

THE TEN COMPONENT LINKAGE PACKAGE INTERVENTIONS

- 1. Linkage and referral focal points/persons at the Health Facilities/DICEs: Establishment of linkage and referral focal points/persons at facilities
- 2. Same-day ART: Embrace same-day initiation at the facility or the functional DICE or KP-specific outreach or the CDDP.
- **3. ART starter packs**: Use ART starter packs for those identified in community outreaches/Hard to reach areas as well as key and mobile populations/men.
- 4. Physical Escort of clients: Use of Physical Escort of clients by age/sex sensitive peers or peer navigators or appropriate and acceptable linkage facilitators to care and treatment initiation points. Male peers should focus on ensuring successful linkage for men through the Pairing of male linkage facilitators with newly diagnosed HIV+ KP men for more effective linkage to ART among KP men.
- **5. Inter and Intra-Facility referral Forms**: Use of Triplicate INTER and INTRA facility-referral forms as the linkage facilitator's or peers escort clients.
- 6. Physical locator information form: Use a physical locator information form to collect more detailed locator info from all the newly identified positives especially those identified at community testing during community outreaches and other community settings. The CSWs are so mobile and so will need
- 7. Phone call reminders for active follow-up: Use of phone calls and/or home visit follow-up for clients not initiating same day. Every HF should be supported with a phone facility and Airtime for follow-up of clients to ensure effective and successful Linkage to treatment.
- **8. Use of community structures**: Using the community-facility linkages framework model to track, Link, and enroll newly identified clients to ART through the use of a range of applicable community structures including CBOs, peer psychosocial support groups, PLHIV networks, CSOs, MAMA clubs, etc.
- **9. Linkage and PRE-ART register**: Support introduction and use of the Linkage and PRE-ART registers at the HFs to document linkage and track outcomes of linkage.
- **10. Use of data and incorporation of CQI interventions**: Ensure regular review of linkage data at the facility level to inform Linkage programming (including decisions to scale up best practices) and incorporate continuous quality improvement initiatives for sustained improvements in linkage.



