



WHO Regional Office for Europe HIV/AIDS activities

Highlights

EU HIV/AIDS Civil Society Forum meeting

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- UA progress report 2010
- Work with MSM
- Global Health Sector Strategy on HIV/AIDS 2011-2015 and European Action plan on HIV/AIDS 2011-2015
- ART guidance for the European Region

UA Progress Report 2010

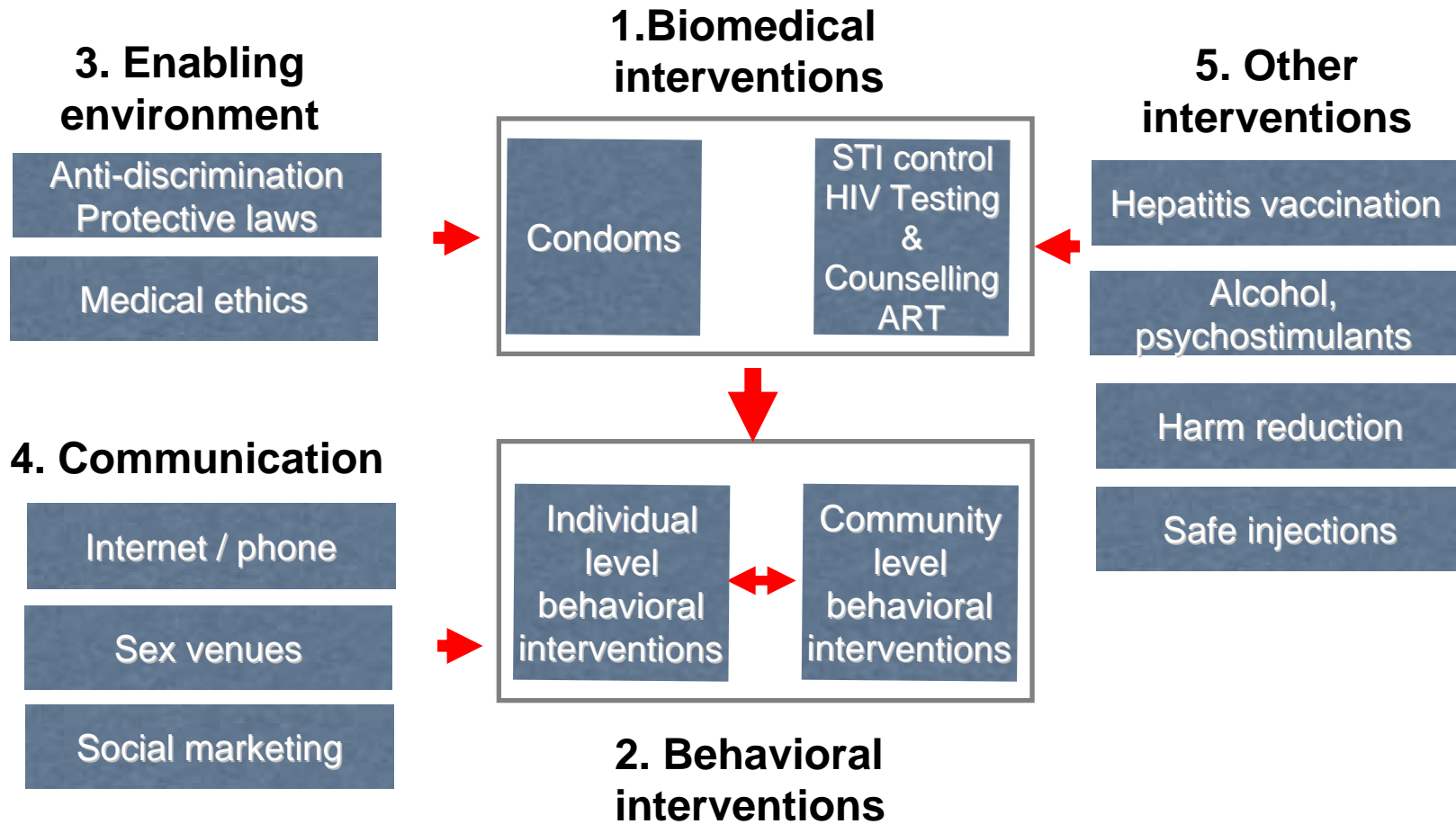
- Released in September 2010
- Looks into health sector response, incl. access to and coverage of HTC, prevention, treatment and care
- <http://www.who.int/hiv/pub/2010progressreport/report>

	Global	Europe and central Asia
Number of people needing ART based on WHO 2010 Guidelines	14 600 000	610 000 In 2008: 570 000
Number of people receiving ART as of December 2009	5 254 000 (36%)	114 000 (19%) (Guid. 2006 - 31%) In 2008: 84 400 (15%) (Guid. 2006 - 25%)
Women with HIV receiving ART for PMTCT	53%	93%
Infants born to women with HIV receiving ART	35%	91%

Work with MSM

- Global recommendations: Prevention and Treatment of HIV and other STIs among MSM and transgender people
- Regional consultation - Hidden epidemic: HIV, MSM and transgender people in eastern Europe and central Asia
- Regional research - describing the epidemic, programmatic response and key barriers in 30 countries

Framework for the prevention and treatment of HIV and other STIs for men who have sex with men and transgender people



MSM work in Europe

- Regional consultation with UNDP, UNAIDS, UNFPA, also supported by the Global Fund
- Kiev 22-24 November 2010, 150 participants
- Addresses: visibility, response (incl. min package of services) and advocacy mechanisms
- Regional overview of HIV in MSM (30 countries)
 - Epidemiology (population size, surveillance and bio-behavioral data)
 - Response (framed by the guidance)
 - Implementation environment/key barriers (including legal issues, stigma and discrimination)

Global Health Sector Strategy on HIV/AIDS 2011-2015

- WHO Universal Access plan ends 2010
- Global HIV and health context and architecture are changing
- World Health Assembly resolution requesting WHO to develop a Global health sector strategy for HIV/AIDS for 2011-2015, through a broad consultative process
- The strategy will build on experiences of "3 by 5" initiative and universal access plan and be aligned with UNAIDS strategy currently under development.

Timeline:

- WHO Executive Board - January 2011
- 64th World Health Assembly - May 2011

Aim of Strategy

- Set **global goals** for the health sector response
- Guide **national HIV responses**
- Provide a framework for **WHO action** at global, regional and country levels

Global Vision

A world free of new HIV infections in which all people living with HIV enjoy long and healthy lives.

Goals and strategic directions

1. To optimize HIV prevention, treatment and care outcomes by expanding coverage and impact of HIV interventions.
2. To maximize the impact of HIV responses on other health outcomes by linking and integrating programmes and services.
3. To build strong and sustainable systems to address HIV/AIDS and other major public health threats.
4. To reduce HIV vulnerability and address structural barriers to accessing HIV services by creating supportive environments for HIV responses.

Regional input to GHSS

- Contribution of different stakeholders working on HIV/AIDS issues to the draft Global health sector strategy
- Reflection of European regional priorities & context
- Combined web-based input (more than half of the global input), a set of in-country consultations, civil society meeting and a large multi-stakeholder meeting
- 32 out of 53 countries provided input

What next?

- The Standing Committee for the Regional Committee for Europe requested a **European Regional HIV/AIDS Action Plan** be presented at the 61st Session September 2011 Baku.
- Will be framed by 4 strategic directions of the Global Health Sector Strategy on HIV/AIDS.
- Will provide concrete guidance to Member States on comprehensively addressing HIV/AIDS.
- The primary audience of the Action Plan is the health authorities of the Member States in the European Region, but also a broader constituency from social and developmental sectors.

Action Plan Development Process

- WHO European Region consultation on Global Health Sector Strategy for HIV/AIDS 2011-2015: August-October 2010.
 - Concept note developed based on results of the European consultation for GHSS October 2010.
 - Concept note presented to SCRC November 2010 in Andorra.
 - Consultation process start mid November 2010 with the first draft.
 - Web based consultation November 2010-February 2011.
 - In-country consultations (5 countries - 2 EU, 3 non-EU) February 2011.
 - Regional consultation (representatives of Member States, civil society, donor and development agencies, United Nations' and EU institutions, private sector and academia) February 2011.
 - Draft action plan to SCRC March 2011.
 - Action plan to be presented at the RC 61 in Baku September 2011.
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- The development process will ensure alignment with UNAIDS Strategic Plan 2011-2015 and European Commission communication and action plan on HIV/AIDS 2009-2013.

How to get involved

- Provide feedback via web based consultation
- Express interest in participating in national/regional consultative meetings
- Bring process to attention of other stakeholders
- Contact us at AIDS@euro.who.int

WHO European HIV/AIDS Treatment and Care Clinical Protocols

- Important new evidence has emerged since 2007 regarding:
 - the time to initiate antiretroviral therapy (ART) in individuals who need treatment,
 - effectiveness and toxicity profile of a number of antiretroviral medications (ARVs),
 - management of major co-infections, i.e. Hepatitis B/HIV and Tuberculosis/HIV,
 - ARV prophylaxis of HIV mother-to-child transmission, etc.
- The new evidence can be found in the revised global WHO recommendations (2010) for a public health approach to *Antiretroviral therapy for HIV infection in adults and adolescents* and *Antiretroviral drugs for treating pregnant women and preventing HIV infection in infant*.
- The WHO European clinical protocols that will be updated are the following:
 - Protocol 1, Patient Evaluation and ART for adults and Adolescents
 - Protocol 4, Management of Tuberculosis and HIV co-infection
 - Protocol 7, Management of Hepatitis B and HIV co-infection
 - Protocol 10, Prevention of HIV Transmission from HIV-infected Mothers to Their Infants
 - Protocol 11, Paediatric HIV/AIDS Treatment and Care