PEPFAR Safety Monitoring: Global Adverse Event Reporting and Response

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VMMC and Safety

- Prevention intervention in young, healthy males
- Safety paramount, continued vigilance crucial
- AEs a reality in the context of MC
 - provider error
 - screening error
 - client/parent misinformation or behavior
 - none of the above
- Temporal but not causal association
- AE identification and reporting enables programs to learn and improve programs
- Processes country-defined; meant to support MOH

PEPFAR Resources for Safety Assurance

- Informative tools
- External quality assessment
- SIMS
- Continuous quality improvement
- Notifiable AE surveillance

- Informative tools
 - procedural guide
 - standardized definitions and classifications
 - AE recognition, prevention and management
 - WHO guidance documents
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- Informative tools
- External quality assessment/SIMS
 - adherence to global quality standards
 - site and staff characteristics
 - equipment and supplies information
 - quality of services
 - quality of data
- SIMS
- Continuous quality improvement
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- Informative tools
- External quality assessment
- SIMS
 - Consent
 - Linkage to care and treatment
 - AE management and documentation
 - Clinical follow up
 - QA/QI
- Continuous quality improvement
- Notifiable AE surveillance

- Informative tools
- External quality assessment
- SIMS
- Continuous quality improvement
 - ongoing internal assessment at site-level
 - focused on site, or team, depending on service delivery model
 - each site evaluates its own situation and decides which changes can most improve service delivery
 - fosters a culture of improvement
- Notifiable AE surveillance

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 - track serious AEs and death
 - review management
 - determine relatedness to MC
 - identify rare but serious events
 - communicate to stakeholders, eg WHO

Notifiable AEs 2014-16

AEs	Number
Total	105
Related to MC	84
Deaths (tetanus)	8
Bleeding	19
Necrotising infections	23
debridement	18
skin graft	6
Tetanus	10
Fistula	12
Injury	30

Lessons and Actions: Examples

Finding	Action(s)
Single use kit quality	Quality improvementEncourage use of reusable kits
Inadequate pain control	Standardized anesthetic dosing
Undiagnosed bleeding disorders	Enhanced screeningEarlier referral
Necrotising infections	Broad spectrum antibioticsNeed for debridement
Tetanus	 Better coverage for males Assure protection with PrePex Enhanced wound care counseling
Glans injury with FG in <15 years	 Mandate DS for <15 years
No emergency equipment or training	 Equipment and training added
No parental consent for minors	 Policy RE consent for minors
Poor/inconsistent documentation	Standard forms and training