

COMPREHENSIVE HIV TESTING SERVICES

Supporting innovation and quality at scale

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JSI assists health providers to offer safe and ethical HIV testing at multiple entry points and to integrate different testing approaches with community ART programs to promote uptake.

As countries continue to look for more efficient ways to identify and reach undiagnosed people living with HIV (PLHIV), especially in populations with low-testing access and a higher risk of HIV acquisition, JSI is committed to help reach the global 95% HIV case finding target. To date, 84% of people living with HIV globally have been tested and know their status. Increasing testing access and expanding testing capability remains vital. Index testing has proven to be the most efficient testing strategy, while HIV self-testing, limited in scale to date, offers new channels of access and privacy to previously unreachable populations.

JSI'S APPROACH

In **index testing**, health care providers invite people with confirmed HIV infection to share the names and contact information of sexual or drug-injecting partners as well as biological children. Trained counselors offer HIV testing to these contacts. The approach has proven to be a key intervention in diagnosing PLHIV and enrolling people in treatment.

HIV self-testing enables people to screen themselves for HIV in a private setting using oral fluid or blood. It can be done alone or with a trusted person. Any positive HIV self-test result must be confirmed by a healthcare provider. HIV self-testing helps reach people beyond traditional HIV testing approaches.

In **social network testing**, health care workers engage PLHIV to help identify people in their social networks (e.g., friends, colleagues, family members, etc.) who may be at risk for HIV and encourage, refer, and/or accompany them to HIV testing.

By determining recent infections among newly diagnosed PLHIV, health care providers use **recency testing** to identify geographic areas and/or subpopulations where HIV transmission is happening. They can effectively interrupt HIV transmission by allocating HIV testing resources to the right places.



845,210

HIV tests
administered



102,451

clients who underwent
index testing



45,273

HIV self-tests
distributed

*Fiscal year 2021 data

JSI ACTIVELY CONTRIBUTES TO THE GLOBAL ADOPTION, OPERATIONALIZATION, AND ROLLOUT OF INDEX TESTING AND PARTNER NOTIFICATION SERVICES

JSI provides in-person and online training for health care providers, lay counselors, and peer educators to provide **safe, ethical, nonjudgmental, gender-sensitive index testing services**.

Gender norms and stigma are vital considerations when training counselors on partner notification services. JSI trains providers to screen for **intimate partner violence, providing first-line responses** including referrals and social services.

Leveraging our expertise in **health management information systems, JSI establishes HIV testing performance management systems** providing insights on case finding rates, adverse events, and other key metrics.



FREE RESOURCES TO STRENGTHEN INDEX TESTING SKILLS





Index Testing E - C O U R S E

for HIV testing providers, managers & supervisors



The JSI Partner and Family-Based Index Testing e-Course is based on technical content from WHO, PEPFAR, CDC, USAID, and UNAIDS, and is informed by JSI's extensive experience implementing index testing services. The course is designed for HIV testing providers, managers, and supervisors working in health facilities and community HIV testing service settings. Job aids, downloadable reference materials, pre- and post-tests, and a printable completion certificate are included.

<https://elearning.jsi.com/course/index.php?categoryid=18>