Follow-up to the thematic segment from the 33rd PCB: HIV, adolescents and youth

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Framing the thematic segment on youth

1. Youth centred format for open dialogue

2. The four key components of the day

- 'Walk in my shoes': with four young people living with HIV.
- Successful HIV prevention for young people
- Scaling up HIV testing among young people
- Improving access and adherence to treatment for young people living with HIV
Conclusions

- Evidence informed HIV programmes work and must be scaled up to have impact
- Existing programmes must be made more sensitive to the needs of adolescents
- Parental consent laws and policies are a barrier to access including HIV testing and counselling, harm reduction and treatment
Conclusions continued

- Youth participation through the full programme development cycle can lead to more effective programmes.

- Very limited data available in relation to adolescents aged 10 – 19, young key populations and young people living with HIV.
  - Routine data disaggregated by age and sex.
  - Investment in research for adolescents and young key populations.
  - Clarify research protocol guidelines for involving under 18s recognizing the evolving capacity of adolescents.