





WORLD AIDS DAY 2020

National Workshop to build capacity for HIV/Viral Hepatitis response during COVID-19 pandemic

Global Solidarity, Shared Responsibility



HIV, Epatit ek KOVID-19: Annou dyaloge







Group 5: PRIVATE SECTOR







What went well?

Prevention

Testing readily available in private clinics. Results quickly available.

Treatment

Free treatment to all should continue









What went less well?

Prevention

If there is positive results ALL is to be referred to MOH for confirmation. Clients may be lost to follow up.

Condom distribution in the workplace especially where there are health and safety officers

Treatment

PREP and PEP still not available to in private sector.

After testing is over no follow up of patients because results are not relayed back to the private clinic.









Reasons why things did not go well

FACTORS LINKED TO CLIENTS/PATIENTS

HIV/AIDs treatment is not seen as a priority to patients. This perception should change.

Perception that healthcare staff are not people oriented-reluctance to attend treatment

FACTORS LINKED TO HEALTH SERVICES / PROVIDERS

Services still centralized.

Decentalisation of services- Aparently planned for years but no effort made in this direction

24 hours service for PREP and PEP not available.





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What can we do to improve the HIV, AIDS & Viral Hepatitis response?

Ministry of Health

Needs to engage all its partners.

NGO/ Civil Society / Private Sector

Needs to feel that it is being engaged by government sector

Condom distribution needs to improve

Community

Needs to understand its role as a important stakeholder

Individuals/Others









Way forward

Short-term (3-6 months)

Capacity building to provide rapid testing at par with private sector.

Medium term (6 months – 1 year)

Key population at risk needs to be identified and service delivery needs to be focused towards them- focus of resources.

Long-Term (after 1 year, if applicable)

NAC needs to fulfill its mandate as the main regulator actor in the sector and fullfill the targets it set itself in the national strategic plan and not wait for the midterm review in 2021.

