**Community dialogue guide for adolescent girls and young women – 4th July 2017**

**Key themes to be explored**

* Knowledge
* Where to access oral PrEP –related information
* Service delivery platforms
* Where to access oral PrEP
* Potential barriers to use oral PrEP
* Potential facilitators to use oral PrEP
* Support needed to help retain young women on PrEP
* Who would be the likely service providers
* Disclosure

**Introduction**

Hi everyone, my name is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ and I am here with my colleague/s \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_. Today we are here to talk to you about oral PrEP. As you know Zimbabwe released guidance on oral PrEP in December 2016. The guidance says that oral PrEP will be given to all those who are at substantial risk of contracting HIV. In this case – substantial risk simply means/ refers to those people who feel they are at an increased risk or those who feel they could contract HIV due to their individual or partner’s sexual behaviours. The plan is to have oral PrEP delivered to those who need it starting January 2018. Currently, one is able to access oral PrEP from the PSI new start centres in Harare, Mutare, Chipinge, Gweru, Masvingo and Bulawayo. The aim of today’s consultation is to better understand from you as the potential PrEP end-users, what you feel must be done to ensure that when PrEP roll out happens, it happens in a way that meet the end-user needs. This information will be used to shape PrEP roll out, which will start sometime early 2018. The information will also help us identify the HCW’s training gaps, help design the PrEP training curriculum and also help us understand more about what needs to be done within communities before PrEP roll out starts, for uptake, adherence and retention to happen as expected.

**Ice breaker questions**

What does being healthy mean to you?

Why do we values our health so much?

Where do you see yourself in 5 years?

What would stop you from getting there?

Do you think your health matters at all in attaining your vision?

1. **Knowledge questions**

What do you know about oral PrEP?

Where did you get the information?

Do you think there are a lot of people who know about PrEP in this community?

Do a lot of people use PrEP?

What else would you like to know about oral PrEP?

1. **Access to PrEP information**

Where do you normally get health – related information?

How accessible is that information?

Where would you like to access PrEP – related information? Why?

Can you think of 3 places you would like to access PrEP – related information?

How accessible are these places?

What is the best way to disseminate information about PrEP?

In what form should this information be delivered? (written, oral, visual?) Why?

Who should be targeted with information on PrEP? Where?

1. **Preferred service delivery platforms and why**

Where do you normally get prevention /health/ reproductive health services?

If you were going to access PrEP, Where would you like to access it?

Can you think of 2 service delivery platforms you would like to access PrEP from? And why?

1. **Potential barriers to access PrEP**

What are the potential barriers to access PrEP?

What do you think can be done to minimise obstacles to PrEP access?

What factors can make it difficult for a person to access PrEP? Why?

How can these challenges be addressed?

1. **Potential facilitators to PrEP**

What are the potential facilitators to PrEP?

What do you feel would help with PrEP?

What do you think would help people start on, take and stay on PrEP?

What do you think can be done to make PrEP more acceptable as a prevention method?

What do you think needs to be done to raise awareness of the benefits of PrEP?

As a person engaging in sex, what strategies do you use to minimize your chances of contracting HIV.

1. **Support needed to start and stay on PrEP**

What do you think potential PrEP users would need to start PrEP?

What do you think potential PrEP users would need to take their PrEP medication?

What do you think potential PrEP users would need to stay on PrEP?

What do you think are the things that can help a person to choose PrEP?

What kind of support can enable a person to take their PrEP medication effectively?

What kind of support is needed to enable a person to adhere to their PrEP medication?

1. **Preferred service providers**

Now let’s discuss the type of provider that young women like you look for when accessing services like PrEP.

* What type of providers do young women prefer?
* Do young women prefer a woman or a man or does it not matter?
* What about the age of the provider?
1. **Disclosure**

Do you think it is important to disclose when you are taking PrEP?

If you were using PrEP, would you disclose to anyone?

Who would you disclose to? And why?

If you were married, would you disclose to your partner?

**GBV**

What are the risks of taking PrEP without disclosing to your partner?

In what ways would PrEP cause conflict within relationships

1. **Is there anything else related to PrEP you would like to discuss that we did not discuss / cover.**

Thank you so much for taking the time to come here and discuss this very important topic with us. We appreciate the time you have taken. If you feel you have more information for us, please contact our colleague xxx who is based here at xxxx