

# An Activist's Guide to Influencing and Monitoring KPIF Rollout

## About the KPIF

[PEPFAR's Key Population Investment Fund \(KPIF\)](#) is a \$100 million funding stream, and is intended for programs and organizations focused on key populations. The initiative was announced in 2016 but hit a number of delays in its implementation. Now finally launched, some details about its structure are clearer: these PEPFAR grants will be made through USAID and CDC to implementing partners in each country, who then direct resources to local key population-led organizations. Key population (KP) groups need to take center stage in the planning and implementation of the whole initiative. Here are some things to know in order to effectively engage.

## KPIF Countries

The following are KPIF countries, organized by lead agency (the USG group through which funds will flow):

- **CDC:** Guatemala, Nigeria, Uganda, Ukraine, Zambia
- **USAID:** Cote d'Ivoire, Eswatini, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zimbabwe
- **Shared between CDC/USAID:** Dominican Republic, Haiti, Kenya, Nigeria, South Africa, Tanzania
- USAID will be lead agency for some additional project support in the Asia and West Africa Regions.

## KPIF Survey

Are you a member of a KP-led organization in a KPIF country? If so, [please take this short survey](#) to help us provide timely information and support on KPIF engagement.

## KPIF Highlights

- In-country work planning—review/revision of KPIF country proposals—is ongoing through September 2019.
- CDC and USAID will select Implementing Partners (IP) who are “KP competent”. If you don't know the selected IPs for your country, [feel free to contact AVAC](#). Please make sure you verify if the selected IP is indeed KP competent, and if they are not, you should be writing to your country lead agency now.
- Funds are already in-country and will flow through either CDC or USAID to a KP competent IP who will then directly fund KP-led local organizations.
- IPs should not be leading KPIF, their role is to make sure the funds are distributed to the right KP-led organizations. If they are saying otherwise, you should alert your country lead agency.
- KPIF is not all service delivery; there is a component of capacity building and financial capacity strengthening, and you should make sure that this is prioritized during the planning process.
- Impact of the funds will be measured through the following indicators:
  - ✓ **HTS\_POS:** Total number of people who test HIV positive

- ✓ **TX\_NEW**: Total number of HIV positive people initiated on treatment
- ✓ **PrEP\_NEW**: Total number of people initiated on PrEP
- Reporting and review of all KPIF results will occur quarterly.

### **Activist Demands**

- USAID/CDC country consultation with KP civil society, government and other development partners is essential.
- Financial and capacity-strengthening support to local KP-led and KP competent civil society organizations (CSOs) should be prioritized.

### **Activist To-Do List**

1. Ask for a meeting with the KPIF funding lead agency, ask for updates on the IPs' plans, geography, KP partner role, country budget. If you don't have access to this information email [avac-compass@avac.org](mailto:avac-compass@avac.org).
2. Coordinate leading KP organizations across your country to provide updates and share agenda. The work is often stronger when done via a network or consortium of groups.
3. If there is no KP coalition in your country, you may want to build one NOW. KPIF can support the work of building a coalition.
4. Ask your country agency for the dates of the in-country planning. Most likely there will be a global CSO representation in country that week. Find out who they are and start working with them now. If the meeting has already passed, ask for information on the proceedings, who was there and the timeline for finalizing plans.
5. Organize a meeting with your coalition/consortium to come up with a bold priority list that you can share with the IP and country agency.
6. If your in-country planning meeting has passed, and you weren't able to participate, we want to hear from you. [Please fill out this quick survey](#) (link also available above).
7. Consortiums do not have to apply for KPIF funds but organizations should apply based on needs and strengths. Consortiums can work to identify which member is best-placed to deliver particular services and decide that they should be the one applying for that portion of the program.
8. Monitoring and evaluation of KPIF will be done based on MER indicators, if you don't know about MER indicator or need data support email [avac-compass@avac.org](mailto:avac-compass@avac.org).

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