Fourth Annual Report Web Update

GTF 361 HIV Leadership through Accountability

The five year HIV Leadership through Accountability programme, aims to strengthen, develop and replenish HIV leadership and to hold governments and policy makers accountable for their commitments and decisions made to achieve Universal Access to HIV prevention, treatment, care and support (Universal Access).

The programme is being implemented in eleven countries – nine in Africa, one in Asia and one in Eastern Europe - by:

- Supporting national networks of PLHIV to conduct research to develop an evidence-base and enhance their participation in national and regional processes and mechanisms;
- Bringing together equitable and inclusive CS campaign platforms to support strengthened coordination and participation of civil society in the development of evidence-based campaigning, advocacy and lobbying in order to deliver policy change for improved HIV responses.

The first three participating countries (2008-2010) Kenya, Nigeria and Zambia have completed the research phase of the programme and are engaged in evidence-based advocacy showing how stigma issues and human rights violations affect the lives of people living with HIV. The research results and recommendations, in all first round countries, have already influenced national strategic plans, policies and programmes, as well as contributing to broader civil society advocacy agendas and campaigns.

The second round countries (2010-2012) - Cameroon, Ethiopia, Moldova and South Africa - have finalised the research phase and for the remainder of the programme are focusing on evidence-based advocacy for policy change. Though the programme itself is time-limited, its effects are anticipated to be long-lasting, delivering improved national HIV responses and significant civil society capacity building beyond the direct research and advocacy impact.

The third rounds of countries (2011-2013) - Indonesia, Malawi, Senegal and Tanzania - are currently implementing the five research tools of the programme and campaign platforms are being galvanised to conduct advocacy using the evidence gathered for policy change - the first third round reports are currently being finalised.

To enhance the sharing of experiences, successes and challenges, an innovative web-based platform exists to host discussions and share resources and information between national PLHIV networks, Civil Society partners and WAC and GNP+. Copies of all reports are available on this site.

For more information please visit: www.hivleadership.org or visit:
http://www.hivleadership.org/resources/reports/programme-reports-a-concept-note.html