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#### **Test for HIV**

81%

of people with HIV know that they have it in **Latin America**.

64%

of people with HIV know that they have it in **the Caribbean**.



#### **Test and treat STIs**

High burden of syphilis among key populations (up to 27% in MSM, up to 14% in FSW).



of countries do not test for syphilis when testing for HIV among key populations.



#### **Provide PrEP**

Indications for PrEP (by history over the past 6 months):

HIV-negative with a sexual partner with HIV who is not virally supressed

#### **OR**

HIV-negative and sexually active in a high HIV incidence/ prevalence population

and any of the following:

- Sexual intercourse without condoms with one or more partners, OR
- A sexual partner with one or more HIV risk factor, OR
- A history of a sexually transmitted infection (STI), OR
- Use of post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP), OR
- Requesting PrEP.











## NEW HIV INFECTIONS ARE OFF TARGET

NO CHANGE at 120,000 new infections per year from 2010 to 2016.

Target is

**75**%

**DECREASE** 

by 2020 *compared to 2010.* 

2010 2011 2012 2013 2014 2015 2016 2017 2018 2019 2020

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of **new infections** are in key populations or their partners.

- Men who have sex with men (MSM)
- Female sex workers (FSW)
- People who inject drugs
- Clients of sex workers and partners of key populations
- Transgender women
- Rest of the population



#### **Provide PEP**

Countries that offer PEP for consensual high-risk sex





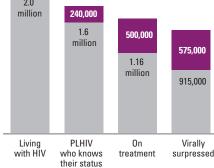
#### **Treat all**

In Latin America and the Caribbean:

Persons with HIV Gap to reach targets

2.0 million 240,000

1.6 500,000



80% know their status

56% on treatment

46% have viral suppresion

45%

of countries have adopted a "treat all" policy



#### **End discrimination**

**5** COUNTRIES

report criminalizing same-sex behavior.

10 COUNTRIES

consider sex work as a criminal act.

### TRANSGENDER WOMEN

are still victims of hate crimes in Latin America and the Caribbean.

## Use of the combination HIV prevention approach can help LAC make progress toward meeting the 2020 and 2030 targets.

The three areas addressed in combination HIV prevention

#### **BIOMEDICAL**

Interventions with clinical and medical methods, for example:

- Condoms and lubricants
- HIV testing
- Antiretroviral treatment for all
- Prevention of vertical transmission
- PrEP and PEP
- Voluntary male circumcision
- Needle and syringe programs

#### **STRUCTURAL**

Interventions that promote an enabling environment, for example:

- Decriminalization of transmission and of key populations
- Gender and gender violence approach
- Laws to protect rights
- Interventions to reduce stigma and discrimination



#### **BEHAVIORAL**

Interventions that promote healthy behaviors, for example:

- Counseling on risk reduction
- Comprehensive sex education
- Peer education programs
- Social marketing campaigns (e.g., to promote condom use)



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