Kenya

HIV Clinical Services

With adult (15-49 years) HIV prevalence estimated at about 4.9% in 2017 and approximately 1.5 million people living with HIV\(^1\), Kenya has made good progress in addressing the epidemic through focused interventions. However, to sustain the progression of the national response, there is a need for interventions that can effectively address the varied nature of the epidemic across different counties while remaining focused on meeting national targets.

To respond to this, USAID Kenya and East Africa awarded three HIV clinical service projects in high HIV burden counties across Kenya: Afya Nyota ya Bonde, Afya Ziwani, and Afya Kamilisha. These projects are funded by the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and aim to increase access and coverage of HIV prevention, care and treatment services toward epidemic control. These projects build on the work of PEPFAR’s AIDS, Population and HIV Integrated Assistance projects (APHIAplus), which played a critical role in shaping the HIV response in Kenya.

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\(^1\) Kenya National AIDS Control Council (NACC), HIV Estimates 2018
OUR WORK

The three projects cover 21 counties with varying levels of HIV prevalence. Designed to “go where the epidemic is”, the projects aim to re-position the community as the locus of HIV service delivery and the setting in which sustainable control of the HIV epidemic will be realized. At the same time, the project works to optimize HIV services provided at health facilities providing antiretroviral therapy (ART). This includes supporting efforts to improve quality and integrate HIV testing and ART into in-patient, out-patient and other departments.

The three HIV clinical service projects have the following objectives:

1. Increase awareness on HIV prevention for priority populations (fisherfolk, adolescent girls and young women).
2. Increase the uptake of targeted HIV testing services at health facilities and in the community
3. Improve linkage to treatment for HIV-positive individuals
4. Increase the uptake of and adherence to quality HIV treatment services
5. Conduct Long-term follow up of patients on care and treatment services
6. Strengthen support for facility and county management of the HIV response.

ACHIEVEMENTS

As of September 2018:

- Tested 2.3 million Kenyans for HIV
- Supported 164,420 HIV positive Kenyans on treatment
- Supported 185,559 pregnant women with prevention of mother-to-child transmission services
- Implemented differentiated care models in facilities to provide personalized care to improve adherence and treatment outcomes
- Supported installation and functionality of electronic medical records
- Enhanced the capacity of counties to advocate for increased domestic funding allocations for HIV through training and mentorship on program-based budgeting to sustain programmatic gains.

BUDGET
Total combined budget: $197,925,433

DURATION
2017–2022

ACTIVITY LOCATIONS
Afya Nyota ya Bonde: Baringo, Kajiado, Laikipia, Narok, Nakuru, Samburu and Turkana
Afya Ziwani: Homa Bay, Kisii, Kisumu, Migori, Nyamira
Afya Kamilisha: Embu, Kiambu, Kirinyaga, Kitui, Meru, Murang’a, Nyandarua, Nyeri, Tharaka Nithi

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