

BMGF Activities in Male Circumcision

Joint PEPFAR-WHO meeting on accelerating the scale up of voluntary medical male circumcision (VMMC) for HIV Prevention in East and Southern Africa

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BMGF MC strategy

- To respond to the roles and responsibilities outlined in the Joint Strategy action Framework to Accelerate the Scale Up of MMC for HIV Prevention in Eastern and Southern Africa

- **BMGF involvement in pillars :**
 - **Pillar 1. Leadership and advocacy (cultivate champion)****
 - Pillar 2. Country implementation
 - **Pillar 3. Innovation for scale-up (devices)****
 - Pillar 4. Communication (grass-roots communication)
 - Pillar 5. Resources mobilization
 - **Pillar 6. Monitoring and evaluation****
 - Pillar 7. Coordination and accountability

1. Research

- **Rakai-JHU**
 - MC in HIV infected men-Safety, transmission of HIV to uninfected females
 - MC effect on non HIV STIs
 - Behavior post MC
 - MC effect on population incidence of HIV
- **Nyanza-Male Circumcision Consortium (U of Ill, FHI, EngenderHealth)**
 - Behavior post MC
 - MC effect on VL, shedding and healing in HIV infected men
- **Orange Farm- Naturalia and Biologica**
 - MC effect on non HIV STIs
 - Behavior post MC

2. Policy and Guidance

■ UNAIDS

- Modeling consortium
- Preparatory meetings with MOH MC Task Forces

■ WHO

- Preparation of normative guidance
- Device PQ qualifications and process

■ CHAI

- Development of operational plan for Zambia MOH
- Support to the MOH-Zambia to coordinate national MC scale up

3. Implementation

- **Male Circumcision Consortium: Nyanza**
 - Training
 - Operations research
 - Assist MOH
- **MC service delivery in Zambia, Zimbabwe: PSI**

4. MC Devices

- **Landscape analysis**
- **Stakeholder consultation**
- **Biomedical engineering assessment**
- **Clinical trials**
 - **Shang Ring : Zambia (FHI 360), Kenya (MCC)**
 - **Prepex : Zimbabwe, Mozambique (PSI)**
 - **Accucirc : Zimbabwe (PSI)**
- **Rwanda-Discussions (RBC)**
 - **Active + Passive surveillance of initial PrePex scale up**
 - **Adolescent clinical trial**

5. Early Infant Male Circumcision

- Literature review of safety in African settings
- Accucirc RCT and implementation study, Zimbabwe
(PSI)

6. Demand Creation

■ Kenya /Nyanza (UNC-IRDO)

- Compensation for transport costs and lost wages with VMMC
- Increase demand among men > 25 years
- Leveraging through PEPFA service delivery

■ Zimbabwe (Grassroot soccer)

MC Uptake Through Soccer (MCUTS): a cluster-randomized trial in Zimbabwe

■ Innovative demand creation strategies and rapid impact evaluation (3ie – in process)

Evidence-based program design for increasing VMMC demand

Thank you for your attention!