

PRESS STATEMENT

UNAIDS congratulates Namibia on increasing access to treatment

Seventy-seven per cent of all adults living with HIV are virally suppressed in Namibia

AMSTERDAM/GENEVA, 26 July 2018—UNAIDS welcomes new survey data showing that 77% of all adults living with HIV in Namibia are virally suppressed. The Namibia Population-Based HIV Impact Assessment (NAMPHIA) survey included 24 000 people from 0–64 years old. Participants were offered HIV counselling and testing as well as linkage to care and treatment for people who tested positive for HIV.

“Namibia’s concerted efforts to reach people with HIV testing and treatment are producing extraordinary results,” said Michel Sidibé, Executive Director of UNAIDS. “UNAIDS will continue to support Namibia in reaching all people living with HIV with testing and treatment and in boosting Namibia’s HIV prevention efforts to further bring down new HIV infections.”

NAMPHIA was a widespread household HIV survey funded by the Government of the United States of America and conducted by the Centres for Disease Control and Prevention, Columbia University and local government and nongovernmental partners from June to December 2017.

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