



# Uganda Update

CQUIN 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting

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**HIV Learning Network**  
The CQUIN Project for Differentiated Service Delivery

# Outline

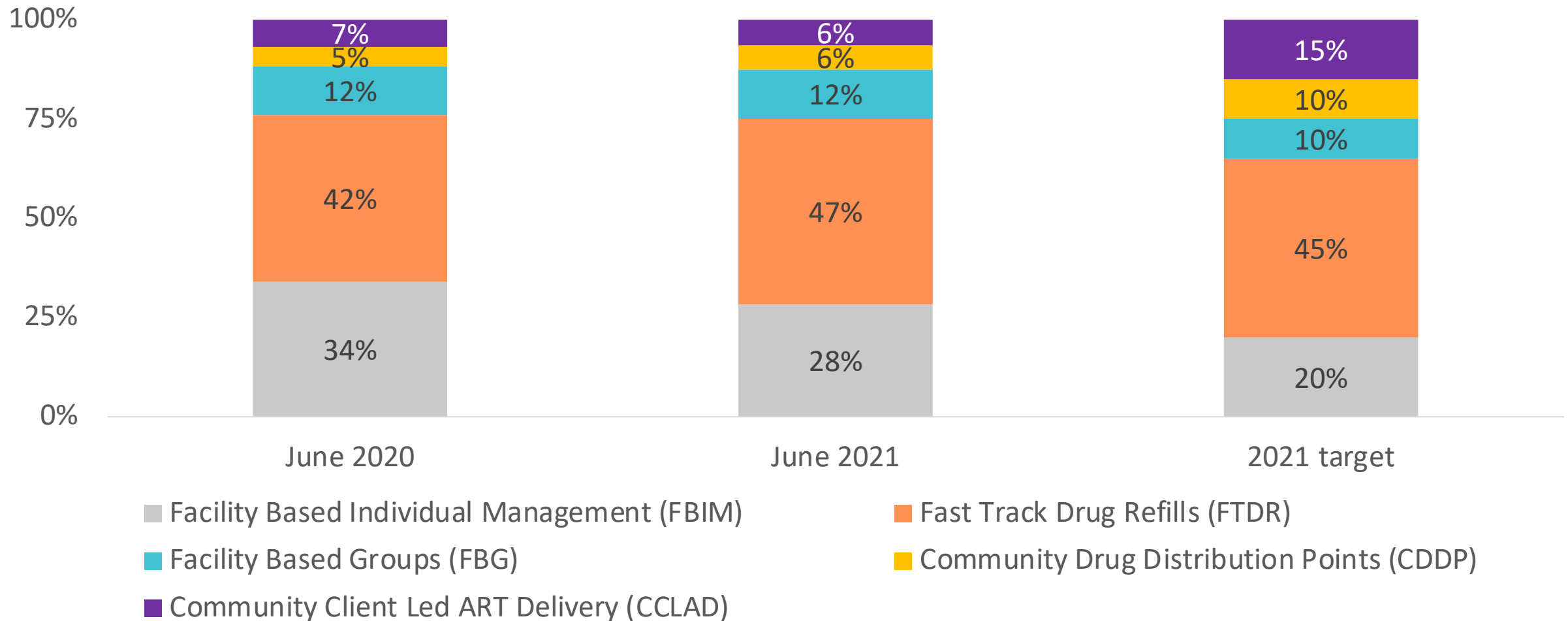
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  - CQUIN Dashboard Results
  - DART Model Mix
- **How did we get here?**
  - Update on CQUIN Action Plan
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  - Successes and Challenges
- **2022 goals and targets**

# Uganda Dashboard Since 2018

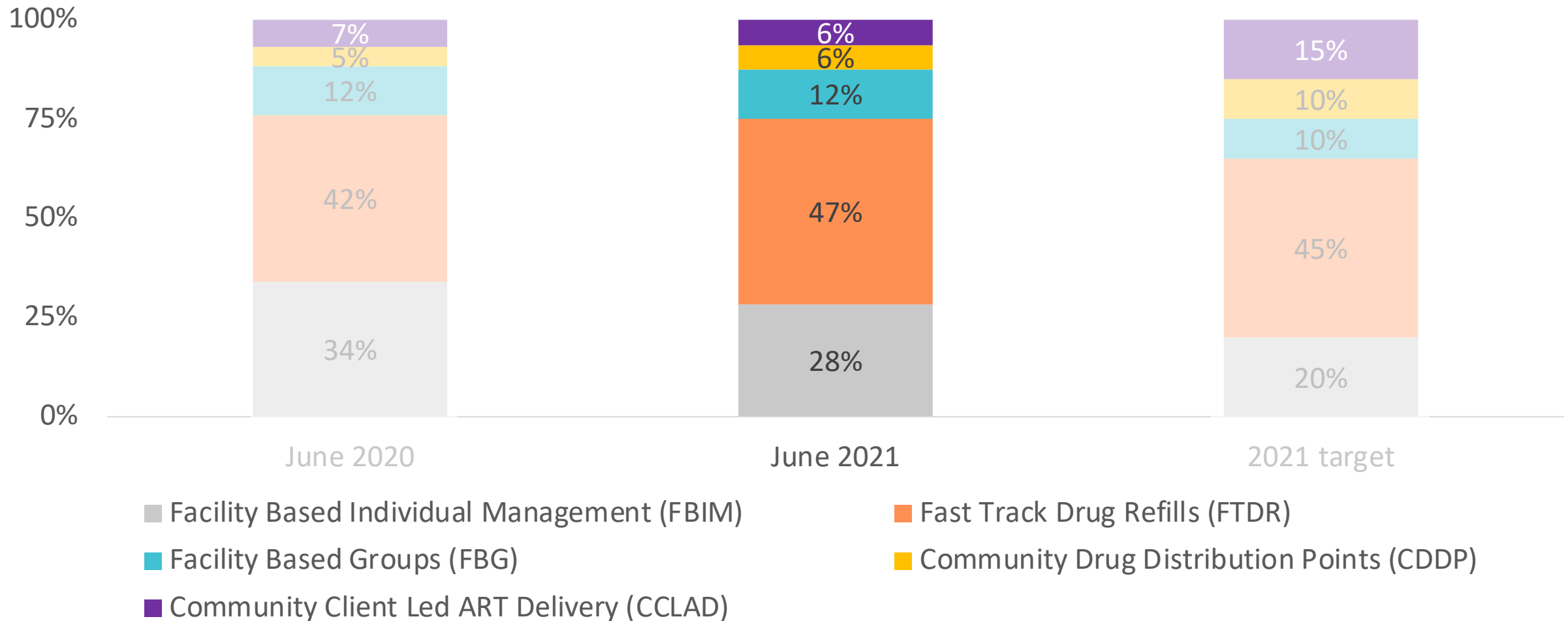
Domain	2017	2018 I	2018 II	2019	2020	2021
Policies						
Guidelines						
Diversity						
Scale-Up Plan						
Coordination						
Community Engagement						
Training						
SOPs/Job Aids						
M&E System						
Facility Coverage*						
Patient Coverage						
Quality						
Impact						

- Over the years we have made steady improvements
- Gaps still exist in Quality and Impact domains
- Quality
  - Set standards not fully adhered to
  - DPR, TSS and DSD dashboard
- Impact
  - No comprehensive evaluation of impact

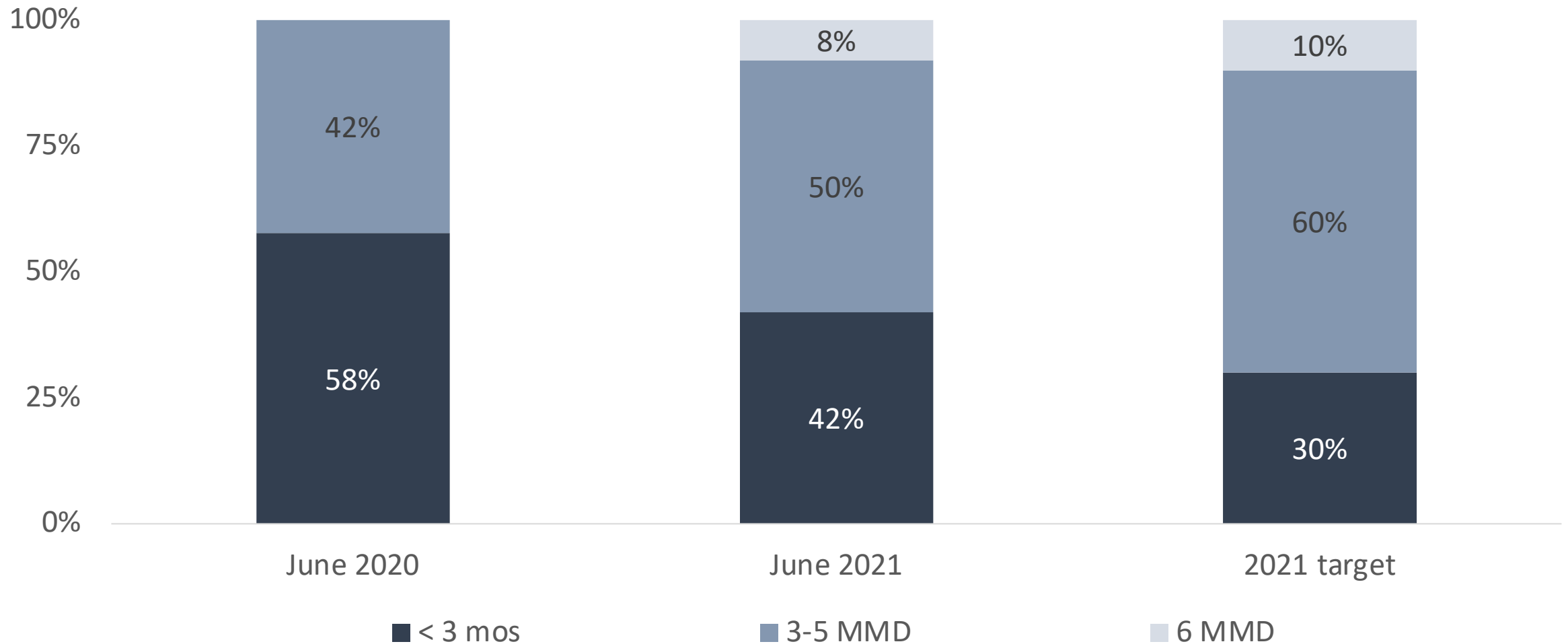
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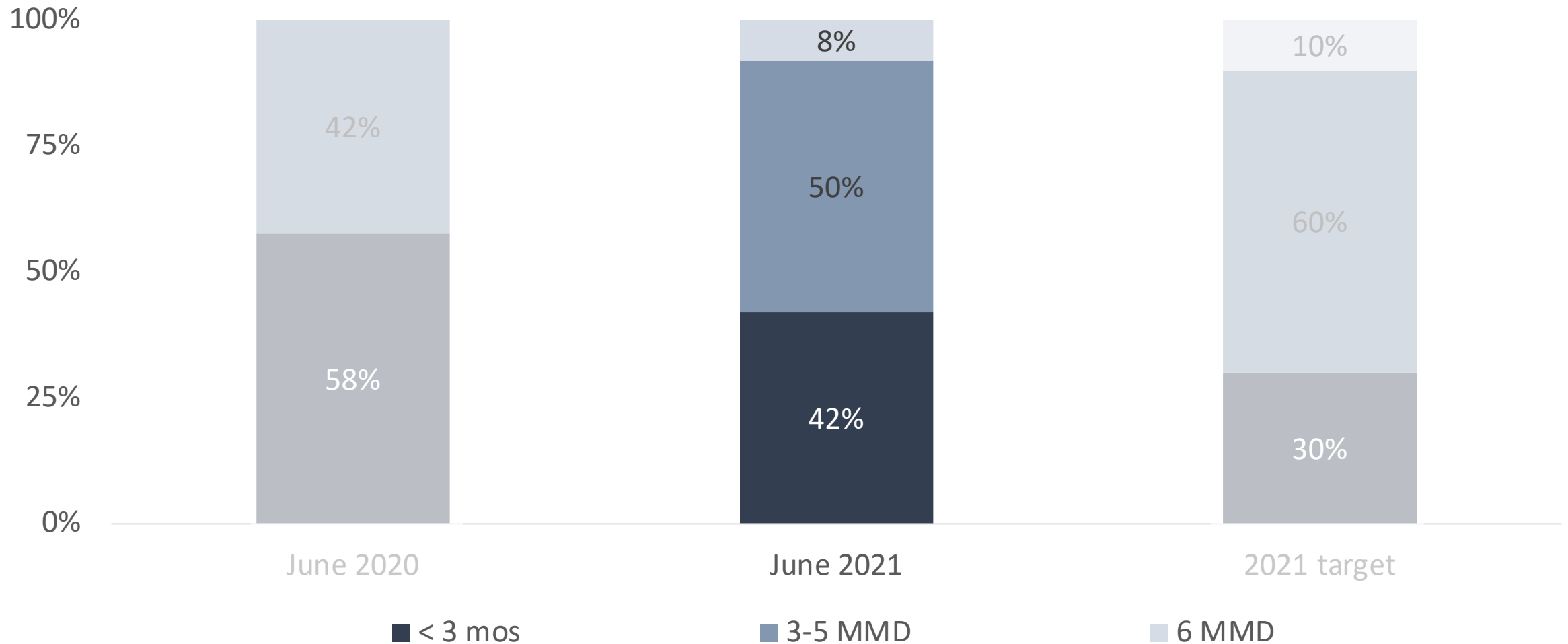
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# Update on CQUIN Action Plan

- **Activities that have been successfully completed include:**
  - ✓ Two rounds of support supervision and mentorship conducted
  - ✓ DSD Performance Review meetings conducted in two regions
  - ✓ One region supported to conduct regional DSD learning sessions
- **Activities that were dropped or still underway include:**
  - ❖ Scale up implementation of Alternative Drug Distribution Points (ADDPs) – Still ongoing
  - ❖ Training untrained sites – 98% trained
  - ❖ Rolling out the treatment literacy manual – National training of trainers conducted

# Were any items added to the action plan midyear?

- **After the Differentiated MNCH meeting in May 2021:**
  - Implement QI projects on MMD at MNCH settings
  - Develop strategies for meaningful engagement of men premised on Mentor Mother Programs and PAMA care model
- **After the Differentiated KP services meeting in August 2021:**
  - Finalize and pilot the DSD for KP toolkit
  - Conduct learning visits to support adaptation of DSD delivery models for KP

# COVID-specific adaptations

- **Policies adapted in response to COVID19**
  - ✓ Multi-month dispensing (MMD) of three to six months for all ROCs regardless of age and viral load.
  - ✓ Clients far from their usual ART facilities, visit any nearby facility for their ART refills.
- **Which of these will be sustained beyond COVID19?**
  - Multi-month dispensing (MMD) of three months for ROCs regardless of whether they are established on ART.

# M&E adaptations made in response to COVID19 and new DSD policies adapted to enhance data reporting

- ❖ Developed a documentation log for ROCs visiting facilities they are not registered at

# Successes

- ❖ Improved DSD data visualization and utilization
  - ✓ Developed a DSD dashboard for visualization of DSD data elements in the Uganda HMIS
  - ✓ DPR and DSD learning sessions
- ❖ Improved DSD model mix
  - ✓ More ROCs on more less intensive models (LIM) than fewer in more intensive models (MIM)
- ❖ Developed implementation guidelines and started rollout of Alternative Drug Distribution Points (ADDPs)
  - ✓ Decongesting facilities
  - ✓ More ROC centered care

# Challenges (other than COVID-19)

- ❑ Limited funding for DSD capacity building activities
  - DPR, DSD learning sessions
  - Support supervision and mentorships
- ❑ Limited integration of DSD M&E components in the national HMIS systems
- ❑ Lack of a comprehensive DSD demand generation package

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# 2022 Goals and Targets – 1

## **By CQUIN's next annual meeting (end-2022):**

- 80% of people on ART will be in less-intensive DSD treatment models
- 25% of PLHIV active on ART enrolled into community based DSD treatment models
- Model mix
  - FBIM – 10%; FBG – 10%; FTDR – 55%; CDDP – 10%; and CCLAD – 15%



# 2022 Goals and Targets - 2

- Plans to integrate NCDs services into less-intensive models
  - Guidelines being developed
- Impact assessment
  - Plan to conduct a comprehensive impact assessment

# 2022 Goals and Targets – 3

- What is the one *most important* DSD-related goal or target in your country's plans for 2022?
  - 80% of PLHIV active on ART enrolled into less intensive DSD treatment models

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