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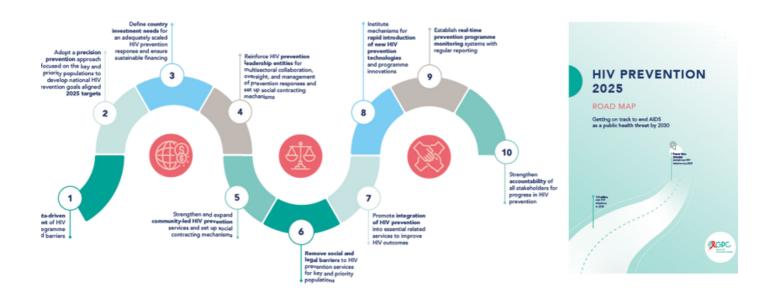
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Dear Colleagues,

The <u>Global Prevention Coalition (GPC)</u> has had an eventful and productive year. To that end, we would like to update you on recent developments, progress, and upcoming activities in our work.

Exciting engagements and meetings across partners, countries and agencies have taken place to jointly accelerate prevention programming.

Launch of the 2025 Global Prevention Roadmap



The 2025 HIV Prevention Roadmap was launched in July at AIDS 2022, Montreal, Canada. The satellite session was the first in a series of planned events to disseminate the HIV Prevention 2025 Road Map and prepare for implementation. The event defined critical actions for the next phase of national HIV prevention responses and fostered discussions about collective accountability for making tangible progress. The ambitious target of 370 000 new infections by 2025 requires accelerating HIV prevention responses and addressing four major barriers: limited political leadership in HIV prevention, policy and structural obstacles to HIV prevention services, limited HIV prevention financing and limited implementation at scale. You may view the full satellite session here.

Workshop on capacity strengthening and target setting for Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) in Lusaka, Zambia.

22 August to 2 September 2022



Wilford Kirungi, a workshop participant from the Uganda Ministry of Health, engages in discussion

100 delegates from 15 GPC countries[1] participated in two regional capacity building workshops on the Prep Implementation planning, monitoring, and evaluation Tool (Prep-it) convened by UNAIDS, in partnership with MOSAIC[2]. Each country delegation planned for a Prep target-setting exercise using the Prep-It web-based software application for forecasting Prep utilization, cost, outcomes, and impact. Prevention Self-Assessment Tools (PSATs) for estimating the size of key populations at substantial risk of acquiring HIV for Prep target setting and population size estimates for Adolescent Girls and Young Women (AGYW) in different behaviour risk categories as well as updated WHO Guidelines on long-acting injectable cabotegravir for HIV prevention, were also reviewed.

Global and Regional stakeholders meeting on Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (VMMC)

The GPC with support from the Gates Foundation convened a two- and half-day meeting from 12-14 September 2022 in Kigali, Rwanda to facilitate an open dialogue and stock taking on implementation of VMMC programs. Participants included program managers from Ministry of Health, and UN agencies, researchers, representatives of the WHO Technical Advisory Group (TAG), civil society organizations such as and other relevant community networks. Discussions included a progress review of VMMC programs, a new **VMMC** Framework, and sustainability in the context of broader HIV and a men's health agenda.



VMMC meeting participants VMMC managers from Ministries of Health, UN agencies, including UNAIDS and WHO, donor agencies including PEPFAR, Gates Foundation and civil society representatives such as AVAC.

^{1]} Botswana, eSwatini, Ethiopia, Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Nigeria, South Africa, South Sudan, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, and Zimbabwe.

^{2.} MOSAIC is a USAID funded project that stands for Maximizing Options to Advance Informed Choice for HIV Prevention

Condom Strategic Initiative Country actions

Between July and August 2022, UNAIDS and UNFPA coordinators conducted combined visits to Malawi, Zambia, Mozambique, and Uganda to fast-track activities under the Condom Programming Strategic Initiative. Through facilitated use of UNAIDS Prevention Program Self-Assessment Tools, the four countries have identified main areas of program stewardship, last mile distribution and demand generation that require strengthening, and have used consensus building processes to develop tailored technical assistance plans to address program gaps.

Other key advances have been institutionalization by the countries of a Condom Needs and Resource Requirement Estimation Tool and development of innovative last mile distribution for condoms to reach communities where they are needed.



UNAIDS and UNFPA mission at the National AIDS Commission in Uganda

Consolidated guidelines on HIV, viral hepatitis and STI prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care for key populations

The GPC and South to South Learning Network (SSLN) hosted the fifth Key Population Community of Practice webinar, on 12 September 2022; focused on the Consolidated guidelines on HIV, viral hepatitis and STI prevention, diagnosis, treatment and care for key populations launched in July 2022.

The guidelines urge key stakeholders and partners across countries to prioritize increasing the reach of key populations and support the key population communities to lead the response and provide equitable, accessible, and acceptable service.

Participants in the webinar were from over 44 countries and 99 organizations, you can watch session one <a href="https://example.com/here.

Meeting of National AIDS Council Directors (NAC) and Ministry of Health (MoH) HIV Prevention leads.

10-12 October 2022, Johannesburg, South Africa

This two- and half-day served to discuss the operationalization of the 2025 HIV Prevention Roadmap. Delegates from over 26 GPC countries participated, and because of the hybrid format, approximately 280 participants attended: including national program HIV prevention teams, civil society, program funders and UN agencies and implementing partners.

The NAC-MOH leads identified their country support needs, defined their country actions in line with the 10-point action plan in the 2025 HIV Prevention roadmap, shared their country experiences and elaborated national commitments towards achieving the 2025 HIV Prevention targets. A comprehensive meeting report will be shared shortly. You may access the UNAIDS press release here and media coverage: SABC News and The Telegraph.



Participants of the NAC Directors and MOH Prevention leads' meeting in Johannesburg, South Africa

Meeting of the Global HIV Prevention Coalition Working Group

Members of the Global Prevention Working Group (PWG) also met in Johannesburg, South Africa from 12-14 October 2022, to identify priorities in supporting countries to implement the 2025 HIV Prevention Road Map and align partners' support to countries. The PWG agreed on priorities for advancing the HIV prevention agenda globally, strengthening communications within the GPC, and plans for a high-level meeting in 2023 to foster a political commitment to HIV prevention. A report from the meeting will be shared shortly.



Participants of the Global Prevention Working Group meeting in Johannesburg, South Africa

The South-South Learning Network (SSLN) Workshop on Adolescent Girls and Young Women (AGYW)

17 to 19 October 2022, Bulawayo, Zimbabwe.

The GPC supported SSLN on HIV prevention convened a workshop of 15 focus countries of to reflect on the status of their HIV prevention programs for AGYW and develop action plans, technical assistance plans, and learning agendas to support optimal program delivery. Participants also learned about new tools and guidelines, program innovations and promising practices in AGYW programming. Discussions covered modalities of meaningful engagement of young people in AGYW programs, the role of donors and development partners, and strengthened accountability for progress



Participating AGYW SSLN Champions in group work

Look out for these GPC supported events in the coming months:

- Next meeting of the Global HIV Prevention working group. February 2023
- Meeting of Ministers of Heath from GPC member countries to foster political and policy commitment to the 2025 HIV Prevention Roadmap – March 2023 TBC
- Meeting of regional HIV Prevention Focal Points in the East and Southern Africa Region – 12-14 November 2022
- Second Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) target setting capacity strengthening workshop in West and Central Africa Region. Abidjan, Cote d'Ivoire, dates TBC

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Kind regards,

The Global HIV Prevention Secretariat

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