

A Community Guide to the Global Fund's Key Populations Action Plan 2014-2017



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WHAT IS THE **KEY POPULATIONS ACTION PLAN**?

The Global Fund's Key Populations Action Plan (2014-2017) is a document which describes actions to strengthen the work and impact of the Global Fund in relation to key populations.

Let's break that down some more:

THE **[KEY POPULATIONS]** **[ACTION PLAN]**



KEY POPULATIONS ARE GROUPS THAT:

1. Are more significantly impacted negatively by disease
2. Have less access to services
3. Belong to populations that are criminalized or marginalized

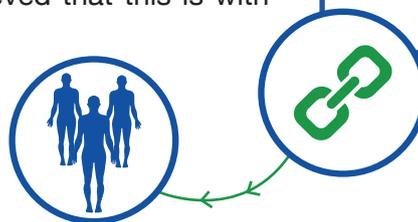


An **ACTION PLAN** is a blueprint/roadmap for the process of how goals will be reached and impact made

Overall, the Plan puts into action the commitments of the Global Fund to meet the needs and rights of key populations. Actions are intended to strengthen the work and impact of the Global Fund in relation to key populations. The Global Fund wants to focus its resources on services where there is the most need and where the greatest impact can be made, and it is believed that this is with key populations.



MORE ON KEY POPULATIONS:



Who are key populations?

Key Populations in HIV Response:

- Gay, bisexual and other men who have sex with men
- Anyone who injects drugs
- Sex workers
- Transgender people

Key Populations in Tuberculosis Response:

- Prisoners
- People living with HIV
- Migrants
- Refugees
- Indigenous populations

Key Populations in Malaria Response:

- Migrants
- Refugees
- Internally displaced people
- Indigenous populations in malaria-endemic areas

Also, all people living with HIV and who currently have, or have survived TB, fall within the definition of key populations



WHY DO WE NEED TO FOCUS ON KEY POPULATIONS?

Key populations are central to responding to HIV, tuberculosis and malaria in the best way. The Global Fund believes that key populations provide important inputs (insights, guidance and oversight) because of their direct experience and personal investment in the response to the three diseases. Because of this, the Global Fund wants to build a relationship and work with them.

Nearly 9 million people develop active TB each year and 95% of these cases occur in developing countries.

Key populations face HIV prevalence rates that are higher than the general population

LET'S UNPACK THE PLAN IN MORE DETAIL

Two key parts of the Action Plan



New funding model

- New country coordinating mechanism eligibility requirements and minimum standards

Community mobilization



Capacity development

Two key aims of the Action Plan

WHY COMMUNITY MOBILIZATION?

- Key populations need support from community systems more than other groups.
- Social networks and organizations for support, advocacy and kinship are crucial for key populations.
- Strengthening these social networks and organizations can have a positive impact on key populations
- Growing national, regional and global networks that represent key populations is very important.
- One important method of securing support for these crucial networks is through funding for community systems strengthening

• CAPACITY DEVELOPMENT: •

The Community Systems Strengthening Framework (CSSF) emphasizes the importance of capacity building for effective, sustainable community responses.

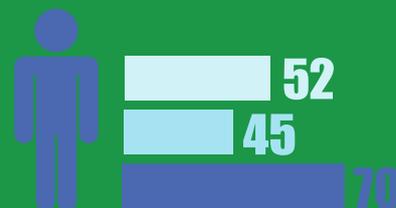
The Framework acknowledges the unique role that community organizations and networks have in supporting services, advocacy and outreach within affected communities. However, funding levels remain low.

The Global Fund will seek to strengthen the impact of the CSSF through encouraging increased investment and through the collection of data about the types and progress of community systems strengthening interventions funded to date. This data can then serve to inform decisions of future allocation of CSS funding so as to achieve the most impact.

Community Systems Strengthening investments can serve to increase the capacity of key populations to participate in and monitor country coordinating mechanisms and other Global Fund governance processes.

Additional community systems strengthening investments can expand the participation of key population groups in concept note development and program implementation. To this end, the board of the Global Fund has approved a special initiative to provide technical assistance to support capacity development and participation of key populations and communities more broadly in the country dialogue.

The Plan has five objectives to make sure key populations and their needs are included in every step of the grant cycle:



STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE	WHAT DOES THIS MEAN?
1. Investment levels targeting key populations	1. Increase investment in services and programs for key populations that are effective and that reach more people
2. Inclusion of key populations in country and regional processes	2. Get the voice of key populations heard through making sure that the organizations that support them have enough resources to do their work and to advocate for it
3. Creating measurable deliverables and improved reporting mechanisms	3. Improve the access to and use of grant funding by key population organizations
4. Reinforce knowledge among Global Fund staff and partners	4. Make sure all those involved in working with key populations know enough about these populations and have learnt from each other
5. Leadership and advocacy by and for key populations	5. Make sure all those involved in working with key populations are up to date with the needs and circumstances of these populations and that knowledge is shared to inform best practice

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