



# Integration of TB and Family Planning Services into HIV Care and Treatment: Uganda's Experience

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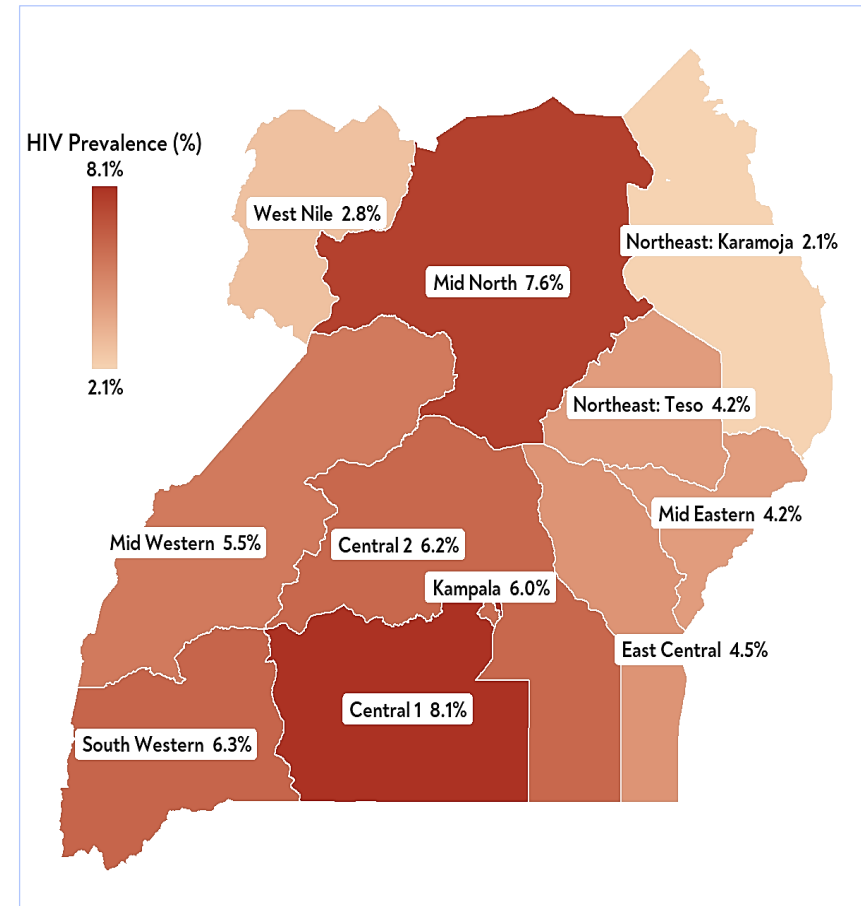
# Outline

- **Introduction**
- **Roadmap to integration of FP & TB into HIV Care**
- **Monitoring activities in the country action plan**
- **Prioritization**
- **Achievements in Advancement of the M&E Domain**
- **Lessons Learned and Recommendations**

# Background and Context: Country HIV Statistics

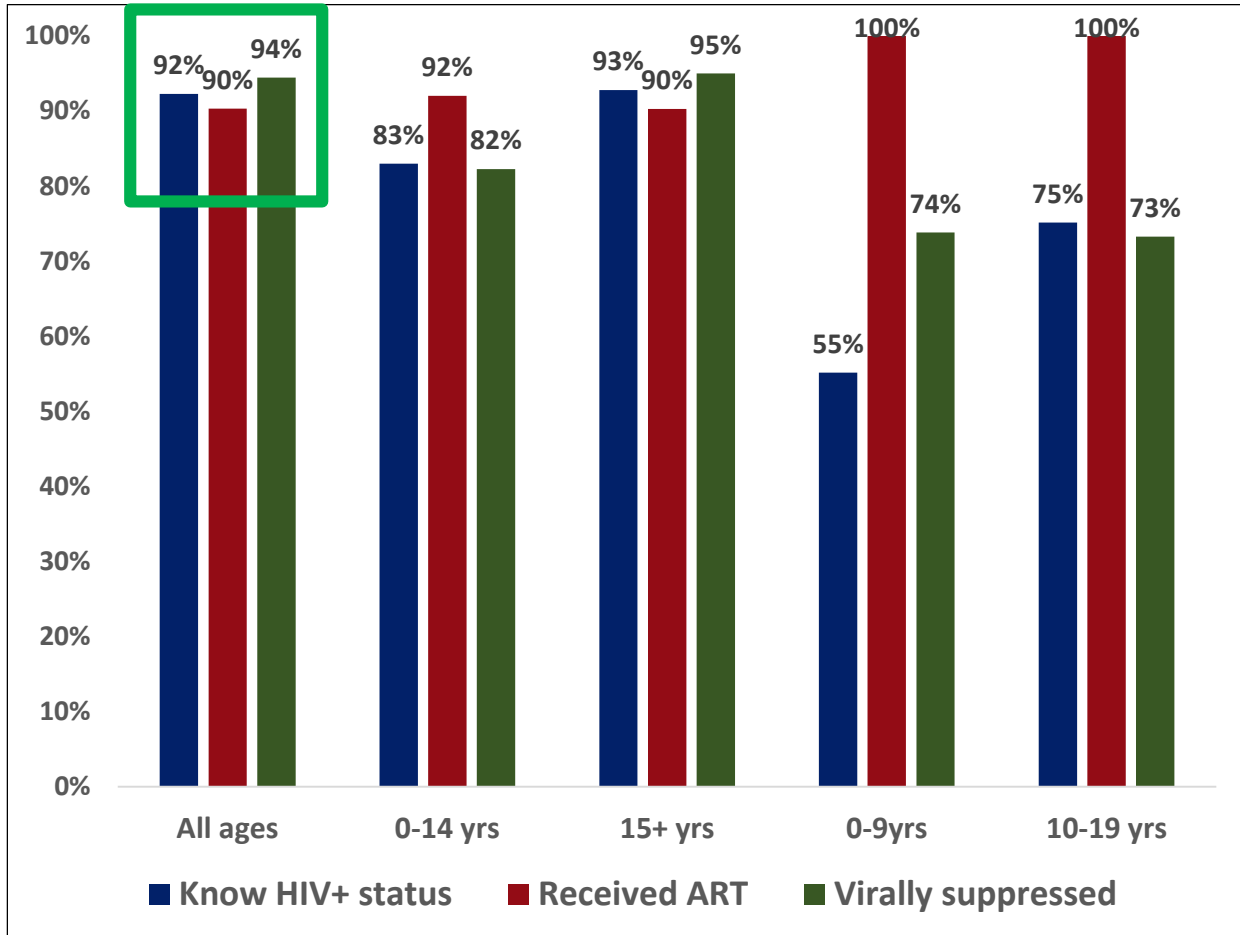
- Estimated PLHIV: **1,453,891** (*Spectrum estimates 2022*)
- HIV prevalence: Overall **5.5%** and **6.0%** among 15-64 years (*UPHIA, 2020*)
  - Women: **7.1%**
  - Men: **3.8%**
- Estimated HIV incidence Adults (aged 15–49 years) **0.17%** (*Spectrum Estimates 2022*)

Prevalence of HIV by region (UPHIA 2020)

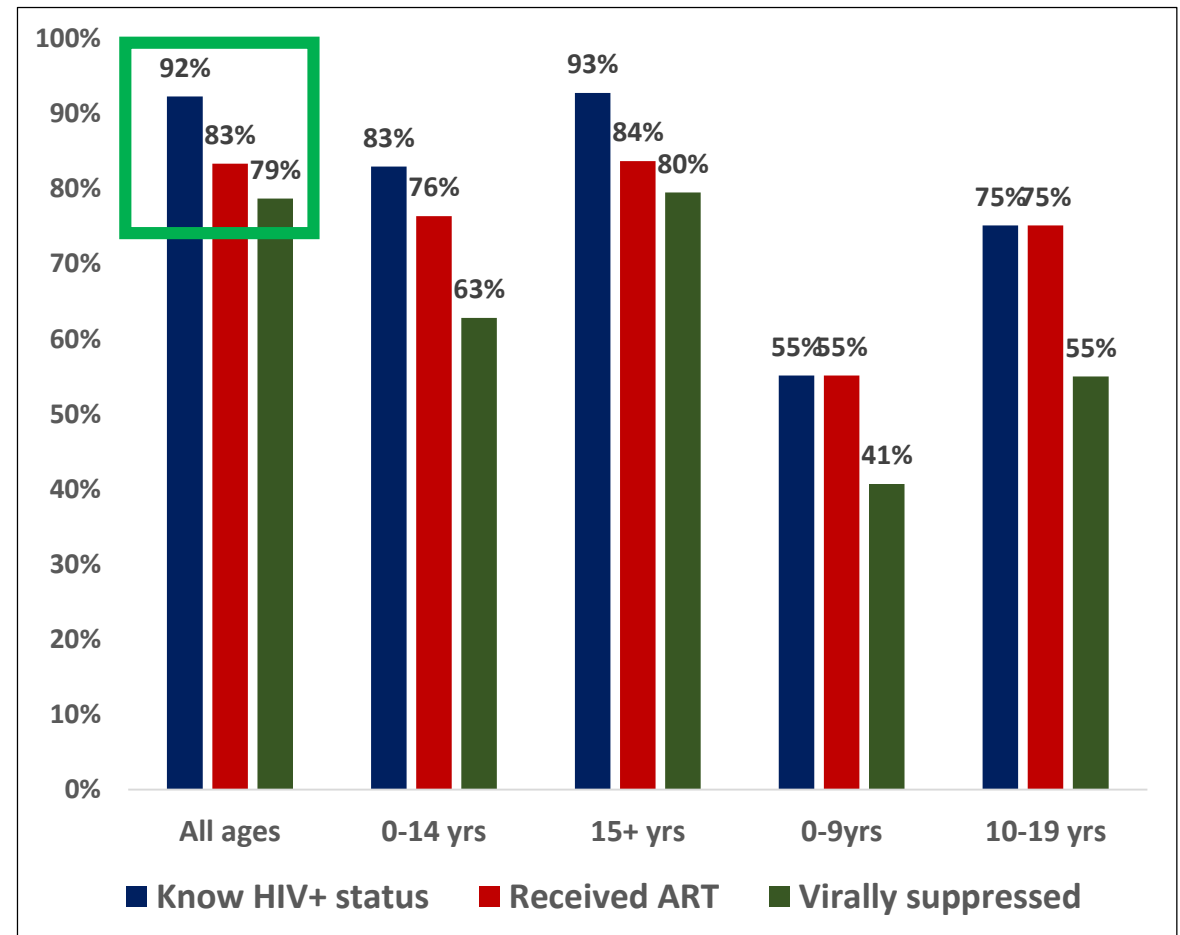


# 95-95-95 Achievements in Uganda – Sept 2024 (Spectrum)

## Conditional Cascade



## Population Cascade



# Roadmap and Progress towards Integration of TB and FP Services into HIV Services

## *Requirements needed*

- Stakeholder engagement and revision of data tools to facilitate recording and reporting of integration of FP and TB services
- Launch of the new HMIS tools
- Capacity building and SOPs development
- National roll-out and printing of new HMIS tools .

## Updates

- Updated HMIS tools that incorporate new data elements across TB and FP programs
- TB program updates done to ensure alignment with updated TB guidelines:
  - Added linkage to Px indicators
  - Expanding reasons for testing on the client card and report.
- FP program updates done to ensure alignment with updated FP guidelines:
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# Development of Action Plans Go Through a Series of Steps

## Stakeholder involvement:

- Mapping: PEPFAR, Other MOH departments, partners, community, are mobilized prior to Country action planning.
- Final FP and TB/HIV country staging results shared with stakeholder for review.

## Validation Process:

- Guidance from the FP and TB/HIV country staging results are reviewed for consensus.
- Use of program data/DHIs/KP tracker etc to inform setting up of priority actions.
- Review and update of the FP, TB and HIV tools.
- Validation of the various action plan with National TGWs.

## Steps in action plan development:

- Mobilization of key stakeholders to participate in action planning (DPs , units at ACP department and others)
- Share action planning guidance with key stakeholders prior to the meeting day.
- Action plan development with key stakeholders.
- Review of the FP/HIV and TB/HIV priorities to guide alignment and prioritization of key least mature domains.
- Presentation of both the staging results and the action plan to the National TWGs for endorsements and prioritization including resource mapping and identification.
- Implementation of the action plan.
- Monitoring of implementation (monthly, quarterly).

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6. Implementation of the country action plan.
7. Monitoring of implementation (monthly, quarterly).



# Monitoring the Action Plan Activities on Integration in Uganda

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Routine use of HMIS and DHIS2 for data capture and reporting</li><li>• Dashboards-Surge dashboard for weekly reporting and monitoring of National performance</li></ul>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Reviews and feedback from the National DSD TWG</li><li>• Monthly/Quarterly/Annual performance review</li><li>• Program reports review</li></ul>



# Challenges and Lessons Learnt

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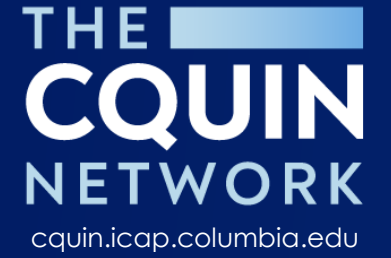
- Prolonged process realized in the review, update and approval of proposed changes for HTS tools
- Competing program priorities and limited resources are hinderances to fast attainment of action plan activities.
- Absence of countries with mature programs that track integration of FP into HIV care and treatment for benchmarking.

## Lessons Learnt:

- Wider stakeholder involvement gives reliable self assessment results & promotes ownership that leads to prioritization of support
- Action planning begins during the staging meeting, **DON'T WAIT!**
- Community involvement at all stages (planning, implementing, and monitoring) is vital in enhancing adoption and ownership of programs and services
- The CMM provides a platform for ranking the country program needs to guide priority setting & resource mobilization.

# Recommendations for Other Countries

- Partner stakeholders' involvement (IPs, ADPS, ROC, Civil Society) results in having reliable self assessment results & promotes ownership
- Engagement of the National TWG leads to prioritization of the gaps identified and the support required. Action planning begins during the staging meeting, DON'T WAIT!
- Prioritize by ranking the key issues identified
- Regular meetings to review progress are key-monthly checks in calls with the teams are helpful, a comprehensive quarterly review is critical
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# Thank You!

