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Oral sex the main cause of STD, says specialist

ORAL sex is the cause of most incidents of sexually transmitted diseases (STD) in the country.

China Press quoted specialist Datuk Dr Low Bin Tick as saying that many people believed they would not contract STD when indulging in this activity.

STD that could be transmitted via oral sex and kissing included AIDS, especially when there are wounds on the genitals, Dr Low said, adding that STD like cervicitis could lead to cervical cancer.

He said the number of people suffering from STD in the country was not known as

the Government had never conducted research on it.

The report also quoted him as saying that there were fewer than 10 STD specialists in the country as the course was not promoted locally.

> *Sin Chew Daily* reported that two Vietnamese sisters from Ho Chih Minh City had married Singaporean men to enable them to fund the education of their brother back home.

The sisters, aged 20 and 22, were working as labourers in sewing factories, and their earnings were not enough to support their

14-year-old brother's education. Their parents are farmers.

They decided to look for husbands in the island republic after their friends who married locals told them that Singaporean men were more loving and would not beat their wives.

Sin Chew also reported that Singapore police were in the process of buying gambling tables and Roulette tables to enable them to learn to detect cheats.

A police spokesman was reported as saying that the training would cover Blackjack, Caribbean Stud and Texas Hold'em.