

# Bridging the Gap in Key Populations Funding

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### **Outline**





- Gaps and Risks
- Core program Areas
- Conclusion











### Background and case for prioritization of KP/VP program funding-1

- SA is experiencing a funding conundrum regarding HIV and TB services generally
- Reduction in Government funding and dwindling Donor funds
  - Domestic resource allocations uncoordinated
  - National AIDS spending assessment shows most KP programmes at risk
- Hence need for Sustainability planning to maintain momentum towards achievement of Agenda 2023 and maintaining the response thereafter

#### **HIV Investment Case**

- Conducted to improve allocative efficiency of the available resources
- Identifies the optimal mix of interventions against HIV, based on their cost effectiveness,
   both under the current budget and under an optimal budget









### Background and case for prioritization of KP/VP program funding-2

- Funding should prioritize the most cost-effective interventions such as PrEP, esp. for MSM due to cost-effectiveness
- Funding should support widespread and targeted HIV testing to ensure early diagnosis and linkage to care, particularly for vulnerable populations
  - HTS for adolescents are also identified as cost-effective intervention

#### Other cost-effective areas of funding highlighted

- Comprehensive condom programming to ensure high availability and use among key and vulnerable populations
- Retention in ART particularly for vulnerable populations who may face barriers to continuous treatment
- Optimization of HIV Self-Testing package including secondary distribution to partners of index cases and distribution in HTA is cost-effective strategy

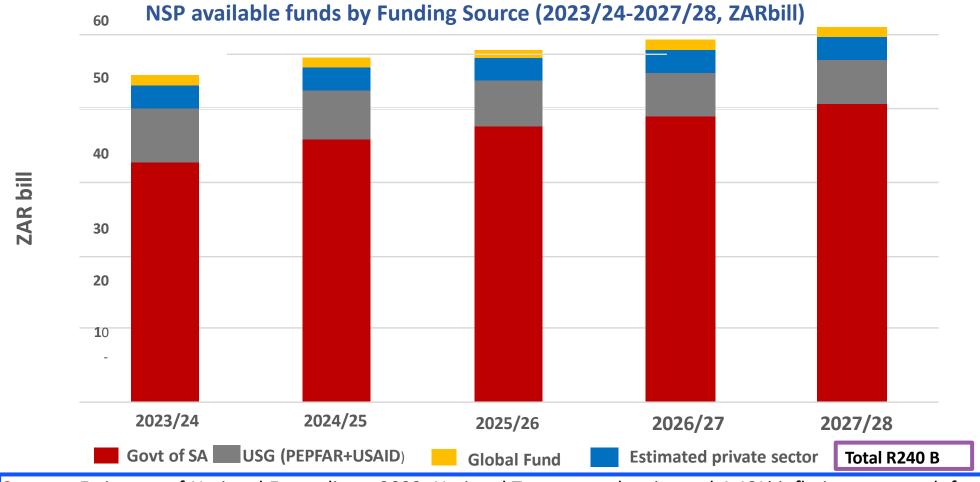








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# Total projected funding available for HIV, TB and STIs in South Africa (2023/24-2027/28, ZARBN)-2

Source of Funds (ZAR billion)	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	% share over period
Govt of SA	33.23	36.45	38.05	39.73	41.48	77.7%
USG (PEPFAR+USAID)	7.45	6.59	6.27	5.95	5.95	13.2%
Global Fund	3.10	3.16	3.09	3.09	3.09	6.4%
Estimated private sector	1.24	1.24	1.29	1.35	1.41	2.7%
Total Available NSP Funds (ZAR bill)	45.02	47.44	48.71	50.13	51.93	100%

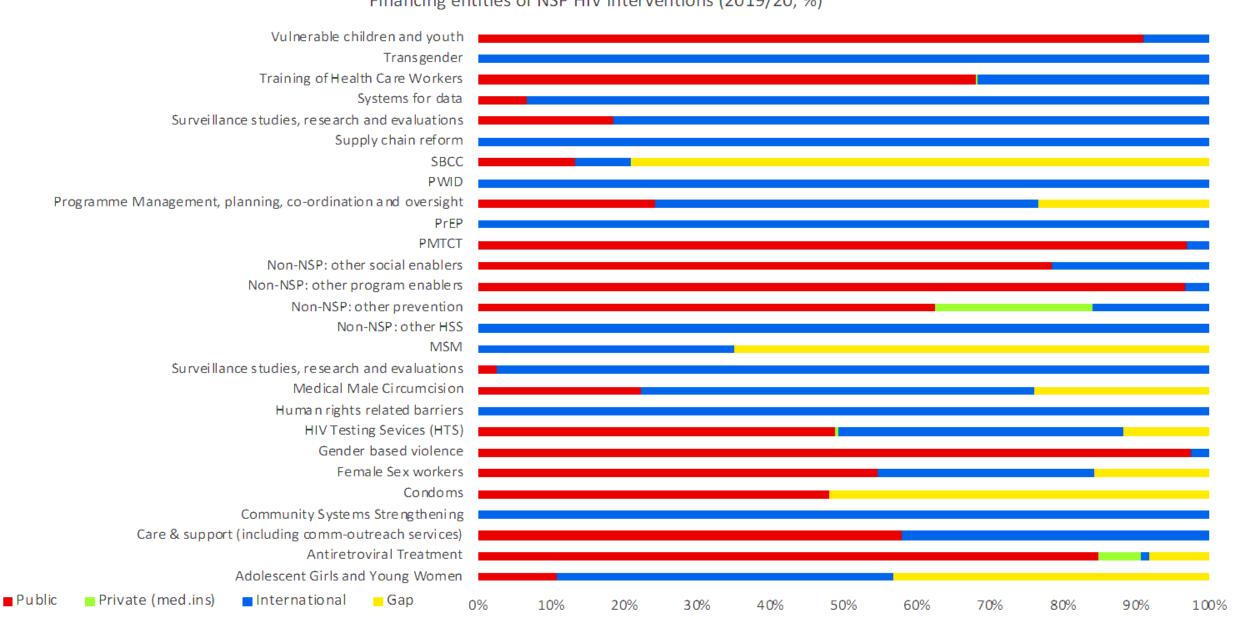
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#### Financing for HIV and NSP interventions by financing entity

Financing entities of NSP HIV interventions (2019/20, %)



### Gaps and risks-1

#### **GAPS**

- Scaling up HIV treatment and care to achieve 95-95-95 targets, which will require significant ART retention initiative
- Scaling up diagnostic testing for STIs for pregnant women and symptomatic clients with VDS and MUS
- Scaling up community-based HIV/SRH services to learners and out of school youth
- Scaling of community-led service delivery, monitoring and advocacy
- Strengthening governance and multi-sectoral co-ordination and management, including civil society
- Scaling up coverage of evidence-based social enablers, including economic strengthening and human rights related activities









### Gaps and risks-2

#### **RISKS**

- High dependence on development partners for: ART care and support (supervision, quality and support)
  - OVMMC
  - Okey populations
  - OAGYW programmes
  - OHuman rights and stigma
  - OHSS: Information systems (data systems)
- Insufficient domestic investment in community-led service providers and community mobilization
- Inefficiencies from delivering vertical programmes for HIV and TB









#### Overview of GC7 HIV & TB modules and interventions

#### **Prevention:**

7 modules by pop. (5KPs + OVP + AGYW & Male sexual partners)

+ 1 module "Prevention program stewardship"

Differentiated HIV Testing Services

Elimination of vertical transmission of HIV, syphilis and hepatitis B (Former PMTCT)

Treatment, care and support

List of repeated priority interventions distributed by modules (by pop.)

- Condom and lubricant programing
- PrEP programming
- HIV prevention communication: information and demand creation
- SRH services, including STIs, HBV, post-violence care
- Community empowerment
- Removing human rights-related barriers to prevention
- Prisoners only: Harm reduction as a stand - alone intervention

· Needle and Syringe programs, incl. HBV and HCV

OST and other medically assisted drug dependence treatment

Overdose prevention and management

Specific to PUD (injecting and noninjecting)

- · Social protection interventions
- CSE for AGYW and **ABYM**
- VMMC

Specific to AGYW & MSP in high incidence settings

One testing module that includes a combination of service delivery modalities and programs, namely

- Facility testing
- · Community testing
- Self-testing

...In programs targeting

- KPs programs (not disaggregated)
- AGYW programs
- Non KPs/Non AGYW programs
- \* EID and ANC captured under Elimination of vertical transmission module

- Testing of pregnant women for HIV, HBV, syphilis\* (ART and COIM treatment under treatment module)
- HIV prevention among HIV megative pregnant and breastfeeding women
  - Post-natal infant prophylaxis EID and follow-up HIV testing for exposed infants
- Retention support to pregnant and breastfeeding women (facility and community)

- · HIV treatment and differentiated service delivery
- Adults (15 and above) · HIV treatment and
- differentiated service delivery - Children (under 15)
- · Treatment monitoring Drug resistance
- · Treatment monitoring Viral load and ARV toxicity
- · Integrated management of common co-infections comorbidities (adults and children)
- Diagnosis and management of advanced disease (adults and children)

Reducing Human Rights related barriers to HIV/TB services

- Community mobilization and advocacy for human rights
- Increasing access to justice
- •Ensuring nondiscriminatory provision of health care
- •Improving laws, regulations and polices relating to HIV and HIV/TB
- Legal literacy
- •Reducing HIV-related gender discrimination, harmful gender norms and violence against women and girls in all their diversity
- •Ensuring rights-based law enforcement practices
- •Eliminating stigma and discrimination in all settings

#### TB/HIV

- TB/HIV collaborative activities
- · Screening, testing and diagnosis
- Treatment
- Prevention
- Community TB/HIV care delivery
- TB Key populations



**Cross-cutting Modules** (i.e. RSSH, Program Management)

# Ensuring sufficient resources KP/PP, including children, and AGYW

Initiative & Program Controls	COP 23	COP 23 Y2	% Change
Total	456,638,372	439,537,828	- 4%
Core Program	315,614,894	306,610,361	-3%
VMMC	35,560,800	30,026,354	-15%
OVC (Non-DREAMS)	18,415,168	21,124,716	15%
DREAMS	79,865,010	77,556,397	-3%
Community Lea Monitoring	3,500,000	3,500,000	0%
<b>LIFT UP Equity Initiative</b>	3,000,000	N/A	N/A
KP Survey	682,500	720,000	5%

Earmark	<b>COP 23</b>	COP 23 Y2	% Change
C&T	240,267,869	231,876,314	-3%
OVC	88,271,266	85,665,836	-3%
GBV	15,252,429	15,531,188	2%
Water	2,259,072	2,259,072	0%

Targeted Beneficiaries	<b>COP 23</b>	COP 23 Y2	% Change
Key Populations	29,701,197	28,904,216	-3%
Children	15,491,818	18,622,073	20%

- Core Program includes all other activities not listed here as initiative and program controls
- TB HIV funding \$17,396,601 is included in Core Program
- Increased Paeds budget will cover extension of services to the communities, case management, family centered models, and monitoring of pDTG transition.

### Conclusion

- Ensuring adequate funding for HIV and TB key and priority populations remains a cornerstone for achievement of the 2030 goals for SA
- Whist there is significant Government funding, gaps remain in HSS and programmes for Adolescent and Young People, despite being cost effective and impactful
- Integration of services, civil society involvement and inclusive management practices are required to optimise the use of existing resources
- A KP focussed resource mobilisation strategy is required to also ensure domestic resourcing for key and vulnerable populations









### End...

# "The People's NSP"

Towards eliminating HIV, TB and STIs as public health threats

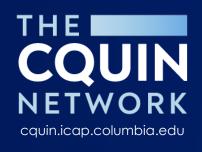












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