

# CHILE 2022

Summary of the Joint Programme's support to the national HIV response in 2022



In 2022, Chile continued to expand access to HIV services for all with the Joint Team's support. Focus group discussions with vulnerable and key populations, including people living with HIV, and people from the LGBTI community helped to identify their needs and barriers to combination HIV prevention services, including stigma and discrimination due to HIV status and sexual orientation. The 57 participants further underscored the need to strengthen access to pre- and post-exposure prophylaxis, post-test counselling and immediate linkage to treatment, and to implement structural interventions to reduce stigma and discrimination (WHO). Besides, a study on acceptance of HIV self-testing in Chile with the participation of 739 people (94.7% self-tested) showed strong approval among key populations and the need to strengthen community-led service delivery to improve uptake and access to this service (WHO).

Through collaboration between the Joint Team and nongovernmental organizations, migrants, refugees, and people from host communities in Santiago and northern regions were sensitized on HIV and received peer support to

access HIV services in the national healthcare system (UNHCR).

As part of efforts to eliminate mother-to-child transmission (EMTCT) of HIV, Hepatitis B, Syphilis and Chagas in Chile, 828 healthcare professionals and experts familiarized themselves with new EMTCT technical standard. In addition, a qualitative study that convened pregnant women and primary care users generated strategic information to further guide programming for strengthened PMTCT services (WHO).

## KEY RESULTS

- Focus groups and studies highlighted gaps and identified opportunities for progress.
- Migrants, refugees and host communities reached with HIV prevention and supported to access HIV services.
- 828 health providers increased knowledge on new EMTCT technical standard for better quality services.

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2022 Joint Programme  
Expenditure

Total US\$ 134 655

2022 expenditure data  
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the update (August 2023)

