Community-Centered HIV Prevention and Treatment Agenda

Wits-RHI: South Africa

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Work plan objectives

Originally set out to . . .

- Advocate for HCW’s sensitization about PreP implementation for discordant partners.
- To launch and scale up a U=U campaign led by Women Living with HIV.
- Support advocacy for HIV prevention and Covid 19 efforts.
Accomplishments

Meeting held with NDoH and SANAC in Jan 2021 to discuss the U=U campaign plans

Meeting held with CDC, UNAIDS (SA) led to: UNAIDs and CDC country office endorsing U=U

Meeting held with Prevention Access Campaign (PAC) to discuss establishment of U=U Africa Forum which led to: Establishment of the Forum (under PAC) in partnership with Uganda and Botswana U=U advocates and a launch of U=U ambassadors from seven African countries

Consultations held with the Eastern Cape Aids Council and MEC of Health which led to:

- Eastern Cape Province endorsed U=U in Dec 2020
- E.C U=U Provincial launch (10th September) by the E.C premier, ECDoH, ECAC and partners (joined by SANAC and UNAIDs)
- U=U march joined by UNAIDs, ECAC, Municipal Manager, Deputy Mayor and PLWHIV sector
Successfully collaborated with Gauteng and Eastern Cape RTC to conduct trainings for HCW’s on latest PreP guidelines- led to: 60 HCW’s trained as ToT

U=U scale up led to:

✓ 100 WLWHIV trained as U=U pioneers across Gauteng and 80 in the Eastern Cape
✓ U=U training for 55 (HAST Managers) across the E.C province
✓ 56 nurse clinicians trained on U=U

Collaborated with South African HIV Clinicians Society which led to

✓ Publishing of U=U article in HIV Nursing matters journal
✓ Presented U=U to more than 350 clinicians across Africa
The start of the U=U journey

CME webinar: Thursday, 18 February 2021
from 17h30 to 19h30 (SAST)
Topic: Viral load and U=U

Programme:
17h30 Introduction by Chair | Prof. Francois Venter
17h35 Viral load | Prof. Annemarie Wensing
18h20 Undetectable = Untransmittable (U=U) | Ms Mandisa Dukashe
19h05 Q & A
19h30 End

Registration:
If you haven't registered yet please do so via
https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_yk8lgP6KQh2k_Szb-qboWw

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First meeting to establish U=U Africa Forum under PAC umbrella
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Simon Agolory, CDC...
U=U March
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U=U
Consultations/Activation Workshops
with NGO’s, CSO’s, PLWHIV groups and Aids Council Secretariats
EC Aids Council in drive to increase ARV treatment for people living with HIV

By Amanda Nano • 30 September 2021

It ends with me. That is the message the Eastern Cape Aids Council (ECAC) wants to drive home with its new Undetectable equals Untransmittable (U=U) campaign.
U=U workshops for E.C HAST Managers and Nurses
Sustainability

Moving forward: advocacy and myself

- Possibility to collaborate with SAHCS to scale up U=U workshops for HCW’s country wide- 2022
- Consultation held with the Tshwane Senior management in Oct 21- buy-in obtained to scale up U=U (through Wits-RHI)
- Advocating for integration of U=U in guidelines and policies
- Through the U=U Africa Forum, will work with U=U ambassadors across Africa to advocate for scale up of U=U regionally.
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