

## Joint UN Teams and Programmes on AIDS

The establishment of Joint UN Teams on AIDS has emerged within the larger context of both UN reform and international efforts to improve aid effectiveness, including the Paris (2003) and Rome (2005) Declarations on aid harmonization.

In March 2005, a Global Task Team on improving AIDS coordination among multilateral institutions and international donors was formed at the request of leaders from governments, civil society, UN agencies, and other multilateral and international institutions who met in London to review the global response to AIDS under the theme, "Making the Money Work: The Three Ones in Action."

The imperative to create Joint UN Teams on AIDS comes directly from the recommendations of the Global Task Team report issued in June 2005. These recommendations were subsequently endorsed by the United Nations General Assembly during the 2005 World Summit. In December 2005, the UN Secretary-General wrote to UN Resident Coordinators directing them to establish Joint UN teams on AIDS and to develop Joint UN Programmes of Support on AIDS.

The purpose of the Joint UN Team on AIDS is to promote coherent and effective UN action in support of an expanded national response to HIV. It is also expected to constitute an entry point for national stakeholders to access technical assistance from the UN system. The Joint UN programme of Support on AIDS describes the entirety of the UN's strategic support to the national response to AIDS.

### Resources:

#### Tools:

Toolkit for Joint UN Teams and Joint UN Programmes of Support on AIDS

<http://www.uncares.org/toolkit/index.html>

This toolkit is intended to assist UN agencies, funds, and programmes at the country level, as part of the UN system, to improve coordination, coherence and effectiveness of joint activities on AIDS.

Eastern and Southern Africa RST: Toolkit on Joint UN Teams on AIDS with a Joint UN Programme of Support on AIDS (March 2008)

[http://www.unaidsrستا.org/Documents/unaids\\_toolkit/intro.html](http://www.unaidsrستا.org/Documents/unaids_toolkit/intro.html)

Frequently Asked Questions on Joint UN Teams and Programmes

[http://data.unaids.org/pub/BaseDocument/2007/2007\\_faqs\\_joint\\_un\\_teams\\_and\\_programmes\\_en.pdf](http://data.unaids.org/pub/BaseDocument/2007/2007_faqs_joint_un_teams_and_programmes_en.pdf)



Letter from the United Nations Secretary-General to UN Resident Coordinators (12 December 2005)

[http://data.unaids.org/pub/BaseDocument/2005/20051212\\_unsg\\_jointunteams\\_en.pdf](http://data.unaids.org/pub/BaseDocument/2005/20051212_unsg_jointunteams_en.pdf)

**Publications:**

Joint UN programmes and teams on AIDS - Country Briefs, October 2007 (pdf, 285 Kb)

[http://data.unaids.org/pub/BaseDocument/2007/200710\\_joint\\_unteams\\_programmes\\_country\\_briefs\\_en.pdf](http://data.unaids.org/pub/BaseDocument/2007/200710_joint_unteams_programmes_country_briefs_en.pdf)

Second Guidance Paper: Joint UN programmes and teams on AIDS. Practical guidelines on implementing effective and sustainable joint teams and programmes of support (pdf, 700 Kb)

[http://data.unaids.org/pub/Manual/2008/JC1512\\_second\\_guidance\\_paper\\_en.pdf](http://data.unaids.org/pub/Manual/2008/JC1512_second_guidance_paper_en.pdf)

Guidance Paper: Proposed Working Mechanisms for Joint UN Teams on AIDS at Country Level (pdf, 465 Kb)

[http://data.unaids.org/pub/Manual/2007/jc1325\\_jointu\\_teams\\_en.pdf](http://data.unaids.org/pub/Manual/2007/jc1325_jointu_teams_en.pdf)