UNAIDS STRATEGY REVIEW:
Focus Group Synthesis template

Country: Kenya

Organizer: National AIDS Control Council (NACC)

Date of discussion: 31st August 2020
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Please use the template to organize your feedback from the session. Please keep responses succinct and as clear as possible to ensure our synthesis is a reflection of the focus groups hosted.

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Section one: Information about the focus group (to be completed by host of Focus Group)

Organization leading discussion: UNAIDS Kenya Office

Date of discussion: 31st August 2020

Theme to be discussed: Kenya progress with Fast track targets

Participants (types of organizations participating):

- Adolescents and young people living with HIV
- Adolescents and young people affected by HIV

Country, regional or global focus: Country focus

Introducing the theme

Please enter the main characteristics of the theme being explored in 5 sentences (please share the presentation if possible by email)

- Challenges with implementation of current strategy – fast track targets
- What needs to be prioritized in the next 5 years?
- What are the barriers that COVID 19 has introduced in the response
- ...


### Section one: People centered response to HIV – key emerging issues

#### REACHING THE PERSON

| What has worked well | • Support Groups  
|                      | • Creative spaces/art e.g. Shuga  
|                      | • Involving young people in policy development spaces  
|                      | • Political leaders being part of the discussion  
|                      | • Digital engagement  
|                      | • Integration of services through concerts  
|                      | • Capacity building session especially through peer to peer education  
|                      | • Training young people as champions |

| Gaps and Challenges | • Youth led organizations inability to access resources  
|                     | • Youth led organizations not being deeply involved in the response  
|                     | • Youth led organizations lacking knowledge in justice and human rights |

| What was not done well | • Service uptake and adherence needs more improvement |

| What needs to be done differently | • Youth led organizations from rural and ASAL counties to be able to access grants for implementation  
|                                  | • Capacity building and meaningful engagement at grassroot level  
|                                  | • Access to information and SRHR through youth friendly centers. The centers should be well equipped.  
|                                  | • To make medicines cheaper for the youth  
|                                  | • To use social media to reach to young people  
|                                  | • To equip the youths with their rights  
|                                  | • To involve young people who do not specifically work in SRHR and have yearly training for those who have knowledge in SRHR to sharpen their skills |

#### THE STRUCTURES THAT RESPOND TO HIV

| Gaps and challenges | • National structures are not well devolved  
|                     | • Limited number of youth-led organizations in the response  
|                     | • National implementors not working with young KPs  
|                     | • UNAIDS only felt in Nairobi but not in other counties |

| What was not done well | • Youth organizations feel that to reach out to NASCOP successfully, it will have to be through BLAST  
|                       | • There is a disconnect between NACC, NASCOP and the development partners |

| What needs to be done differently | • Need to strengthen structures at county level  
|                                  | • To have a proper coordination of AYPs in the response  
|                                  | • To synergize efforts of various AYP programmes rather than working in silos  
|                                  | • The youth to be trained on how to manage their own programmes  
|                                  | • To have a one stop shop for AYP programmes and organizations for possible partnership with development partners and other national implementors |
- To have a structure that will enable every youth led organizations to access grants
- To teach young people how to manage grants and make a positive impact

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| **What needs to be done differently** | To support children and adolescents  
- To have the private sector develop and have intervention for young people at places of work  
- Religious sector to be key allies for young people in the response  
- To have interventions at tertiary/higher institutions of education  
- To have more young people in decision making tables  
- To check on how to evaluate on activities implemented  
- To incentivize the grassroot organizations in terms of implementation |