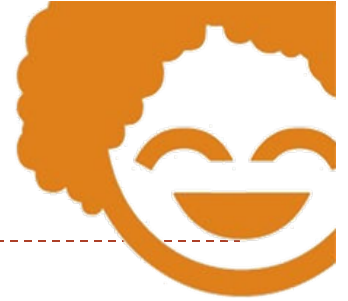




HIV-Sensitive Care Force Planning



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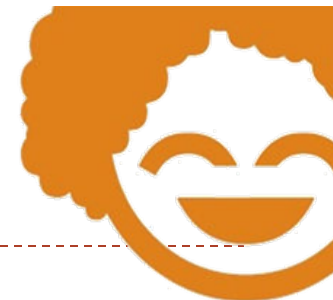
The Unacceptable Gap! Children & AIDS: ESA

- ▶ Losses across the paediatric HIV treatment continuum greatly worsen health outcomes for children living with HIV.
 - Kenya estimates that only 14% of children living with HIV are virally suppressed as a result of gaps in the continuum of care.
 - Among individuals receiving antiretroviral therapy in Kenya, rates of viral suppression are notably lower for children (60-70%) than for adults (90%).

(Source: UNAIDS Gap Report, 2014)

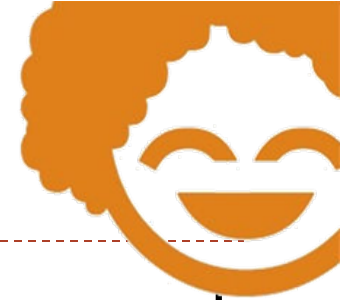


Regional Inter Agency Task Team on Children & AIDS: ESA



- ▶ RIATT-ESA works to scale up, coordinate and provide a more effective response for children affected by AIDS in Eastern and Southern Africa.
- ▶ Informed by 2001 UNGASS Declaration, initiated by 2006 Global Partners Forum, and guided by 2008 Dar Conference.
- ▶ Respected regional platform for knowledge management and advocacy.
- ▶ Approximately 30 active multisectoral partners





Vision and Mission

- ▶ **Vision:** universal access to prevention, treatment, care and support for children affected by AIDS in Eastern and Southern Africa .
- ▶ **Mission:** to be the key knowledge management and advocacy hub on children and AIDS in East and Southern Africa to strategically influence global, regional and national policy formulation and implementation for children and their families affected by AIDS



Impact & Strategic Outcomes: 2015 -2018

Children and their families and carers in East and Southern Africa have universal access to comprehensive social protection systems that link and integrate HIV services and child protection mechanisms by 2018.

A deeper, contextualised understanding of key approaches to children and vulnerability is promoted by RIATT-ESA to encourage appropriate regional and national responses.

SADC and EAC are technically supported by RIATT-ESA to support their Member States to strengthen provision and access to comprehensive care and support services for children and their families/carers, and which are sensitive to the changing needs of girls and boys throughout their life cycle.

Comprehensive HIV- and child sensitive social protection systems to address the structural drivers underlying the pathways between children's vulnerability and HIV transmission are incorporated into key sustainable development frameworks, strategies and commitments as a result of RIATT-ESA advocacy.



What we hope to achieve from this meeting

- ▶ Understanding the care force gaps.
- ▶ Coordinated regional information generation and sharing
- ▶ Collaboration and networking of stakeholders, particularly at ESAR level to influence policies for children
- ▶ Provide key inputs to global and regional commitments and frameworks to keep children on the SDG agenda



We are the regional voice for vulnerable children and adolescents



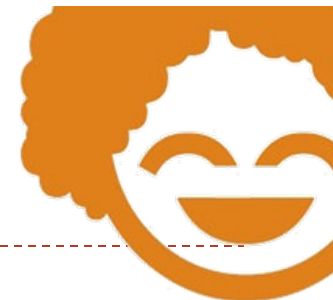
**Reality check! Who is the
care force?**

Thank you.



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Strategic Programming Principles



- ▶ **Lifecycle:** conception, birth, childhood, adolescence, adult, elderly to halt HIV infection and boost resilience.
- ▶ **Systems:** linking HIV-sensitive social protection to child protection.
- ▶ **Equity:** narrowing inequalities and accelerate progress for most vulnerable and poorest children and families/carers.
- ▶ **Gender:** explicitly including appropriate interventions for both boys and girls throughout the lifecycle.
- ▶ **Research:** data and evidence generation to influence policies and accountability mechanisms.

