

MOZAMBIQUE 2022

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



Mozambique became one of the first 12 countries to join the *Global Alliance to End AIDS in Children by 2030*, thanks to the advocacy and technical support from the Joint Team (UNICEF, WHO, UNAIDS Secretariat). Additionally, Gaza, Maputo and Maputo city piloted newly developed guidelines for syphilis screening, treatment for pregnant women and follow up of syphilis-exposed children in line with the triple elimination of mother-to-child transmission of HIV, syphilis, and hepatitis B plan (UNICEF, WHO, UNAIDS Secretariat).

In prevention, 100 000 young people were sensitized on condom use, HIV, sexual and reproductive health and rights, and gender-based violence through various communication campaigns in line with the National Condom Strategy (UNFPA, UNAIDS Secretariat). As part of the Eastern and Southern Africa Ministerial Commitment, 20 school directors and gender focal persons improved their understanding of combination HIV prevention, sexual and reproductive health, gender-based violence, and comprehensive sexuality education for adolescents and young people (UNESCO). In addition, 25 radio journalists were trained on the "Let's talk" radio series, designed to initiate conversations with parents and communities on the prevention of new HIV infections and early and unintended pregnancies (UNESCO).

The Government developed the National Strategic Plan for HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) 2023-2030; guidelines for prevention, diagnosis, and management of STIs as well as a harm reduction programme monitoring and evaluation plan to strengthen the quality and access to these services (UNODC, WHO, UNAIDS Secretariat).

A total of 6924 people, including people living with HIV, adolescent girls, young women, truck drivers and female sex workers accessed HIV and STI services and 6909 of the people were screened for tuberculosis through the

Blue Box roadside wellness clinic (RWC) at the Beira transport corridor, offering service provision to key vulnerable populations at a mobile and easily reproducible facility constructed from converted shipping containers. In addition, 5247 people accessed HIV testing and counselling, STI screening and treatment, COVID-19, malnutrition screening and nutrition counselling services through the Blue Box mobile clinics, while 11 000 workers and their families in Beira Corridor received HIV self-testing kits (UNICEF, WFP, WHO, IOM).

During the International Week for Treatment, 2000 people with HIV and cancer were screened and linked to appropriate treatment through a collaboration with *Associacao Avante Mulher* and *Movement for Treatment in Mozambique* (MATRAM) (ILO, UNAIDS Secretariat).

As part of the *Undetectable=Untransmittable (U=U)* campaign, 15 television spots were aired on one of the top-rated television channels in Mozambique; 360 radio spots and programmes were broadcasted in two languages on the national antenna of *Rádío Moçambique*; and close to 7000 insertions in the nine most spoken national languages were aired in 23 community radios across the country. Some of the key messages were: "I am Undetectable, I take my ARV every day"; "I chose to take ARV, I'm living with HIV and I'm feeling good" (WHO, UNAIDS Secretariat).

In Gaza, 50 representatives from women-led civil society organizations and youth networks were trained on data collection and analysis, with focus on male engagement, harmful practices and gender social norms increasing adolescent girls and young women's vulnerability to HIV infection (UNFPA, UNAIDS Secretariat).

KEY RESULTS

- Mozambique became one of the first 12 countries to join the *Global Alliance to End AIDS in Children by 2030*.
- The Government developed the National Strategic Plan for HIV/AIDS and Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs) 2023-2030.
- 100 000 young people were sensitized on condom use, HIV, sexual and reproductive health and rights, and gender-based violence through various communication campaigns.
- Over 19 000 people received TB, HIV, STI screenings, counselling and treatment through the *Blue Box roadside wellness clinic*.

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2022 Joint Programme Expenditure

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2022 expenditure data
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