Gaps in the HIV Response for Children & Adolescents Affected by AIDS

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An Unfinished Agenda: HIV/AIDS among Children & Adolescents

Trends & projections in the estimated number of new HIV infections among children (aged 0-9) and adolescents (aged 10-19), globally, 2000-2030

- **Paediatric HIV infections**
- **Paediatric projection**
- **Adolescent HIV infections**
- **Adolescent projection**

Note: Projections from 2015-2030 have been derived by applying the annual rate of reduction (%) between 2009-2014.
Adolescent AIDS-deaths are Increasing
Estimated number of AIDS-related deaths, by age, globally, 2001-2014

Adolescent deaths have tripled since 2000**

** Increase in adolescent deaths is because the majority have progressed from mother-to-child infections
Critical Gaps to End AIDS for Children (0-19)

**FIRST DECADE**
- EMTCT and paediatric HIV

**SECOND DECADE**
- Adolescent prevention, treatment and care

**ACROSS DECADES**
- HIV-sensitive social protection and risk-informed HIV programming
CHILDREN (0-9) & MOTHERS: Gaps

Retaining pregnant & breastfeeding women and girls

3 in 5 pregnant and breastfeeding women living with HIV received ART in 2014, but retention in care remains poor.

Paediatric treatment

Of the 2.6M children under 15 living with HIV, 1 in 3 are on treatment.

All children living with HIV should be on treatment, or 50% will die before 2; and 80% before 5.
ADOLESCENTS (10-19): Gaps

Retention
AIDS is the #1 cause of adolescent deaths in Africa.
And the #2 cause of adolescent deaths globally.
Majority of these deaths are among adolescents who vertically acquired HIV as babies. They either did not know their HIV status or have slipped out of care.

Testing and Linkage to Treatment & Care
Every hour 26 new infections happen among adolescents.

11% of adolescents (15-19) are tested for HIV in sub-Saharan Africa.

HIV Prevention
70% of boys & girls 15-19 years in sub-Saharan Africa do not have comprehensive HIV knowledge.
HIV is a global issue when it comes to prevention among adolescents.
ACROSS DECADES: Gaps

HIV-Sensitive Social Protection, Care and Support

Support is required to maintain treatment of 1.7 million+ children (0-14) and pregnant women living with HIV.

Risk-Informed HIV Programming

In 2013, over a quarter million children and pregnant women living with HIV were affected by emergencies.

- Drought
- Flood
- Conflict
Thank you

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS

FAST-TRACK
ENDING THE AIDS EPIDEMIC BY 2030

LOCATE & LINK
Find at-risk children, adolescents & pregnant women, test them for HIV, and link them to treatment, prevention, care and support services.

RETAIN
Retain pregnant women, mothers, children and adolescents living with HIV on treatment, and retain HIV-exposed infants in care.

PREVENT
Prevent HIV infection in at-risk adolescents, including girls.

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EVERY CHILD

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