



Call for Interest – Training on Community-Led Monitoring (CLM) of the Dublin Declaration on HIV/AIDS

Dear AAE Member organisations,

We would like to inform you about and encourage you to apply to our upcoming training focused on Community-Led Monitoring (CLM) of the Dublin Declaration on HIV/AIDS. The call is open for community representatives (people living with HIV (PLHIV) and other key populations) working at AAE Member organisations the EU Member States, particularly where CLM is not meaningfully included or entirely absent in national HIV/AIDS response monitoring.

Background

HIV community—led monitoring (CLM) is an accountability mechanism for the improvement of and access to HIV-prevention, care and treatment services. Inclusion and recognition of CLM in monitoring HIV/AIDS responses ensures that services respond to the needs of people living with HIV and other key populations and can inform policymakers and funders on aligning their strategies and decisions accordingly.

Since the establishment of the HIV/AIDS response monitoring in Europe: "Monitoring Implementation of the Dublin Declaration", conducted by the European Centre for Disease Prevention and Control (ECDC), CLM has been recognised as an integral part of it. In line with this recognition, governments and public health bodies were required to include civil society and communities in the monitoring and reporting activities. Unfortunately, due to change of the methodology in the reporting mechanism, the inclusion of civil society and communities is encouraged, it is no longer mandatory in the reporting and monitoring activities, and while some member states still include CSOs and community partners, others have excluded them completely.

Aim

This training aims to build and increase capacities of community representatives (PLHIV) and other key populations and other communities affected by HIV and AIDS working at civil society organisations, to advocate for their inclusion in monitoring activities and meaningfully participate in their national CLM.

Details

This training is a part of the AIDS Action Europe Community-Led Monitoring (CLM) project. Following the training, the participant's organisation will receive a mini-grant of 1500€ and be expected under the lead of the trained participant to plan and implement a small-scale CLM advocacy project at the national level until the end of 2023, utilising the skills and knowledge acquired during the training.

The training will take place **on November 4-5**. We can provide 10 full scholarships to cover travel expenses including flights, local transport costs, accommodation, and meals. Please keep in mind that in order to maintain the quality of the training, we can only accept a limited number of participants and will select the participants based on the quality of their applications.

We are inviting qualified individuals to apply for this training opportunity.

Eligibility Criteria

- Applicants must represent an organisation, which is an AAE member organisation and is registered and based in one of the EU Member States, Iceland, Norway, Ukraine, or Moldova.¹
- Applicants and their organisations must be from a country where CLM is not meaningfully included or entirely absent in national HIV/AIDS response monitoring and Dublin Monitoring.
- Applicants should have solid knowledge about the national situation in terms of access to HIV services, policy and practical barriers in access to HIV services, stigma and discrimination of key populations and preferably have some experience in advocacy activities.
- Applicants must be able and willing to implement a small-scale CLM advocacy project at the national level after completing the training by the end of 2023.
- Applicants must have a good level of English, as the training will be conducted in English.
- **Note:** During the selection process, priority will be given to the community members (key populations² and other communities affected by HIV and AIDS³) but the applications from non-community members will be accepted.

Required Documents

- CV
- Cover letter explaining your **motivation, related experience, and interest** in this training, **describing the current situation and needs in relation to CLM in your national context**.
- Please specify in your application whether you want to receive the **full scholarship** (covers travel expenses including flights, local transport costs, accommodation, and meals); **partial** (please select what should be covered by AAE (only travels or only accommodation) or **self-funded**.
- Letter confirming that you represent and delegated by your organisation to attend the training.

Please submit your application documents via email to Nina Tumanyan (nina.tumanyan@dah.aidshilfe.de) and cc Shabnam Abdullayeva (shabnam.abdullayeva@dah.aidshilfe.de) indicate in the email **subject "Training on Community-Led Monitoring (CLM)"**.

We look forward to receiving your applications.

Best regards,
Nina Tumanyan

Project Manager



www.aidsactioneurope.org

AIDS Action Europe Office

c/o Deutsche Aidshilfe

Wilhelmstr. 138, 10963 Berlin

Mail: nina.tumanyan@dah.aidshilfe.de

www.facebook.com/aidsactioneurope

www.twitter.com/aidsactioneurop

1 Note: The selection process prioritises geographical diversity, and in cases with multiple applicants from the same country, we will thoroughly evaluate each based on qualifications and eligibility to select one representative.

2 UNAIDS definition: Key populations – gay men and other men who have sex with men, sex workers, transgender people, people who inject drugs, and incarcerated people.

3 Other communities affected by HIV and AIDS - communities that are affected by HIV and AIDS and have an increased risk in Europe or in the specific national context (e.g. migrants).