

COVID-19: HEALTH PROVIDER REALITIES ON THE FRONTLINE

ARE WE READY AND PREPARED?

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COVID-19:
What paediatric HIV Programmes need to know!



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Introduction



- **PATA and frontline health provider network COVID-19 survey**



- **HIK and Kenya: Reality on the ground**

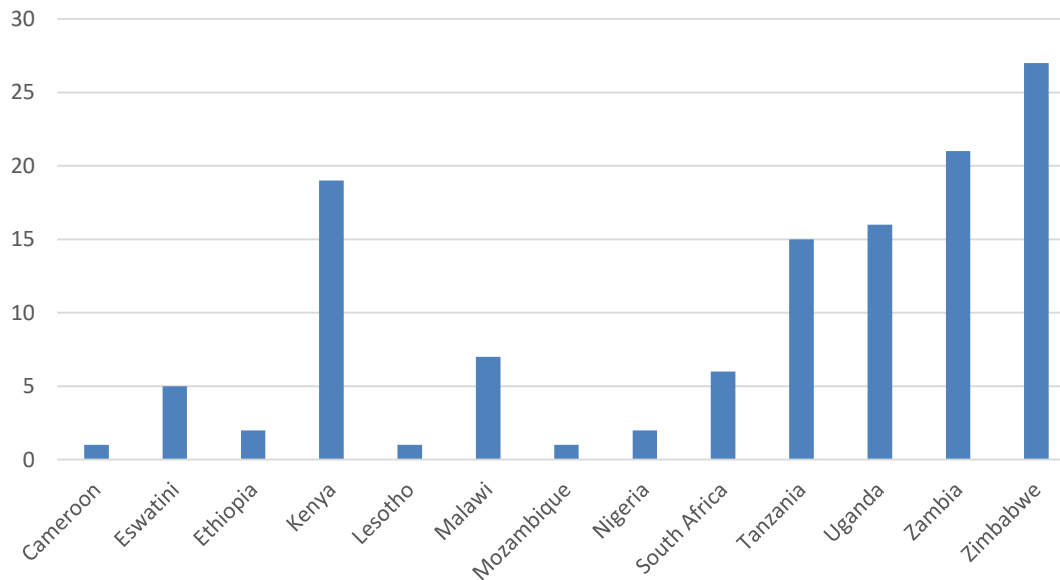
“The importance of frontline health providers, both in the community and the health facility, is greater now than ever. Health providers need to be equipped with information, resources and protection.”

Richard Kilonzo, PATA TA, Uganda

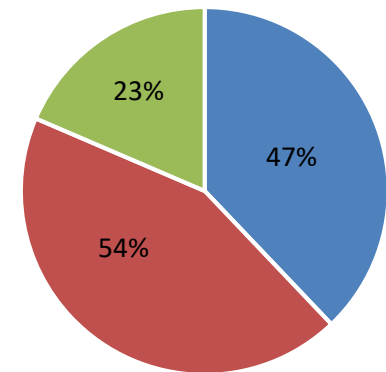
Preliminary Results PATA survey

- 124 respondents from ESA
- 97% provide HIV treatment and care services for children/adolescents

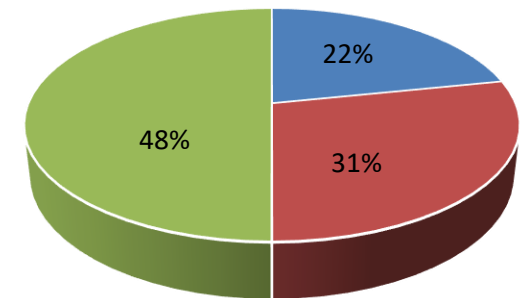
Initial survey results



Health facilities



■ primary ■ secondary ■ tertiary



■ peri-urban ■ rural ■ urban

Emerging themes: PATA survey

- 27% report to have 3+ month ARV supply and can provide MMD
- 13% of respondents say to have a triage systems in place
- 27% have hand wash stations/sanitizers in facility
- 64% report to have no COVID-19 test kits or screening ability
- Less than 4% have sufficient PPE masks/gowns gloves
- 71% clinics have no respirator support equipment

Emerging themes: PATA survey

- 23% do not have an SOP on COVID-19 screening/management in place and 60 % report they need more SOP
- 20% do not have an SOP on infection control, personal safety protocols and use of PPE and 62% report they need more
- 68% report their clinic is unprepared
- 95% + respondents report feeling stressed about COVID-19
- 50% indicate that the community needs sensitization and more information about COVID-19

Key themes: frontline health providers across the region

- Fear of the unknown/anxiety
- Guidance – is it filtering down?
- Information – overlooked or overloaded?
- Safety and lack of PPE
- Managing HIV services – not losing gains
- Mental health
- Multiple vulnerabilities

Frontline health providers – Your voice counts!

Please forward the survey in your networks! We have extended the survey to the 25th of April.

Complete one of the following:

- [English survey](#)
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- [Swahili survey](#)



Thank You!

- Survey respondents
- Frontline health providers and peer supporters
- UNICEF and the Children and AIDS Learning Collaborative
- HIK, Kenya
- PATA, South Africa
- PATA Technical Assistants (TAs)



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