

Supporting Triple Elimination

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Guiding frameworks: HIV, Syphilis, Hepatitis B (Global Guidance)

Malawi has committed to Global frameworks

- **SDG 3:** Good Health and Well-being
- UNAIDS Global AIDS Strategy (2021-2026): Addressing inequalities
- WHO
 - Global Health Sector Strategy on STIs, Viral Hepatitis (2016–2021)
 - Global Guidance on Triple Elimination Of Mother-to-child Transmission Of HIV, Syphilis and Hepatitis B Virus (2021)
- Global frameworks adapted through:
 - **HSSP II** : Towards Universal Health Coverage (UHC)
 - National HIV & AIDS Strategy (2020-2025)
 - Prevention and Management guidelines for Hepatitis B and C (2023)
 - Malawi Viral Hepatitis Implementation Framework (2021-2026)



Performance Progress & Gaps

ANC data to justify investments into STI services and Integration with other services

SYPHILIS SCREENING AND POSITIVITY AT MALAWI 2018 - 2022, N = 3,247,237 ANTENATA



Policy Context for Moving to Triple Elimination

Rationale:

- Accelerate triple elimination of HIV, HBsAg and Syphilis from mother to child according to WHO normative guidance on triple elimination
- Malawi was included among countries to be validated for triple elimination
- To address programmatic gaps in syphilis and hepatitis B testing for ANC women



Steps Taken to integrate HIV, Syphilis & Hep B Rapid Testing

Formation of expert team

Review of emerging issues from Program performance & WHO Normative Guidance

Literature review: evidence & best practices Development of Zero draft guidelines

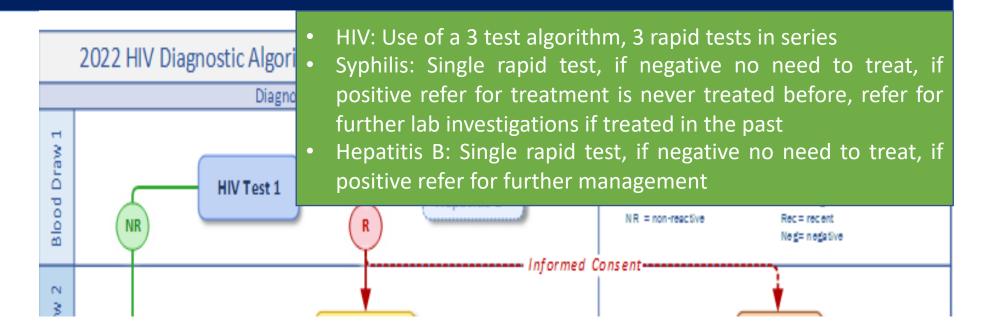
Research, academia, IPs, Medical Specialists, PHIM, MoH Directorates, UN, Civil Society, Service Providers

Presentation & endorsement by EHP TWG

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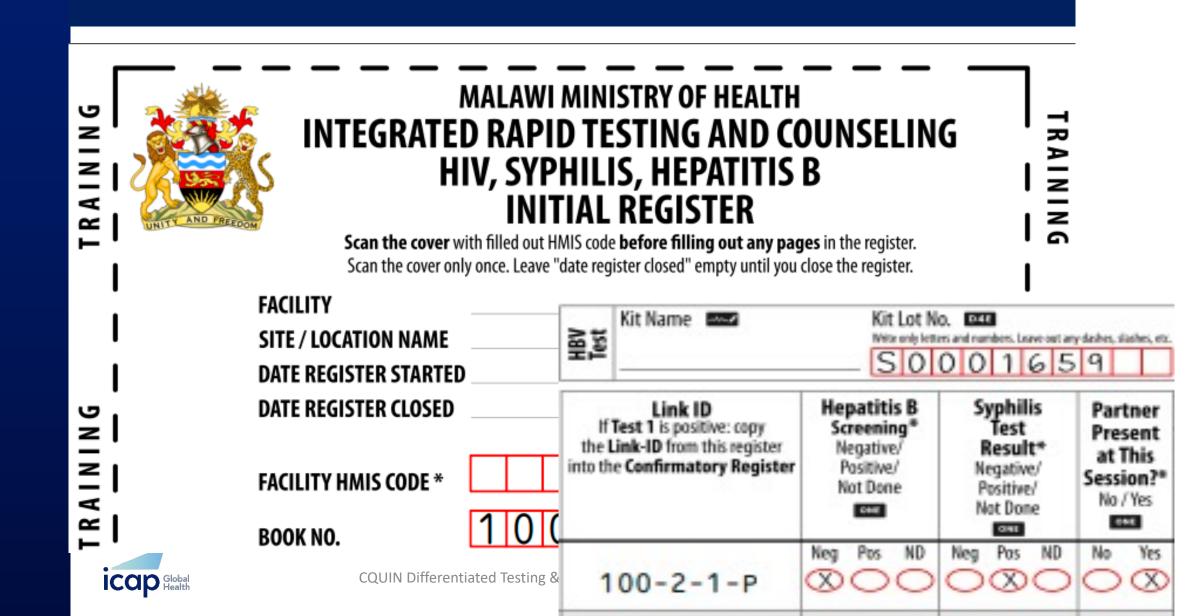
Progress Towards Differentiated HTS



- 5- Months Pilot of 3-Test Algorithm and Scanform technology (M&E Tools & Flow charts in 9 H/F across the Country
- □ Adoption of the recommendations
 - □ Inclusion of triple elimination in the integrated testing guidelines
 - □ Inclusion of syphilis & HepB testing in the testing scan-form registers
- **Quantification of Testing supplies & commodities to support service delivery**
- Orientation of existing testing providers on new policy



Critical Elements for Monitoring Triple Elimination



□ Malawi committed to triple elimination of MTCT of HIV, Syphilis & Hepatitis B

□ Selected to validate triple elimination initiative

□ Achieving and maintaining elimination requires strong political and public health commitment to resilient health systems



HIV Learning Network The CQUIN Project for Differentiated Service Delivery



Thank you!

