**Transitioning to sustainable voluntary medical male circumcision services:**

**The Zambia experience**

**WHO Project ECHO cased based webinar**

**10 December 2020**

# Scope and Agenda

**Date: Thursday, 10 December 2020**

**Time: 1430hrs – 1630hrs CET/GVA**

**Meeting link: To be added**

# Background

In August 2020, WHO published updated and new guidance, ‘Preventing HIV through safe voluntary medical male circumcision for adolescent boys and men in generalized HIV epidemics: recommendations and key considerations’. Informed by reviews of the evidence, the new WHO guidelines provide policy recommendations and programme considerations on voluntary medical male circumcision (VMMC) within combination HIV prevention, younger adolescents, use of device-based male circumcision methods, enhancing service uptake among men and transitioning towards sustainable services with an adolescent focus.

Following the virtual dissemination of the guidelines, feedback has been received by users on areas for further support to promote dissemination and use of the WHO guidelines. One area highlighted was on support towards transitioning to sustainable services.

This session gives an overview of the WHO framework for transitioning to sustainability. It gives a country specific example, from Zambia, of the process involved in transitioning and will allow for country learning and sharing of challenges and best practice solutions.

# Objectives

This session has the following objectives:

* To describe and give an overview of the WHO framework for transitioning to sustainability
* To share a country example of the process of transitioning to sustainable VMMC services
* To engage partners on actions and considerations needed to move towards sustaining VMMC services.

**Agenda**

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| **Webinar – Transitioning to sustainable VMMC services: The Zambia experience (10 December 2020)** | |
| **Moderator – Fabian Ndenzako, WHO AFRO** | |
| **Time (CET/Geneva)** | **Topic and presenter** |
| 14.30 – 14.40 (10 minutes) | Opening remarks and housekeeping – **Fabian Ndenzako, WHO AFRO** |
| 14.40 – 14.50 (10 minutes) | Overview of WHO framework on sustainability – **Wole Ameyan, WHO HQ**  **POLL QUESTION** |
| 14.50 – 15.00 (10 minutes) | Case presentation - Transitioning to sustainable VMMC services: A country case example, Part 1 – **Mr. Royd L. Kamboyi - VMMC Program Officer, Ministry of Health, Zambia** |
| 15.00 – 15.10 (10 minutes) | Q and A: Overall theme – **Reflections and experiences on critical elements to consider when transitioning to sustainable VMMC services**   * **Dr. Albert Kaonga, HIV Prevention Program Manager, Ministry of Health, Zambia** * **Mr. Trevor Mwamba - Senior Programme Manager, HIV prevention, Clinton Health Access Initiative, Zambia** |
| 15.10 – 15.20 (10 minutes) | Case presentation - Transitioning to sustainable VMMC services: A case for integrated adolescent health service delivery Part 2 – **Dr. Albert Kaonga, HIV Prevention Program Manager, Ministry of Health, Zambia**  **Questions and Answers (Part 1 and Part 2)** |
| 15.20 – 15.30 (10 minutes) | Group work: Towards solutions for transitioning to sustainable VMMC services – 3 critical actions needed **(Low hanging, Higher hanging, enablers)** for leadership, service delivery and strategic information.  Instructions and introduction to group work template, group chairs - **Wole Ameyan, WHO HQ** |
| 15.30 – 16.10 (40 minutes) | **GROUP WORK – Break out into zoom rooms** |
| 16.10 – 16.20 (10 minutes) | Feedback from group work   * **Poll Everywhere** * **Facilitator feedback** |
| 16.20 – 16.25 (5 minutes) | Assessing sustainability and sustainability tools for next year. – **Wole Ameyan, WHO HQ** |
| 16.25 – 16.30 (5 minutes) | Closing – **Chitembo Lastone, WHO Zambia and** **Fabian Ndenzako, WHO AFRO** |
| **End of session** | |