



DARAJA – Bridging access to comprehensive health for key and priority populations project in Nairobi and Kiambu 2016-2021



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About Daraja

Daraja is a 5 year project funded by the US Presidential Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through the Center for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Kenya. The project is implemented by LVCT Health in partnership with Bar Hostess and Sex workers Empowerment Program (BHESP) and Support for Addiction and Prevention and Treatment in Africa (SAPTA). Its implementation began in October 2016 and will end in September 2021. The project aims to contribute towards meeting Kenya's HIV prevention targets by delivering evidence informed interventions to Key and Priority Populations in high HIV prevalence locations.

Project Goal

Daraja intends to increase access and scale up of comprehensive, evidence based HIV prevention, and care and treatment interventions for Key Population (KP) and Priority Population (PP), and reduce HIV risk behaviours, new infections and deaths.



Objectives

1. To deliver community HIV Testing and Services (HTS) and to identify HIV positive individuals and link them to care
2. To identify and deliver comprehensive prevention, care and treatment services to Key Populations and Priority Populations (including adolescent girls and young women) in Nairobi and Kiambu counties
3. To undertake advocacy to address stigma and discrimination and human rights for Key Populations and Priority Populations in Nairobi and Kiambu
4. To strengthen county systems and partnerships to scale up and deliver comprehensive prevention, care and treatment services to KP and PP organisations
5. To strengthen data collection and monitoring and evaluation systems for KP and PP services to improve follow up, continuous quality improvement and evaluation of the prevention program outcomes



Target Populations

Key Population - Men who have Sex with Men (MSM), Female Sex Workers (FSW) and People Who Inject Drugs (PWID)

Priority Population - Adolescent girls and young women (AGYW) 10-24 years, youth and men aged 30 years and below

General Population - Adults, adolescents, children, couples, women, men and youth

Implementation Locations



- Westlands
- Kamukunji
- Kasarani
- Langata
- Dagoreti
- Makadara
- Starehe
- Ruaraka



- Thika
- Kiambu
- Juja
- Gatundu North
- Gatundu South

Annual Targets 2016- 17*

1. Daraja project aims at reaching 107,000 individuals with HIV testing services, identifying 2,147 HIV positive individuals, and ensuring at least 90% are linked to treatment.
2. Will target 8,001 Key Population members (1,727 MSM; 5,558 FSW; and 716 PWID) with comprehensive HIV prevention services including HIV testing, issuing condoms and lubricants and Pre- Exposure Prophylaxis (PrEP), Post Violence Care (PVC), Evidence Based Behavioural Interventions (EBIs) using the national guidelines.
3. Aims at reaching 22,711 Priority Population (AGYW and other adolescents & young adults) with HTS, EBIs, condoms and other prevention interventions. 12,240 AGYW in Nairobi will be enrolled in the DREAMS (Determined, Resilient, Empowered AIDS Free Mentored and Safe girls) project that offers a combination of biomedical, behavioural and structural interventions, including economic empowerment programs to vulnerable AGYW at high risk of HIV. The project will be scaled up to Kiambu in the second year.
4. Offer comprehensive care and treatment services to 5,044 identified HIV positive individuals including KPs and PPs using the national test and treat approach and differentiated care models to ensure retention, adherence to ARV's and HIV viral suppression.

* The project targets change annually



Strategies

- **Community based interventions** – outreach to hotspots, community drop in, and prevention centers, Door to Door visits
- **Delivery of specific package of services** to KPs and PPs aligned to national guidelines and ensuring quality
- **Peer led interventions** – working with KP peer educators, DREAMS mentors for mobilization, service delivery, community follow up and advocacy
- **Partnerships with County governments** – delivery of integrated KP and PP HIV prevention and treatment services in county facilities
- **Research-policy- practice** cycle: review and use of program data to inform national policy and program improvements. Identification of research gaps to inform research studies
- **Policy influence and participation** in national and county technical working groups to share best practices, inform national guidelines
- **Development of innovations and models** that can be implemented within large scale public health interventions

Desired Outcomes (5 years)



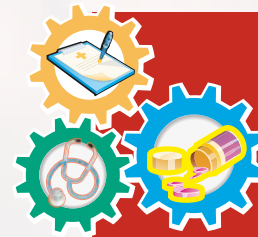
90% of the estimated KPs within Kiambu and Nairobi counties reached with correct knowledge of HIV status, combination prevention and linkage to treatment (for the HIV positive).



Reduced stigma and discrimination towards KPs and PPs resulting in increased access and utilization of county and other health services.



90% of the HIV positive KPs in Nairobi and Kiambu are on anti-retroviral therapy, with over 90% viral suppression.



Innovative and novel approaches such as Partner Notification Services (PNS), young KPs (<18yrs) programming and differentiated models of care for KPs adopted and scaled up nationally.



Contribution to 75% reduction in new infections among KPs and AGYW per Kenya AIDS Strategic Framework (KASF) targets through identification of those at risk and provision of combination prevention interventions.



Capacity and systems of counties and local organizations strengthened to deliver sustainable combination HIV prevention programs for KPs and PPs.



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