

Global Fund's role as a strategic and responsible investor in AIDS

*Importance of improving the care and role
of PLHIV*

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QUALITY OF CARE NEEDS (1)

- Integrated TB/HIV facilities (ONE STOP SHOP)
= avoid drop outs + ensure care success
- Prevention – reduce re-infection
- Adherence – keep people longer on 1st line regimen
- Treatment – less toxic, reduce pill burden, OI's,
- Reduce stock outs, Supply chain in country
- Nutrition – No food = no adherence

QUALITY OF CARE NEEDS (2)

- Care and support – home based care = decongest hospitals
- HSS – functional labs-available tests
- Access to information = reduce stigma and increase uptake of any service
- PMTCT

GF investing in PMTCT to yield results

A Comprehensive approach is needed to make PMTCT+ work:

- a) Preventing unintended pregnancies by providing family planning services to women with HIV through their treatment sites.
- b) Avail PMTCT information in the communities not only health care centres
- c) Holistic PMTCT = drugs+support+nutrition+gender services
- d) Holistic approach is indispensable so that mothers seek PMTCT
- e) Pay upfront the cost of infant feeding formula and water purifying tablets to prevent transmission through breast feeding
- f) Lives saved!

CSS: Our roles as PLHIV

- Task shifting
- When we to speak out, our positions as role models and change agents strengthens prevention work
- Monitoring and advocating for more effective responses from governments.
- We track resources allocated for HIV, TB and malaria in country, stock outs, problems with PSC

Advocacy saves lives



Recommendations

- Technical assistance that will help shape models of care that address these quality of care gaps abt coordination with other national and international investments.
- Ensuring proposals and existing grants invest in CSS to support the critical role of PLHIV in ensuring quality of care
- Assist countries to improve procurement and supply chain management to avoid losses of drugs (expiry, stockouts)



We do not want PLHIV to pay the ultimate price (our life) for dysfunctional health systems

Neither do we want to be mere recipients of care, but would want to continue to be part of the process in the fight against the diseases.