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NACC Director, Dr.N.Kilonzo and UNAIDS Country Director, Dr. Jantine join participants at WLHIV Dialogue Forum

WLHIV Dialogue Forum

In line with the principles of the Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria's New Funding Model (NFM), the Joint TB/HIV Concept Note Secretariat works with partners to make sure all stakeholders are engaged in the GFATM processes.

The engagement of CSOs, including networks of WLHIV is crucial for the Concept Note development. During the reporting period, the Joint UN programme on AIDS (UNAIDS) and UNWomen supported the leaders of WLHIV from 8 counties in a consultative forum which saw the WLHIV leaders get updates on the progress made in the development of the Kenya AIDS Strategic Framework (KASF) and the Kenya TBHIV Concept Note. WLHIV had the chance to review the progress and also to develop their position and issues that need to be included in the KASF and Concept Note. Among the priorities agreed upon by WLHIV leaders are:

- **CSS:** Institutional strengthening of WLHIV networks
- **eMTCT:** accelerated roll-out of Option B+ for girls and women living with HIV who desire birth

- Support to community based groups including support groups of WLHIV to carry out treatment literacy ,peer education and counseling.
- **Human Rights:** gender based violence, stigma reduction, womens property ownership and inheritance rights.
- Repeal of offensive laws and policies, including offensive sections of the HIV and AIDS Prevention and Control Act (HAPCA).
- Information and education on HIV new prevention technologies including PEP, PrEP, microbicides and women controlled HIV prevention devices such as female condoms.
- Sexual reproductive health and rights for girls and women living with HIV.
- Support to OVCs and people with disability.

Note:

The International Community of Women Living with HIV (ICW – Global) is also based in Nairobi since July 2014

Kenya AIDS Strategic Framework Outcomes

- Reduced adult new infections by 75% and from mother to child by 95%.
- Increased ART coverage to 90% in Paediatric, 90% in Adults and 90% in Adolescents to achieve 25% reduction in AIDS related mortality.
- Reduced stigma and discrimination by 50% through improved human rights protection and access to justice.
- Domestic ownership of the national response by establishing sustainable financing mechanism for HIV and AIDS.
- Unified national Monitoring and Evaluation framework under National AIDS Control Council

KASF Strategic Objectives

- **Strategic Objective 1** is focused on primary strategies to prevent sexual and vertical transmission of HIV and STIs, using a combination of prevention approaches.
- **Strategic Objective 2** is focused on achieving significant reduction in deaths and disability resulting from HIV infection.
- **Strategic Objective 3** is focused on expanding and enforcing rights for PLHIV and those at elevated risk of contracting or spreading HIV
- **Strategic Objective 4** is focused on strengthening the capacity of community systems to expand and provide access to services for key populations
- **Strategic Objective 5** is focused on the role that good governance and effective leadership plays in ensuring shared vision for the multi-sectoral HIV

AIDS response

- **Strategic Objective 6** is focused on costing KASF programmatic and governance activities whilst making a case for sustainable financing.
- **Strategic Objective 7** is focused on unifying the national research agenda in pursuit of enabling the research community to address key KASF intervention questions.

Kenya AIDS Strategic Framework is the Kenyan 4th National HIV Strategic Plan and will cover the period 2014/15 – 2018/19

Matters Arising at the 2nd CSOs Feedback Meeting



Meaningful engagement of CSOs, including WLHIV, TB affected persons and Key Populations representatives, is critical in the GFATM national processes, especially on disease re-programming and Joint TB/HIV Concept Note writing. This means that CSOs representatives are in the drivers seat in determining the criteria and ensuring that they follow a transparent election process, that is well documented. They should also solicit input from their constituencies before meetings, dialogues or forums. Similarly, such representatives should have mechanisms to share feedback with the people they represent, which should be done in writing.

CSOs remain as a critical partner in the fight against AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria in Kenya.

The Kenya Joint TB/HIV Joint Concept Note Newsletter is published and disseminated among partners and stakeholders with the purpose of sharing the progress made and soliciting feedback on the Kenya application to the GFATM. Further information and details on the items shared here can be gotten from the Joint Concept Note Secretariat on

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