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# UNAIDS STRATEGY REVIEW: Focus Group Synthesis template

**Country:** Kenya

**Organizer:** Kenya Health Federation (KHF)

**Date of discussion:** 27<sup>th</sup> 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: 27<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**Theme to be discussed: Kenya progress with Fast track targets**

**Participants (types of organizations participating):**

- **Private sector**
- ...
- ...
- ...

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

<b>REACHING PEOPLE</b>	
<b>What has worked well</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Accessible free ART</li> <li>• HIV mainstreaming within the private sector</li> </ul>
<b>Gaps and challenges</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engagement of the Private sector in HIV service delivery, utilization of stipulated guidelines and reporting needs to be strengthened</li> </ul>
<b>What needs to be done differently</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Local innovation –recognize local manufacturers and provide tax rebates for them</li> <li>• Strengthen multi-sectoral coordination that includes Private sector partnerships to leverage on private sector’s service provision/outreach country wide.</li> </ul>

<b>STRUCTURES THAT RESPOND TO HIV</b>	
<b>What has worked well</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Existence of private sector coordination networks such as Kenya Health Sector Federation (KHF)</li> </ul>
<b>Gaps and challenges</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Private sector unable to feed in the national grid</li> </ul>
<b>What was not done well</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sustainability of programs when donor funding ends</li> </ul>
<b>What needs to be done differently</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strengthen the private sector national coordination networks through linkages with national and county HIV coordination</li> <li>• Strengthen accountability/efficiency in HIV program delivery</li> <li>• Build capacity of government to engage the private sector and to provide guidance on private sector engagement</li> </ul>

<b>CONTEXTUAL ENVIRONMENT AND KEY RECOMMENDATIONS</b>	
<b>What was not done well</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• HIV data been coded to international standards</li> </ul>
<b>What needs to be done differently</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To code HIV data in terms of the different kinds of HIV rather than generalizing</li> <li>• Scale up engagement of the youth in HIV prevention</li> <li>• Systems strengthening within the private sector</li> <li>• To bring together the private sector and FBOs within the response</li> <li>• To look at what is in it for the private sector since they are there to make some profit – the next strategy to allow flexibility of private sector within the response</li> <li>• Dissect policies into manageable bites</li> <li>• To mainstream programmes for people with disability in the HIV response</li> <li>• To support local manufacturers producing products that are directly or indirectly linked to HIV</li> </ul>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To have all arms of government be involved within the response by supporting local manufacturers – regulators to also support local manufacturers to ensure products for HIV are available</li><li>• To strengthen the regulatory system, quality and safety of products related to HIV</li><li>• To think about sustainability of financial models in ensuring that beneficiaries do not lack treatment in future</li><li>• UNAIDS to continue working closer with the private sector</li><li>• To have a national framework for the private sector that will reach and engage up to the county level</li><li>• To have a regulatory framework that encourages the private sector in innovation and investment in health sector by strengthening the role of public sector, that provide the regulatory framework that harnesses opportunity within the private sector.</li><li>• UNAIDS to consider human rights and private sector in the next strategy – private sector not willing to engage due to fear of litigation.</li><li>• Kenya Health Federation and family networks are supported in advocacy as a conduit for private sector to ensure there is a mainstreamed agenda for HIV</li></ul>
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