

GUINEA-BISSAU 2022

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

In 2022, the Joint Team reinforced Guinea-Bissau's efforts to improve public awareness and access to HIV testing, prevention, and treatment services. Various strategies were developed to guide the national response, including the national protocols for comprehensive clinical management of people living with HIV; the guidance on clinical management of children living with HIV; and the practical guidance for comprehensive clinical management of adolescents and adults living with HIV in Canchungo town, Cacheu Region (WHO). A total of 29 healthcare professionals received a training to support integration of HIV, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), tuberculosis, hepatitis, and community immunisation services with sexual, reproductive, maternal and neonatal health services (UNFPA). In addition, 3500 OraQuik rapid HIV test kits, 8300 rapid hepatitis C and 12 000 hepatitis B test kits were procured, strengthening diagnostic services in the country (WHO). More than 92 000 condoms were also distributed through collaboration with a non-governmental organization (UNFPA).

A total of 960 people living with HIV received food assistance in 2022 to ensure adherence to treatment and improve their health outcomes (WFP).

Over 150 young people representing the national network of youth associations (RENAJ) improved their understanding of sexual and reproductive health, family planning and STIs, particularly HIV (UNFPA). Young people were further engaged in peer education activities on the prevention of HIV, tuberculosis, STIs, hepatitis and COVID-19, through the creation of youth clubs in rural and urban areas, as well as in primary and secondary schools and universities (UNDP).

To address sociocultural barriers to men's participation in the HIV response, 150 community members, including traditional and religious leaders were oriented on the prevention of STI, HIV, tuberculosis and malaria, and related services, in Bairro Militar of Bissau and the towns of Cátio, Empada, Bambadinca and Sonaco (UNFPA).



KEY RESULTS

- Strengthened delivery of quality HIV services through capacity building of health professionals, development of guidance and care protocols, and procurement of health commodities.
- Facilitated engagement of young people in the HIV response through orientation sessions and creation of youth clubs.
- Promoted men's participation in the HIV response in partnership with traditional and religious leaders.

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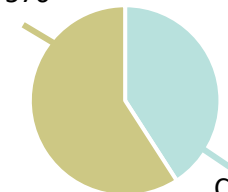


2022 Joint Programme
Expenditure

Total US\$ 205 668

2022 expenditure data
available at the time of
the update (August 2023)

Non-core
US\$ 121 576



Core
US\$ 84 092