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Background
To reinstate a sense of urgency to hit the prevention targets set out in the HIV Prevention 2025 Road Map, the Prevention Working Group (GPWG) met in-person after three years. The urgency among leaders in our institutions, in our communities, and other sectors that need to be reached out to. With the launch of the 2025 Road Map, this was the ideal time to convene the working group to discuss and formulate a refined strategy for implementation. One of the key differences with the 2025 Road Map is the stronger focus on accountability. Prevention has failed in many countries, not because it is not possible, but because the working group has not met our commitments. As such, this meeting was convened for the group to refine and reaffirm our commitment to game-changing activities.

The Gates foundation funded this event.

Meeting objectives
The meeting focused on three objectives:
• Define modalities of working together as a group in advancing the prevention agenda, and in implementing the 2025 Road Map
• Identify transformative actions and define PWG activities in the next 12 months in relation to targets (priority pillars) and Roadmap Actions
• Re-think country support and configuration of the Coalition relative to action on the ground (based on conclusions from NAC/MOH meeting)
The GPC architecture was developed to ensure that the working group would be fit-for-purpose. The architecture included: the full Global HIV prevention Coalition core members, task teams that were set up through the working groups to work on the pillars, and other communities of practice. The team agreed to create a small group to give feedback to the larger group and the need to reassess the term Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE).

Programmatic Discussion Points

The meeting highlighted the following:

- Accountability is needed in all areas, including country leadership but also supporting organizations, the GPC secretariat, and the working group.
- Funding is limited and more is required with limited resources. Need to ensure funds are used efficiently by having strong plans, refined investment cases, collaboration across sectors, and sustainable resources.
- To have supportive policies and laws, countries should work with each other to share learnings and strategies to address barriers.
- Key to implementation as scale is ensuring steps are aligned with what is possible in countries. Support should be given to countries to adapt the road map to their realities and provide them with the capacity and data required to implement plans.
- The GPC needs to find a structure that is better aligned with meeting their commitments, and to reinstate support and accountability from all members and partner organizations.
Follow up actions for the GPC

Based on experiences, the working group members suggested the following to address strengthening of operations:

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<td>- Create spaces where political leaders can discuss difficult policy issues among peers.</td>
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<td>- Engage regional economic communities to keep HIV high on the agenda using peer-to-peer dynamics (rather than just a global push)</td>
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<td>- Emphasize the discourse about cost of inaction (1 million new infections per year more than target)</td>
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<td>- Empower in-country political and local leaders to speak about prevention and key populations (including other influencers, former leaders, first ladies)</td>
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**Actions for other players**
- Influence national leaders and lawmakers around legal change, harmful laws, gender policy.

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<td>- Advocate for abandoning bad laws, preventing the spread of bad laws and promote enabling laws.</td>
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<td>- Build on existing community organizations and systems and bring them into the conversation around community-led prevention programming.</td>
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<td><strong>Conduct a mapping of actions to address structural and policy barriers in the HIV response.</strong></td>
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**HIV prevention financing**

- Follow a dual strategy in terms of prevention financing communication.
  - Advocate for more resource in the space of HIV, health and development financing
  - Use existing resources as efficiently as possible in the space of budget planning and resource allocation.
- Address inefficiencies in the prevention implementation architecture (high overheads, duplication through project style approaches ...)
- Explore the implications of transitioning from an emergency to a sustainable prevention response.
- Advance national capacity development as a key feature for sustainability of prevention responses

- Support countries in developing investment cases for HIV prevention.
- Advocate in global and regional fora for increased prevention investment and well-prioritized prevention investments
- Consolidate and put prevention data in the right hands for prevention planning starting with population size estimation and coverage data as captured in the GPC scorecards.

**Actions for other players**

- Collaborate with other working groups /teams/agencies supporting HIV investment case.

- **UNAIDS, GF, USG by May 2023**
- **All PWG members (ongoing)**
- **GPC Secretariat, UNAIDS, partners (by April 2023)**
- **UNAIDS Economics Team, Global Fund Economics team**

**Implementation at scale**

- Focus on specific discussions regarding implementation at scale that the group can influence.
- Continued engagement with NAC/MOH managers on operationalizing the Road Map
- For next NAC/MOH managers meeting consider full day overlap of meetings

- **GPC Secretariat (ongoing with a first round of calls by Feb 2023)**
- **GPC Secretariat, NAC/MOH Forum (by end of 2023)**
| **Revitalize GPC Communications and advocacy** | **Develop an events calendar for activities on Prevention.**  
• Develop and disseminate GPC newsletters regularly | **GPC Secretariat** |
| **Key populations** |  |  |
| • Considering that key populations account for 70% of new infections, keep key population | • Develop clear priorities for the PWG regarding key populations and the most critical components to advance through financing of country programmes and arrange a special discussion on key populations’ prevention access  
• Advocate for strengthened key population data and population size estimates and invite relevant experts for a separate conversation  
• Have a dedicated session in the PWG on people in prison. | **KP networks, USG, GF, Frontline AIDS, GPC Secretariat (by May 2023)**  
• UNAIDS, GPC Secretariat, WHO, UNFPA (by May 2023)  
• UNAIDS, UNODC (in PWG meeting by end of 2023)  
• UNAIDS data team with GF and PEPFAR  
• UNAIDS communities’ team (and all partners in the PWG) |
| **Adolescent girls, young women – boys and men** | • Advance and disseminate the global plan of action for adolescent girls and young women on HIV prevention and sexual and reproductive health and rights.  
• Advance the exchange with Education+ on synergies, overlaps and alignment of messages (and invite the group)  
• Hold a dedicated session on boys and men in the PWG. | **DAWA, UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNICEF (by April 2023)**  
• UNAIDS, UNICEF (by May 2023)  
• UNAIDS, WHO (by end 2023)  
• Technical WGs (ongoing) |
| • Take up specific high-level programme development and alignment conversations on AGYW programming.  
• Develop a common understanding on the emerging agenda on men and boys. | **Actions for other players**  
• Continued work of specific technical working groups. |  |
## Condoms & ARV-based prevention

- Take up high-level issues arising from the workstreams on condoms (condom WG, Strategic Initiative) and ARV-based prevention (including the new group working on long-acting technologies)
- Elevate the conversation from specific products to a conversion on prevention choices and combination prevention demand generation

- Invite key members of the group working on long-acting prevention into the PWG for an update.
- Hold a conversation in the PWG on offering combination prevention choices together.

- GPC Secretariat, WHO, AVAC by May 2022
- GPC co-chairs by May 2022

## Alignment of GF, USG, UN

- Continue active dialogue on alignment of global strategies, planning processes and country support.

- Hold a follow up discussion on specific programme alignment elements in one of the next PWG meetings (and maintain regular agenda items involving PEPFAR and the Global Fund in the PWG)

**Actions for other players**

- Develop a community of practice on HIV prevention among UN staff

- GPC Secretariat, USG, GF (ongoing)

- GPC Secretariat, UNAIDS, UNFPA, WHO working with ROs (by May 2023)