OUR STRATEGY
To contribute to achieving the UNAIDS 90-90-90 goals in Central Asia, the Project focuses its efforts on two key components: Case Detection to find undiagnosed HIV cases and Case Management for antiretroviral therapy (ART) initiation and adherence in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, and Tajikistan.

PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS

USAID CENTRAL ASIA FLAGSHIP ACTIVITY

PROJECT YEAR 3 RESULTS

To reduce new HIV infections and HIV-related deaths in Central Asian countries.

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<td>New HIV cases identified</td>
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<td>People Living with HIV (PLHIV) received community-based adherence support</td>
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<td>PLHIV started life-saving treatment</td>
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<td>PLHIV re-initiated life-saving treatment</td>
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<td>Lost to follow up clients found</td>
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In Year 3, the Project strengthened its efforts of testing PLHIV partners using the Assisted Partner Notification approach. This resulted in testing 5,922 PLHIV partners and finding 473 new cases (first test result).

The Project also expanded its case finding activities to a new target group – Men Who Have Sex with Men in Bishkek and Dushanbe. The Project tested 5,707 MSM and 101 of them received their first positive results.

Flagship supported a range of community-based case management services for building treatment adherence among PLHIV:

- Intensive individual and group support to initiate or re-initiate treatment.
- Screening for TB symptoms.
- Diagnosis of sexually-transmitted infections.
- Referral to medication-assisted therapy.
- Support services for victims of gender-based violence.

The team developed a set of one-pagers for peer navigators with key messages and created a short video on ART to better explain the advantages of treatment.

Flagship publications

The article “Social Network Methods for HIV Case-Finding among People Who Inject Drugs in Tajikistan” that outlines key findings from the implementation of the project case finding approaches in Tajikistan was published in the Journal of International AIDS Society. Additionally, the article has been selected for discussion during a special satellite session at the 22nd International AIDS conference in Amsterdam.

Introducing the mobile application for data entry

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