U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief









Five-Year Strategy of the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

The Five-Year Strategy of the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) outlines the high-level direction of the program for its second phase as the largest element of President Obama's Global Health Initiative (GHI). This strategy reflects lessons learned in the initial years of the program, expands existing commitments around service delivery, and places a heightened emphasis on sustainability.

The global HIV/AIDS epidemic requires a comprehensive, multisectoral approach that expands access to prevention, care and treatment. As PEPFAR works to build upon its successes, it is transitioning from an emergency response to promoting sustainable, integrated, and country-led programs.

PEPFAR's Goals:

During its second phase, as part of President Obama's Global Health Initiative, PEPFAR is:

- Transitioning from an emergency response to promotion of sustainable country programs;
- Strengthening partner government capacity to lead the response to this epidemic and other health demands;
- Expanding prevention, care, and treatment in both concentrated and generalized epidemics;
- Integrating and coordinating HIV/AIDS programs with broader global health and development programs to maximize impact on health systems; and
- Investing in innovation and operations research to evaluate impact, improve service delivery and maximize outcomes.

Programmatic Strategy

In this second phase of PEPFAR, a new program strategy is under way that supports the Obama Administration's overall emphasis under the GHI on improving health outcomes, increasing program sustainability and integration, and strengthening health systems. PEPFAR is working closely with country teams in order to translate, prioritize, and implement this strategy in a manner appropriate to the country context. More information on the broader strategic framework for PEPFAR activities can be found in the strategy annexes available at www.pepfar.gov/strategy/.

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PEPFAR's Targets through FY 2014¹

Prevention

- Support the prevention of more than 12 million new HIV infections.
- Ensure that every partner country with a generalized epidemic has both 80% coverage of testing for pregnant women at the national level, and 85% coverage of antiretroviral drug prophylaxis and treatment, as indicated, of women found to be HIV-infected.
- Double the number of at-risk babies born HIV-free, from the 240,000 babies of HIV-positive mothers who were born HIV-negative during the first five years of PEPFAR.
- In every partner country with a generalized epidemic, provide 100% of youth in PEPFAR prevention programs with comprehensive and correct knowledge of the ways HIV/AIDS is transmitted and ways to protect themselves, consistent with Millennium Development Goal indicators in this area.

Care and Support and Treatment

- Provide direct support for more than 4 million people on treatment, more than doubling the number of people directly supported on treatment during the first five years of PEPFAR.
- Support care for more than 12 million people, including 5 million orphans and vulnerable children.
- Ensure that every partner country with a generalized epidemic reaches a threshold of 65% coverage for early infant diagnosis at the national level, and testing of 80% of older children of HIV-positive mothers, with increased referrals and linkages to care and treatment.

Sustainability

- Support training and retention of more than 140,000 new health care workers to strengthen health systems.
- In order to support country ownership, ensure that in each country with a major PEPFAR investment (greater than \$5 million), the partner government leads efforts to evaluate and define needs and roles in the national response.
- Ensure that in every partner country with a Partnership Framework, each country will change policies to address the larger structural conditions, such as gender-based violence, stigma, or low male partner involvement, which contribute to the spread of the epidemic.

The PEPFAR Five-Year Strategy is available online at www.PEPFAR.gov/strategy/, along with the following Annexes:

- The annex on "PEPFAR and Prevention, Care and Treatment" outlines how PEPFAR will build on successful HIV programs, as well as strengthen broader health systems. PEPFAR will not only continue quality delivery of HIV prevention, care and treatment services, but also create a durable response that can continue long into the future.
- The annex on "PEPFAR and the Global Context of HIV" considers America's commitment to HIV/AIDS in the broader global context. In the coming years, PEPFAR will work with partner country governments, bilateral partners, multilateral partners, and others to mount a true global response to the HIV/AIDS pandemic.
- The annex on "PEPFAR's Contributions to the Global Health Initiative" discusses how the Global Health Initiative will build upon the impressive results and momentum of PEPFAR and other U.S. Government health programs. As the cornerstone of the Global Health Initiative, PEPFAR will support countries in providing more efficient, integrated and sustainable health programs, and serve as a foundation upon which to link and integrate systems of care.

¹ For more information on PEPFAR's data collection, please visit: www.pepfar.gov/2009results/.