West Africa PrEP Learning Network Session #3

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Introduction to CHOICE

CHOICE is an 18-month collaboration funded by USAID in partnership with PEPFAR through two central mechanisms: Meeting Targets and Maintaining Epidemic Control (EpiC) and Reaching Impact, Saturation, and Epidemic Control (RISE).

The goal of this collaboration is to address technical gaps and support national scale-up of antiretroviral-based HIV prevention products in PEPFAR countries through catalytic evidence generation, translation and research utilization.

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West Africa Regional PrEP Learning Network

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Key topics for this webinar series

Oral PrEP Introduction Framework

**PLANNING & BUDGETING**
National and subnational plans include oral PrEP and guidelines are established to support access to PrEP via priority delivery channels.

**SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT**
Oral PrEP is regularly available in sufficient quantity to meet projected demand via priority delivery channels.

**RING DELIVERY PLATFORMS**
Oral PrEP is delivered by trained healthcare workers across diverse delivery channels that effectively reach target end users.

**UPTAKE & EFFECTIVE USE**
End users are aware of oral PrEP and have the support, motivation, and ability to seek out, initiate, and effectively use PrEP during periods of HIV risk.

**MONITORING**
Oral PrEP is effectively integrated into national, subnational, program, and facility monitoring systems and ongoing research supports learning.
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Panelists

• Robyn Eakle, USAID
• Neeraja Bhavaraju, Afton Bloom
• Definate Nhamo, Pangaea Zimbabwe AIDS Trust, Zimbabwe
• Patriciah Jeckonia, LVCT Health, Kenya
• Tiffany Lillie, FHI 360, Ghana
POLL

Does your country have a PrEP implementation plan in-place?
Introduction
PrEP Implementation Plans
Why are PrEP Implementation Plans needed?

• Fill in gaps/information not covered in clinical guidelines

• Create a document to map out site launching and expansion schedules, training, resources/commodities, responsibility and accountability

• Ensure all aspects of PrEP service delivery are planned and accounted for
A PrEP Implementation Planning Tool

- Supports plans for scale-up and acceleration moving from smaller, phased approaches to wider implementation (in COP20)
- Provides a template that takes into consideration each component of PrEP implementation
- Can be adapted to meet partner/country needs and context

PrEP Implementation Scale-up and Acceleration Plan
Country X
April 2020

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Plan 4 PrEP Toolkit
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• The Plan 4 PrEP Toolkit is a set of six tools to support planning for PrEP introduction and scale-up

• It was developed in partnership with stakeholders in Kenya, Zimbabwe and South Africa based on their needs and experiences with oral PrEP

• The Toolkit can support implementation plan development in other countries – it is available on PrEPWatch in English, and will soon be available in French
# Plan 4 PrEP Toolkit Tools

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<td>Understand current context for oral PrEP  - Identify existing assets, gaps, challenges, and key questions for PrEP rollout  - Develop a landscape of key stakeholders and ongoing efforts</td>
<td>Assess findings &amp; gaps in projects  - Survey current and planned studies and implementation projects  - Identify key questions to inform implementation and assess gaps</td>
<td>Inform where and how to rollout PrEP  - Define rollout scenarios that differ by regions or population groups  - Highlight considerations and trade-offs between different scenarios</td>
<td>Assess district readiness for oral PrEP  - Assess district/county readiness to introduce and scale oral PrEP  - Support sub-national planning for oral PrEP roll out and scale-up</td>
<td>Assess facility readiness for oral PrEP  - Assess the readiness of healthcare facilities to deliver oral PrEP  - Identify areas that require additional investment</td>
<td>Identify opportunities for oral PrEP in the private sector  - Understand if private sector channels could expand PrEP access  - Compare across channels for ability to effectively deliver PrEP</td>
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Tool #1: Situation Analysis

- **PLANNING & BUDGETING**
  - What are the incremental benefits and costs of PrEP for target populations?
  - When will Truvada, or alternatives, be approved for prevention?
  - What is the total forecasted need for PrEP, and how will effective forecasts be developed given data limitations?
  - How will the supply chain be managed to avoid stock-outs or perceived competition with treatment?

- **SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT**
  - Which delivery channels will be used to deliver PrEP to key populations, in what sequence?
  - How can non-public facilities (e.g., NGO, private) be leveraged for PrEP?
  - How and when will health care worker engagement for PrEP be delivered? What are expected opportunities or challenges?

- **PREP DELIVERY PLATFORMS**
  - To what extent, how, and with what funding will the challenges of stigma, access, and demand generation be addressed? Who will address these?
  - Who will coordinate the communications campaign for PrEP and when? What are the most effective messages to reach populations at risk, including those in cities, commercial farming, mining, borders, etc.?
  - What investment and/or capacity-building needs to be done to mitigate strain on the system from ongoing testing (HIV and creatinine levels) of PrEP users?

- **INDIVIDUAL UPTAKE**
  - Will users adhere to effective use of PrEP? How can adherence/effective use be encouraged and supported?
  - How will services be linked across facilities when not available on-site?
Tool #2: Rollout Scenarios

- Based on the population, # of counties, and # of new infections that would be “covered” in each scenario, we compared scenarios across potential impact and cost.
- This is something that actual modeling would be able to do in more detail and with more potential accuracy, but this approach can provide directional estimates.

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<td>4 counties (7M 15+ population)</td>
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<td>MODERATE IMPACT</td>
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<td>Covers ~60% adult new infections</td>
<td>7 counties (7M 15+ population)</td>
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<td>HIGHER IMPACT</td>
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<td>Covers ~90% adult new infections</td>
<td>19 counties (16M 15+ population)</td>
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<td>LOWER IMPACT</td>
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<td>Covers ~30% adult new infections</td>
<td>12 counties</td>
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<td>LOWER IMPACT</td>
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<td>Covers ~20% adult new infections</td>
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Providing PrEP beyond key populations will require larger-scale rollout, however, it is necessary to address the majority of new infections.

Scenarios 1 and 2 offer the best balance of impact and cost.
Any questions on these topics?
Panel Discussion
Key topics in implementation planning

What is included in PrEP implementation plans?

How are PrEP implementation plans developed?

What have we learned about PrEP implementation planning?
What is included in PrEP implementation plans?

KENYA
- Background on the PrEP implementation journey in Kenya
- Situation Analysis findings
- Overview of five different approaches for PrEP scale-up based on the county incidence clusters (Rollout Scenarios)
- Objectives (availability, acceptability, accessibility, integration and impact)
- Seven implementation areas: Leadership and Governance; Service Delivery; Commodity Security; Communications, Advocacy and Community Engagement; Monitoring and Evaluation; Research and Impact Evaluation; Financing and Resource Mobilization

ZIMBABWE
- Focused on six main objectives
  - Building capacity of providers,
  - Management and coordination,
  - Access
  - Demand creation
  - Supply chain
  - M&E
- Phased approach starting at central level, down to local clinics

GHANA
- HIV Basics
- Oral PrEP for HIV Prevention (i.e. Demand Creation, Eligibility, Lab Support, Dosage, Where offered/, Schedule, Adherence counseling)
- PrEP Demand and Delivery System (i.e. community engagement, service delivery, capacity building, supply chain)
- Pharmacovigilance, Supply Chain, Monitoring and Evaluation
- Appendices (Training & certification, National HIV testing algorithm, Screening tool, SOPs)
How are PrEP implementation plans developed?

**KENYA**
- Process spearheaded by the PrEP Technical Working Group led by NASCOP
- TWG organized in 5 subcommittees to develop content for each section (Service Delivery; Commodity Security; Communications, Advocacy and Community Engagement; Monitoring and Evaluation; Research and Costing)
- A smaller team was formed to collate, review and finalise the content of the framework

**ZIMBABWE**
- Developed with TWG oversight
- Taskforce developed for each strategic objective: communications, demand creation, M&E, costing
- Consultative process with policy makers, implementers, programmers, researchers and end-users.
- Informed by an evidence base (KAP survey, community dialogues, research)

**GHANA**
- National level PrEP & HIVST Implementation Committee formed with WHO, UNAIDS, PLHIV Group, NACP, GAC, USAID, and PEPFAR Implementing Partners chaired by NACP and co-chaired by GAC
- Switched from in-person to virtual due to COVID-19; conducted virtual stakeholder consultations
- Shared draft of ABC PrEP Implementation Guide for review/revision, several iterations
- Lessons learned from inform more comprehensive National PrEP Implementation Framework
What have we learned about PrEP implementation planning?

KENYA

- Reference research and evidence and international guidance
- Involve key stakeholders
- Plan according to the varying contexts that exist in a country (particularly important in devolved setting)
- A phased approach helps for learning improvement
- Capacity building of healthcare providers and demand creation for PrEP among target populations are key considerations
- Funding available has a direct impact on implementation

ZIMBABWE

- Essential to be a consultative process and to map out all key stakeholders
- Work with committed and engaged people who understand the value addition brought by implementation plan
- Have focal persons that are available and not too busy
- Set timelines for the process
- Make sure to have buy-in from decision makers
- Costing should not be done at the end

GHANA

- Political will at all levels was paramount for success
- Stakeholders were ready to start implementing PrEP; therefore, the jump start implementation could start before the national framework
- Experienced TA provider was able to effectively lead the process virtually
- Review of the plan took time—even received additional comments last week
- Commodity availability and commitment was a challenge
- Costs for lab tests currently not covered by NACP
CHAT
Any remaining questions on PrEP implementation plans?
Wrap-up
Upcoming sessions: Register today!

Up next:
PrEP Delivery Models

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Upcoming Sessions

- November 18: PrEP Demand Creation
- December: PrEP Costing & Target Setting
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• Registration for upcoming webinars can also be found on PrEPWatch

POLL

What is your preferred date for the December session?
Thank you!