Sex Workers

Sub Group on TI For NACP IV formulation Draft Presentation to the Core Group 5th May 2011

Core Group Meeting

Guiding Principles

- Rights based approach
- Address structural barriers (laws, legislations, policies; norms, practices, culture)
- Be Gender responsive (e.g RCH approach)
- Approach to be public health and social development – go beyond NACO involving other sectors
- Partnership driven in the true sense and spirit of it. (NGOs, civil society, private providers etc)

Guiding Principles

- Community led and owned (design, exert choice on service delivery, implementation, capacity building, monitoring, data use etc)
- Different / special strategies across sets of states depending on epidemiology, stage of programs, state capacities, local context (e.g. conflicts) etc
- Cater to differentials and variants in environment and typologies (nature of sex work, nature of sites; geographic variations etc), so that there is no "one template for TI"

Guiding Principles

- Focus on demand creation (better life; health; HIV prevention services such as condoms, STI, HIV testing, care/treatment)
- Ensure that the prevention to care continuum is in the construct of TI
- Reducing stigma / discrimination (e.g. sensitizing various groups) integral to TI
- Do no harm
- Innovations as part of service delivery

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| Scale / coverage | | | |
| HIV Impact | | | |
| Demand creation | | | |
| Supply - Access to services | | | |
| Quality | | | |
| Program Management | | | |
| Structural Interventions | | | |
| Capacity building | | | |
| Partnerships | | | |
| Public-Private partnerships | | | |
| Community mobilization | | | |
| Epidemiological focus | | | |
| Monitoring and Evaluation | | | |
| Innovation | | | |
| Financial management and | | | |
| funds flow; budget flexibility | | | |
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Group Composition

- Officials from NACO
- Officials from NTSU and TSU
- Development Partners
- Participants from Community
- Participants from Civil Society

• Note: The number of participants increased during the course of the group discussions

Observations

- The Group discussion takes place in the absence of at NACP IV strategy document or a TI strategy document.
- The only information shared was through a presentation and no reports were shared with regard to any review, evaluation or assessment
- The group comprises of people from the community and there was a requirement of translation that makes the time available reduce by half

The Guiding Principles and their articulation in the Sex Workers TI

TI Works, with Community Ownership it can work better

- Strengthening Operationalization with community involvement and ownership
 - The Approach is no longer a debate, it is a requirement
 - Involvement in all processes (not stopping with just this consultation) but over the period of design and development of all program components and policy
 - Representation of community in decision making bodies

Areas of Focus and key Recommendations

- Focus on clients of sex workers as part of the TI response
 - Clients, partners, lovers, babus etc
- Outreach essentially peer based
 - PE model to be contextual
 - Honorarium parity
 - PE time for quality interaction with community and reduce burden of M&E

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Limitation

- Time
- Discussion could not be strategic
- Overarching approach needs to be stated