

# Demonstration of Research Policy-Practice Cycle using oral PrEP

**Gap:** Lack of evidence to inform the delivery of oral Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP) as part of HIV combination prevention package in Kenya

## LVCT Health Research:

- *Feasibility study on PrEP uptake* – 2013: established willingness among MSM, FSW and Young women to take PrEP for HIV Prevention
- *Introducing PrEP in Combination prevention (IPCP) Demonstration Project* - 2014 to 2017

This project has demonstrated the effective delivery of daily oral HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) as part of an HIV combination prevention intervention among young women at high HIV risk, FSW and MSM in Kenya

PrEP is offered in 6 implementing sites – 5 LVCT Health NGO sites, and one government health facility, across 3 counties in Kenya- Nairobi, Kisumu and Homa bay.



Technical assistance through the Ministry of Health (NASCO) PrEP Technical Working Group for development of:

**2016:** Guidelines on Use of Antiretroviral for Treating and Prevention of HIV Infection in Kenya

## 2017:

- *Framework for the Implementation of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis of HIV In Kenya*
- *Pre-exposure Prophylaxis for the Prevention of HIV Infection - A Toolkit for Health Service Providers*
- *National Monitoring and evaluation framework for oral PrEP including the data collection tools*

## Sep 2016:

- *Cascade of lessons learnt on the Introduction of PrEP as an addition to existing HIV prevention interventions to HIV prevention in DREAMS project*
- *Lessons from IPCP research utilized for design and implementation of LVCT Health's CDC-funded scale up projects (STEP and Daraja Projects)*

## Oct 2017:

- LVCT Health provided technical leadership in development of health provider training materials, service delivery strategies and tools including standard operating procedures, M&E tools for introduction of PrEP in CDC-funded HIV prevention and care and treatment programs