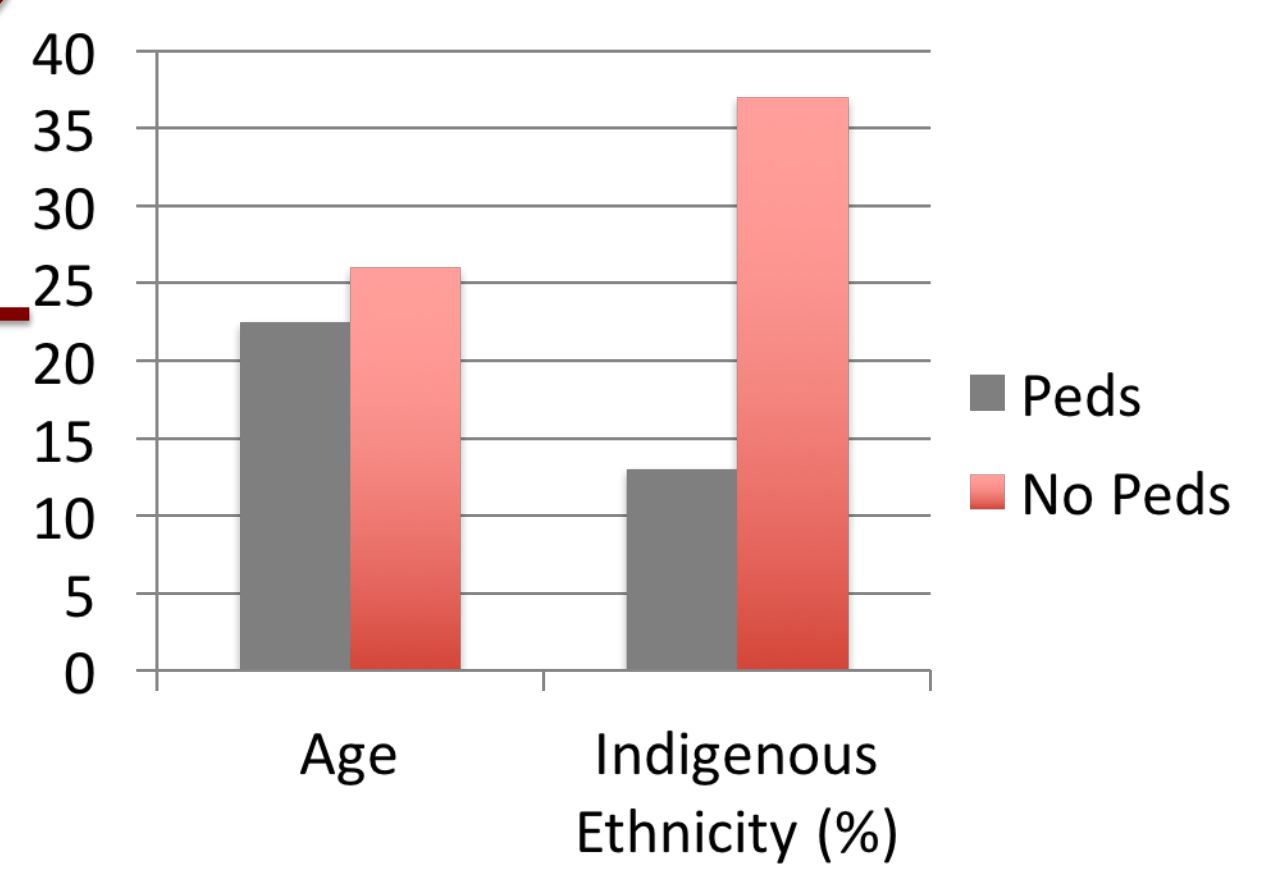
- All of the women living with HIV who participate in CHIWOS;
- The national team of Peer Research Associates, Co-investigators, and Collaborators;
- The national Steering Committee, provincial Community Advisory Boards, Group and Topic Specific Advisory Boards;
- The partnering organizations (75+) who support study recruitment and operations;
- *We honour and remember the 29 CHIWOS participants from across Canada who have passed away and are no longer with us.*



39 reported previous pediatric care



Enrolment did not differ by province between groups



Significant Differences = women who did not receive peds care were significantly older and more likely to report Indigenous ancestry

No statistically significant differences were found between groups based on gender, sexual orientation, marital status, and education.

Differences do exist between the two cohorts of young women living with HIV in CHIWOS. These include age and ethnicity. Understanding how these differences influence the lived experience of care and support may be imperative to optimize services across Canada to better meet the needs of all young women living with HIV.

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