



PrEP-it costing modules

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Estimating costs: Two approaches

- PrEP-it (PrEP Implementation planning, monitoring, and evaluation Tool) is an Excel-based decision-making and analysis tool funded by USAID
- Users can choose between two different cost modules:
 - **Costs Lite** – simplified approach for users without a costing background or detailed cost data
 - **Detailed Costs** – for more comprehensive cost specification, including task shifting analysis
- Both modules utilize cost by visit type (initiation and continuation), which accounts for different continuation rates by different priority populations when calculating annual costs
- Default input values are provided, based on country-specific wage data and analysis of PrEP implementation costs from Eswatini, Kenya, Lesotho, South Africa, Zambia, and Zimbabwe



Costs Lite

(also stand-alone module)

INPUTS

- Specify priority populations (e.g. MSM, AGYW)
- Enter continuation rates for each population (% of initiations still taking PrEP after months 1, 3, 6, and 12)
- Visit schedule(s) if one were to stay on PrEP for an entire year
- Monthly ARV and adherence retention costs
- Costs by initiation and continuation visits (personnel, labs, other recurrent, capital)
- Lump sum annual above-site costs

OUTPUTS

- Annual unit cost for a person to stay on PrEP for an entire year
- Annual unit cost per person initiating, accounting for continuation
- Total costs associated with program targets (over time, by priority population)
- Total costs associated with service delivery
- Costs associated with impact (\$ per HIV infection averted)
- Users can examine how improvements in program efficiency can affect program costs and cost per HIV infection averted



Detailed Costs

Additional features for more complete and rigorous costing:

- Can specify different **service delivery strategies** for PrEP delivery where costs differ substantially – such as different types of facilities (public vs. private), different geographic areas (urban vs. rural) or any other aspect in which program delivery costs differ
- Allows for **task shifting analysis** – can adjust salaries and reallocate default minutes of staff time per visit by cadre
- More detailed **laboratory test** specification – allocating laboratory tests at different points in time on the visit schedule
- Can include **pre-initiation costs** associated with those who are screened for PrEP but do not initiate
- More disaggregated above-site costs (annual, lump sum)



Key lessons

- Limited data on PrEP costs and cost-effectiveness make planning and budgeting difficult at the country level
- Continuation rates and visit schedules are key features to properly estimating PrEP costs
- Many users will need assistance in estimating costs per visit, which is why default values are provided
- Economists and other costing experts want a detailed approach for costing and exploring task-shifting, while other users prefer simpler approach; thus the two different modules

HOW CAN THE OPTIONS PrEP COSTING GUIDELINES HELP ME?

PRACTITIONERS NEW TO COSTING

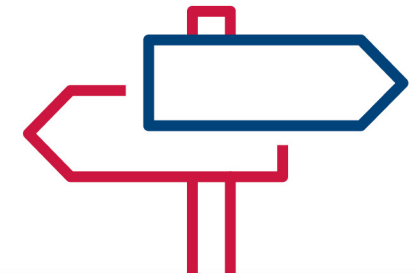
- An “Introduction to costing” section and glossary
- 17 Principles and associated methods presented in chronological order
- Appendices with information for newer costing practitioners (e.g., potential sources for the cost of specific inputs; instructions on adjusting costs for inflation)

COSTING EXPERTS NEW TO WORKING ON PrEP

- Details for each principle on how to adapt standardized costing methodology to the costing of PrEP interventions
- Appendices specific to PrEP costing (e.g., potential activities in a PrEP program, a PrEP-specific facility questionnaire)

COUNTRY-LEVEL PROGRAM MANAGERS REVIEWING A COST ESTIMATE

- Summary checklist in Principle 17 on transparency in reporting
- Alignment of the 17 Principles with global standards, available at: <http://bit.ly/ghcosting>



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