

The CQUIN 8th Annual Impact and Strategic Planning Meeting:
Theme: Delivering Impactful and Sustainable Person-Centered HIV Services

Location: Johannesburg, South Africa (Sandton Convention Center)

Dates: 9-13 December 2024

Since its inception in 2017, the HIV Coverage, Quality, and Impact Network ([CQUIN](#)) has evolved into a dynamic, high-impact forum supporting the scale-up of differentiated service delivery (DSD) in Africa. Convened by ICAP at Columbia University with support from the Gates Foundation and partnerships with Ministries of Health and other stakeholders, CQUIN is designed to accelerate the coverage and quality of impactful HIV services to achieve and sustain epidemic control. Key stakeholders include Ministries of Health and recipients of care, represented on CQUIN's Advisory Board alongside the World Health Organization, UNAIDS, the Global Fund, the U.S. President's Emergency Fund for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID), and civil society representatives.

CQUIN promotes rapid cross-fertilization and scale-up of actionable best practices and innovations that are contextualized to country and recipient of care needs and preferences by facilitating country-to-country exchanges, diffusion of innovations, community engagement, and co-creating practical knowledge and tools. The network provides focused technical assistance, supports *ad hoc* data collection and analysis for DSD progress and quality monitoring, and aids transformational changes in policy and practice of HIV services across the continuum.

Because CQUIN countries have made significant progress in DSD, recent activities have focused on integration of services. In the remaining three years of CQUIN 2.0, the network will focus more on the broader scope of person-centered services; mainstreaming quality management of HIV services; timely linkage to prevention services, including PrEP and new long-acting products such as LEN; advanced HIV disease; differentiated testing services to address gaps in all sub-populations, including services for men; re-engagement in care; measuring impact; and efforts towards sustainability.

From December 9-13, 2024, CQUIN will convene all network countries to share implementation progress, performance updates, innovations, impact and challenges of person-centered services (including Quality and Integration), AHD and dHTS. Select countries will share country plans towards sustainable HIV service delivery. Countries will collaboratively plan a portfolio of 2025 priority activities and action plans that reflect the future of person-centered services, enhancing the quality, coverage, and impact of HIV service delivery. A key focus will be on strategies to sustain these efforts.

Key Objectives:

- Review member countries' progress in scaling up high-quality differentiated services using the updated CQUIN dHTS, treatment, Advanced HIV Disease (AHD) capability maturity models (CMM), national data, and case studies.

- Facilitate country plans for integrating concepts of sustainability into HIV service programming by sharing challenges, best practices, and opportunities to enhance long-term viability and local ownership.
- Facilitate the exchange of knowledge, best practices, innovations, resources, and strategies for scaling up person-centered services.
- Highlight the achievements and future plans of the CQUIN communities of practice by discussing current priorities, tools and resources developed, and considerations for future joint learning and co-creation of relevant tools to address gaps.
- Support the development of country-specific action plans and projections for 2025 that align with national health strategies and resource allocation priorities.
- Identify common gaps, challenges, and opportunities for future joint learning and the co-creation of tools and resources while facilitating country-to-country exchange visits to enhance collaboration and support among member countries.

Participants:

The approximately 280 participants attending the meeting represent a mix of stakeholders from all CQUIN network countries, the CQUIN Advisory Group, and global stakeholders. Country teams will include ministries of health, national networks of people living with HIV, donors, development partners, civil society, and academic institutions.

Agenda:

- **Registration & Opening Dinner:** Monday, December 9th (afternoon/evening)
- **Meeting Dates:** Tuesday, December 10th to early afternoon on Friday, December 13th.
- **Sessions:** Plenary and panel discussions, parallel sessions, breakout groups, tools labs, and poster sessions. A detailed agenda will be shared in advance.

Deliverables:

- Updated differentiated treatment and AHD CMM results for each network member country.
- Country-specific action plans that delineate priority interventions, measurable targets for scaling up person-centered services in 2025 and plans for sustainability.
- Comprehensive review and analysis of CMM results and country action plans, to inform and optimize country-specific program strategies and interventions, as well as using the data to inform technical assistance and donor priorities.
- Strategic recommendations for collaborative joint learning and fostering the power of co-created tools and resources across the network.
- CQUIN annual meeting website page, with slides, recordings, and summary reports.