

MALI 2022

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

The Joint Team in Mali supported the expansion of HIV services for all, including in humanitarian settings through capacity building of healthcare providers and strengthening of community-based HIV responses.

Access to prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT) service increased: 2400 health facilities and 78 paediatric care sites received HIV tests and other materials, while 522 healthcare providers had training on HIV testing, early diagnosis and paediatric care. In Kayes and Sikasso, 177 trained healthcare providers in PMTCT and paediatric care sites sensitized a total of 41 285 people, including 12 925 pregnant women on vertical transmission of HIV. The use of PMTCT, nutrition, sexually transmitted infection (STI) and tuberculosis services as entry points scaled up case detection among children living with HIV, while index testing in Intensive Nutritional Education and Recovery Units helped to identify and screen 24 629 people (UNICEF, UNAIDS Secretariat).

A digital campaign based on the Hello Ado app comprising information on HIV, sexual and reproductive health, gender-based violence and HIV-related stigma reached 151 000 adolescents and young people through technical and financial support provided to eight youth associations (UNESCO). In four regions, 330 young people improved their knowledge of HIV prevention, menstrual hygiene, gender-based violence and positive masculinity via a joint outreach initiative led by three youth organizations (UN Women).

The Sogoniko Youth Centre in Bamako provided HIV testing services to 6259 people at the centre and through mobile outreach initiatives (UNFPA). To improve HIV prevention and

testing services in prisons, 30 prisoners peer educators and prison staff from two prisons received training on HIV and sexually transmitted infection (STI) sensitization techniques and promotion of safe behaviours, and 131 prisoners got screened for HIV and STIs through a collaboration with government and civil society organizations (UNAIDS Secretariat).

In 2022, a total of 3685 men in uniform and their dependents, 3182 vulnerable girls and women as well as 2490 people from key populations received HIV testing and information on HIV prevention and treatment services (UNHCR).

Nine HIV testing and counselling centres in military bases were equipped and renovated, while healthcare providers from these centres improved their skills in delivering differentiated HIV screening, index testing, HIV and hepatitis co-infection services (MINUSMA).

In Bamako, 3388 refugees and internally displaced persons improved their knowledge of HIV and COVID-19 prevention and care services through 12 sensitization sessions. In Bamako and Kayes, 538 people from five refugee sites received HIV prevention and care messages and HIV testing following the capacity building of peer educators (UNHCR). As part of the *Mopti without AIDS* initiative aimed at reducing the impact of HIV in humanitarian settings, 3417 people in Mopti and Bandiagara were tested for HIV (UNFPA, UNDP). Also, 1140 people had orientation on prevention of gender-based and conflict-related violence (MINUSMA).



KEY RESULTS

- Considerably expanded HIV services and information across the country among pregnant women and their children, young people, prisoners, men in uniform and people in humanitarian settings.
- Supported development of the National HIV Strategic Framework for 2022-2026, which is divided by regions to further adapt the national HIV response to regional needs.
- Strengthened community-led monitoring through capacity building of networks of people living with HIV for improved functioning and increased role in the HIV response.
- Standards and protocols on treatment services for people living with HIV revised in accordance with the 2021 WHO guidelines.
- Supported commitment to end new HIV infections among children signed off by the Minister of Health and Social Development and religious and community leaders as part of the Global Alliance to end AIDS in children by 2030.

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In Bamako city and Kayes, Koulikoro, Segou and Sikasso regions, over 5000 people improved their knowledge of violence against women and girls in the context of HIV prevention, human rights and improving the living conditions of people living with HIV, through sensitization caravans supported by the Joint Team. Furthermore, 680 traditional and faith leaders improved their capacity to implement awareness-raising activities within their communities, including on HIV, stigma and gender-based violence prevention and promotion of gender equality (UN Women). In four regions, 1391 teachers and 1150 members of school management committees and parent-teacher associations received orientation on HIV and gender-based violence prevention and sexual and reproductive health (UNESCO).

In collaboration with the national network of people living with HIV, the Ministry of Health and other partners, 93 households with 450 people living with or affected by HIV and tuberculosis received cash transfers for three months to cover their food expenses. A total of 423 people from 85 vulnerable households were supported in their enrolment on the Unified Social Register improving their access to basic social services, including health, food and social protection programmes (WFP).



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2022 Joint Programme Expenditure

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