



USAID SAFE: Supporting an AIDS-Free Era Program

Executive summary: Project Year 1 (October 2017 to September 2018)

The USAID SAFE: Supporting an AIDS-Free Era Program (2017-2022) works to reduce HIV mortality, morbidity, and transmission, while improving nutrition outcomes and family planning integration. USAID SAFE operates in Central, Copperbelt, and Northwestern Provinces and is implemented by John Snow, Inc. (JSI) with Abt Associates, Inc., mothers2mothers, and the Catholic Medical Mission Board.

Program Year One

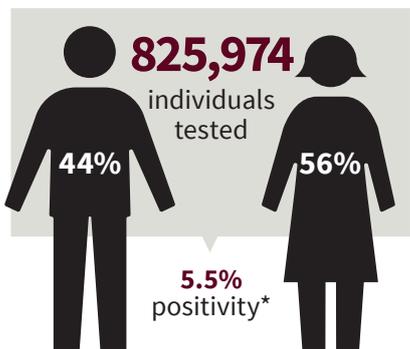
USAID SAFE began implementing activities in Central in Quarters 1 and 2 of FY18 and expanded to Copperbelt and Northwestern beginning in Quarter 3

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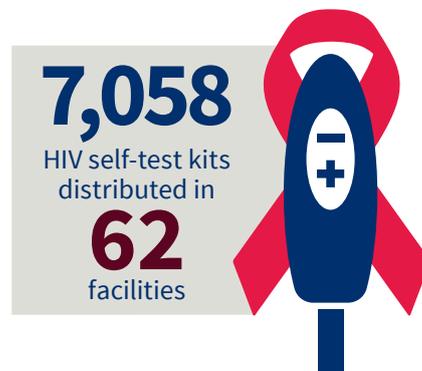
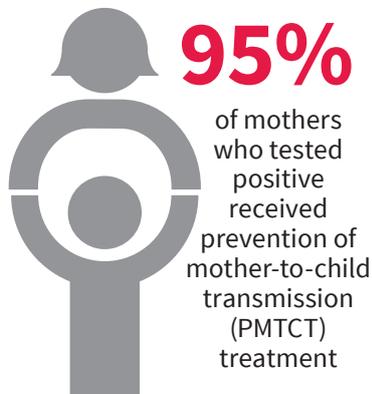


Objective 1

95 Percent of HIV-Positive Individuals Know their HIV Status



*Index testing contributed significantly to this number, representing 8.2% of the total number of positive tests (3,047 individuals)

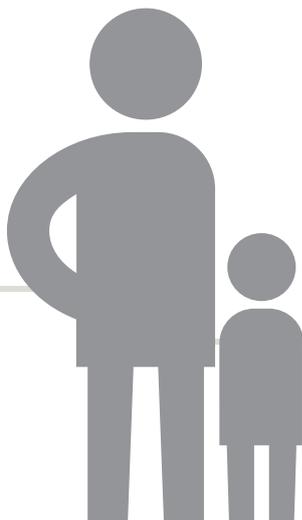


Objective 2

Initiate 95 percent of HIV positive individuals on ART

88.4% (or 45,822 adults and children) of those who tested positive were placed on treatment

35,507 adults and children (91% of 38,829) were retained on treatment 12 months after initiating



Objective 3

Ensure that 95 Percent of those on ART are Virally Suppressed

63% (96,753) of 231,671 clients (adults and children) who are actively on treatment have suppressed viral load

171% increase in the number of viral load samples tested (from 19,547 in Q1 to 33,867 in Q4).

Objective 4

Strengthen the Health System to support the Objectives of 95/95/95

Worked with the Government to **develop key protocols and documents** (HIV self-testing, differentiated service delivery (DSD), new ARV regimen Tenofovir, Lamivudine, and Dalutegravir (TLD) implementation, and Elimination of mother-to-child transmission (EMTCT)).

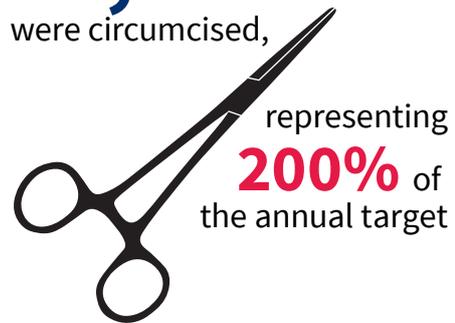
Began rolling out **HIV self-testing** through workplace HIV self-testing training in private companies.

Objective 5

Provide Voluntary Medical Male Circumcisions to Priority Populations to avert new infections

66,261 men

were circumcised,



representing

200% of

the annual target

Objective 6

Integrate Family Planning Services into 95 Percent of HIV service delivery locations



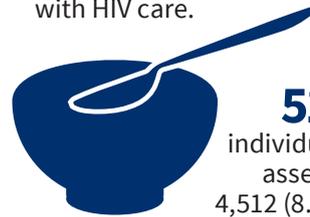
90% (221)

of the total USAID SAFE-supported facilities have fully integrated FP and HIV services, serving a total of **37,347** clients from April to September.

Objective 7

Reach 90 Percent of Eligible HIV Positive Adults and Children with nutrition assessment, care and support (NACS)

235 health facility sites now integrate NACS services with HIV care.



51,720

individuals were assessed and 4,512 (8.7%) were considered malnourished.

Objective 8

Strengthen M&E Capacity at the Facility, District, and Provincial Levels for improved program management

355 Data Entry Clerks (DECs) had been placed in selected health facilities, to improve data quality at facility level.

87% (215) facilities held at least one data action team (DAT) meeting to review the facility's performance and data challenges, and to promote the use of data for decision-making during PY1.

Objective 9

Strengthen the Public Financial Management Systems of the Ministry of Health (MoH) and Ministry of Finance



Launched live electronic accounting system in Central and Copperbelt Provinces.

100% of procurements made were planned procurements from workplan.

Priority Activities PY2



Targeted testing and counselling services for vulnerable populations



Index testing and partner identification and testing



Escorted referrals of HIV-positive clients to the ART clinic



ART clinicians stationed in health facilities to enhance linkage onto treatment



Increased efficiency in viral load testing to increase demand and distribute results