



Malawi DSD Update

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Outline

- **Where are we now?**
 - CQUIN Dashboard Results
 - DART Model Mix
- **How did we get here?**
 - Update on CQUIN Action Plan
 - Program adaptations made in response to COVID19
 - Successes and Challenges
- **2021 goals and targets**

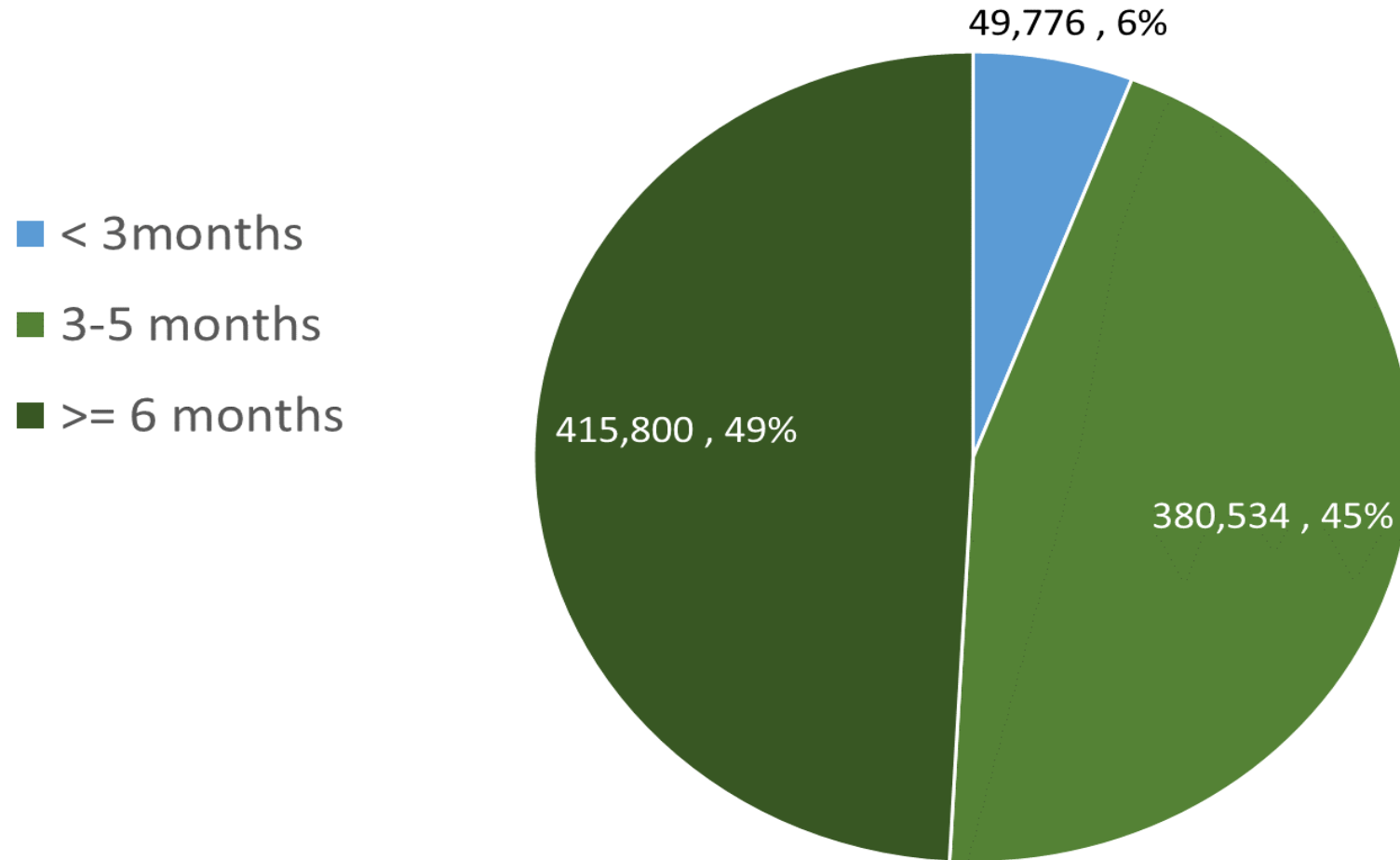
CQUIN Dashboard Results

Domains	Most Recent Staging: October 2020
Policies	Dark Green
Guidelines	Dark Green
Diversity of Services	Dark Green
Scale-Up Plan	Dark Green
Coordination	Dark Green
Community Engagement	Dark Green
Training	Dark Green
SOPs	Light Green
M&E System	Yellow
Facility Coverage	Dark Green
Patient Coverage	Dark Green
Quality	Orange
Impact	Orange

Change in Dashboard Domains since 2018

Domains	Oct-18	Comparison Staging: October 2019	Most Recent Staging: October 2020
Policies	Dark Green	Dark Green	Dark Green
Guidelines	Yellow	Dark Green	Dark Green
Diversity of Services	Dark Green	Dark Green	Dark Green
Scale-Up Plan	Light Green	Light Green	Dark Green
Coordination	Dark Green	Dark Green	Dark Green
Community Engagement	Yellow	Yellow	Dark Green
Training	Yellow	Light Green	Dark Green
SOPs	Red	Light Green	Light Green
M&E System	Orange	Yellow	Yellow
Facility Coverage	Dark Green	Dark Green	Dark Green
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Model Mix, 2020 Q2 (N =846,110)



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Update on CQUIN Action Plan from 11/2019

- Activities that have been successfully completed include:
 - **Deployment of DSD module in EMR sites**
 - **Scale up of 6MMS sites**
 - **Intensifying mentorship and supervision for 6MMS**
- One activity that was dropped or that is still underway is:
 - **Incorporate DSD in QI framework for quality monitoring for DSD**
 - **ROC literacy to create demand**

Key policy and practice adaptations made in response to COVID19

Though never went into a complete lock-down state

- Focused services to be facility based
- Relaxed criteria for 6-MMD to maximize uptake
 - TLD
 - ABC/3TC+DTG (Adult)
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- Teen clubs and other patient support groups that involve gathering of people
- Limited screening for HIV and routine viral load
- Suspending PrEP and TPT initiation
- Blind switch of ATV/r to DTG based regimen

M&E adaptations made in response to COVID19 to enhance data reporting

- EMRs module programmed to accommodate MMD
- E-master card site scale-up
- 95% of all ART sites were able to generate the standard MoH ART reports electronically
- Supported district teams virtually on data quality

Successes

- Introduction of AHD program for both stable & unstable RoCs
 - **Orientation sessions done & ongoing**
 - **Service delivery in progress**
- Development of SOPs, guidelines and policy documents for advanced HIV disease management
- Development of SOP for HIV viral load monitoring
- Scaled up 6-MMD
- EMR system module upgraded to better document and report
 - **Those on 3MMD**
 - **Those between 3MMD - <5MMD**
 - **Those who are on 6MMD**
- Adequate commodity stocks for a bigger proportion of RoCs in the national cohort

Challenges (other than COVID-19)

- Assessment of the impact of DSDs
 - **Retention**
 - **Patient satisfaction**
 - **Viral suppression**
- EMR down-times
- Double counting of patients between models
- Eligibility criteria for 6-MMD not adhered to in selected sites
- Inadequate stocks for other treatment regimens to provide 6-MMD



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2021 Goals and Targets

By CQUIN's 5th annual meeting (end-2021):

- Finalize M&E strategy for DSD to track DSD coverage and its impact on continuity of care and viral suppression
- Enhance facility level assessment of impact of DSD models including 6MMD on patient satisfaction, continuity of care and viral suppression
- Scale up or expand teen clubs & also target more on the KP group, AGYW, FSW, MSM
- Integrate some DSD models into MCH and other programs
- Incorporate **quality improvement approach** in AHD management
- To scale up AHD sites nationwide for both hub & spoke sites
- Sustain the gains made in the previous years

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