

**FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE
HIV/AIDS
PREVENTION AND CONTROL SYSTEM IN VIET
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FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Vietnam Administration of HIV/AIDS Control was established on 20/5/2005 by the Decision No 432/QĐ-TTg of the Prime Minister of Vietnam. It is under the Ministry of Health of Vietnam.

Its functions, duties, responsibilities and organization are stipulated in the Decision No. 21/2005/QĐ-BYT dated 26/7/2005 by the Minister of Health.

FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Functions

Vietnam Administration of HIV/AIDS Control is a state management administration under the Ministry of Health. It assists the Minister of Health in exercising the state management, law enforcement, providing guidance and operation of technical activities on HIV/AIDS control in the whole country.

FUNCTIONS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

2. Responsibilities:

- To formulate plan and strategy on HIV/AIDS control;
- Be the focal point for drafting, revision and amendment of legal documents, policies on HIV/AIDS control;
- To develop technical regulations and procedures on HIV/AIDS prevention and control;
- To provide guidance and manage activities of HIV/AIDS prevention and control in the whole country; act as the focal point in managing and providing guidance for implementation of technical activities on HIV/AIDS control performed by other sectors;

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Responsibilities (Cont.)

- To manage, provide guidance and implement IEC activities, training, monitoring, evaluation, harm reduction interventions, infection prevention; provide guidance on implementation of treatment, care and support of HIV infected people; conduct scientific research on HIV/AIDS prevention and control;
- Acting as a focal point on HIV/AIDS prevention and control of the National Committee on Prevention of AIDS, Drugs and Prostitution.

ORGANIZATION OF VAAC

3. Organization:

3.1. Administration Leadership:

Director General and Deputy Director General

3.2. Departments:

1. Administration Bureau;
2. Planning and Finance Dept.
3. HIV/AIDS/STI Surveillance Dept.
4. HIV/AIDS Care and Treatment Dept.
5. Dept. of HIV/AIDS intervention and infection prevention;
6. Dept. of Information - Education – Communication;
7. Dept. of scientific research and international cooperation.

ORGANIZATION OF VAAC

4. Functions of Departments:

4.1. Administration Bureau:

To assist the Administration Management to synthesize and oversee activities of divisions, programs in accordance with the approved plan of the Administration; to ensure administrative, house-keeping personnel management, IT system and monitor legislative and emulation activities.

4.2. Planning and Finance Dept.

Responsible for managing activities related to planning, of implementation, monitoring and evaluation; financial management including budget calculation , expenditure and liquidation.

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4. Functions of Dept.

4.3. Dept. of Information-Education-Communication:

Responsible for implementing IEC activities; collaborating with other sectors and mobilizing community participation in HIV/AIDS control.

4.4. Dept. of HIV/AIDS/STI Surveillance:

Responsible for implementing activities related to HIV/AIDS/STI surveillance and counselling, monitoring and evaluation of programs.

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4.5. Dept. of HIV/AIDS care and treatment:

Responsible for implementing activities related to care, support and treatment of HIV/AIDS infected people; prevention of mother to child transmission and sexually transmitted infections.

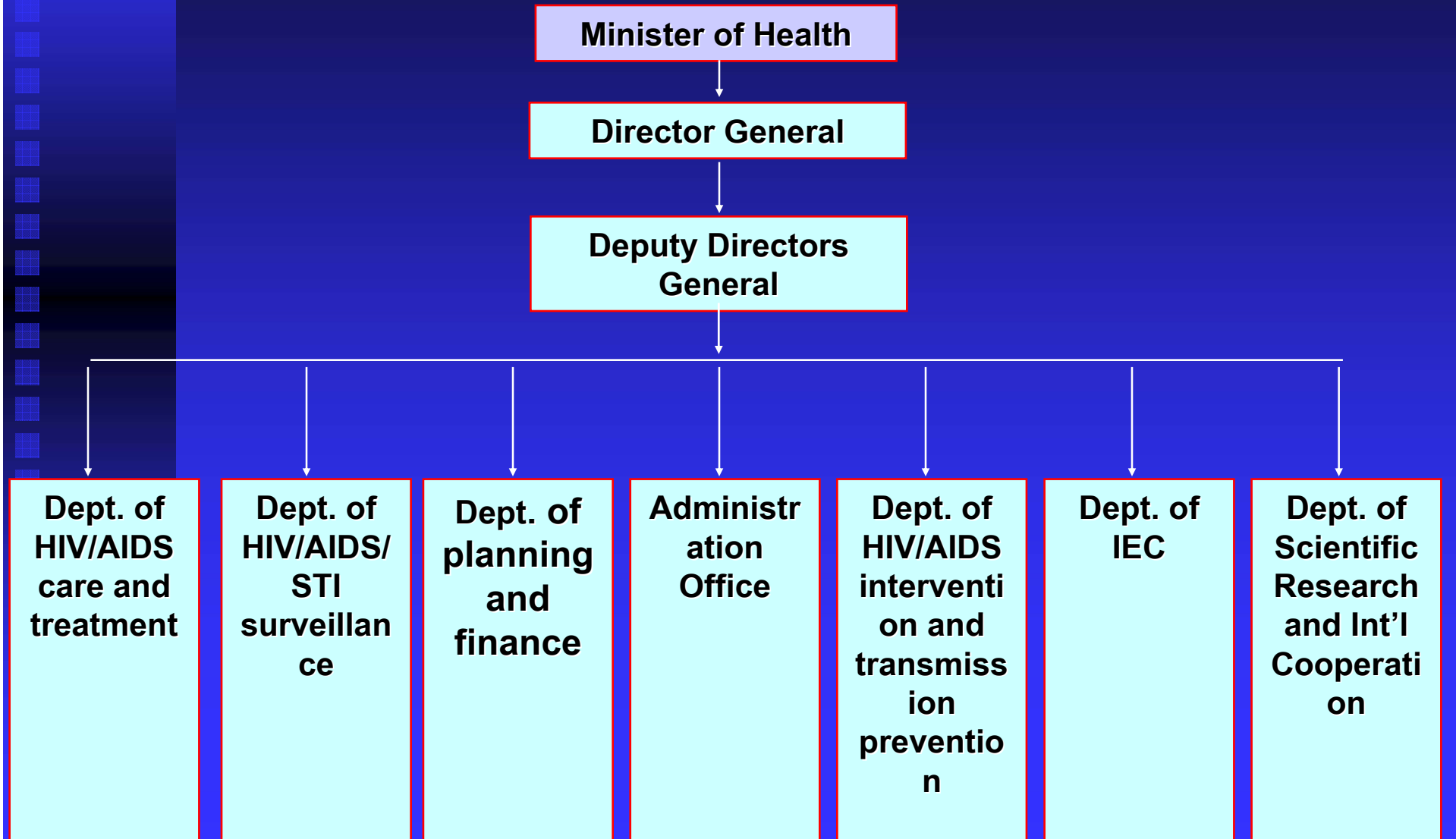
4.6. Dept. of Intervention and Prevention of HIV/AIDS Infection:

Responsible for implementing activities related to harm reduction; blood safety; universal prevention.

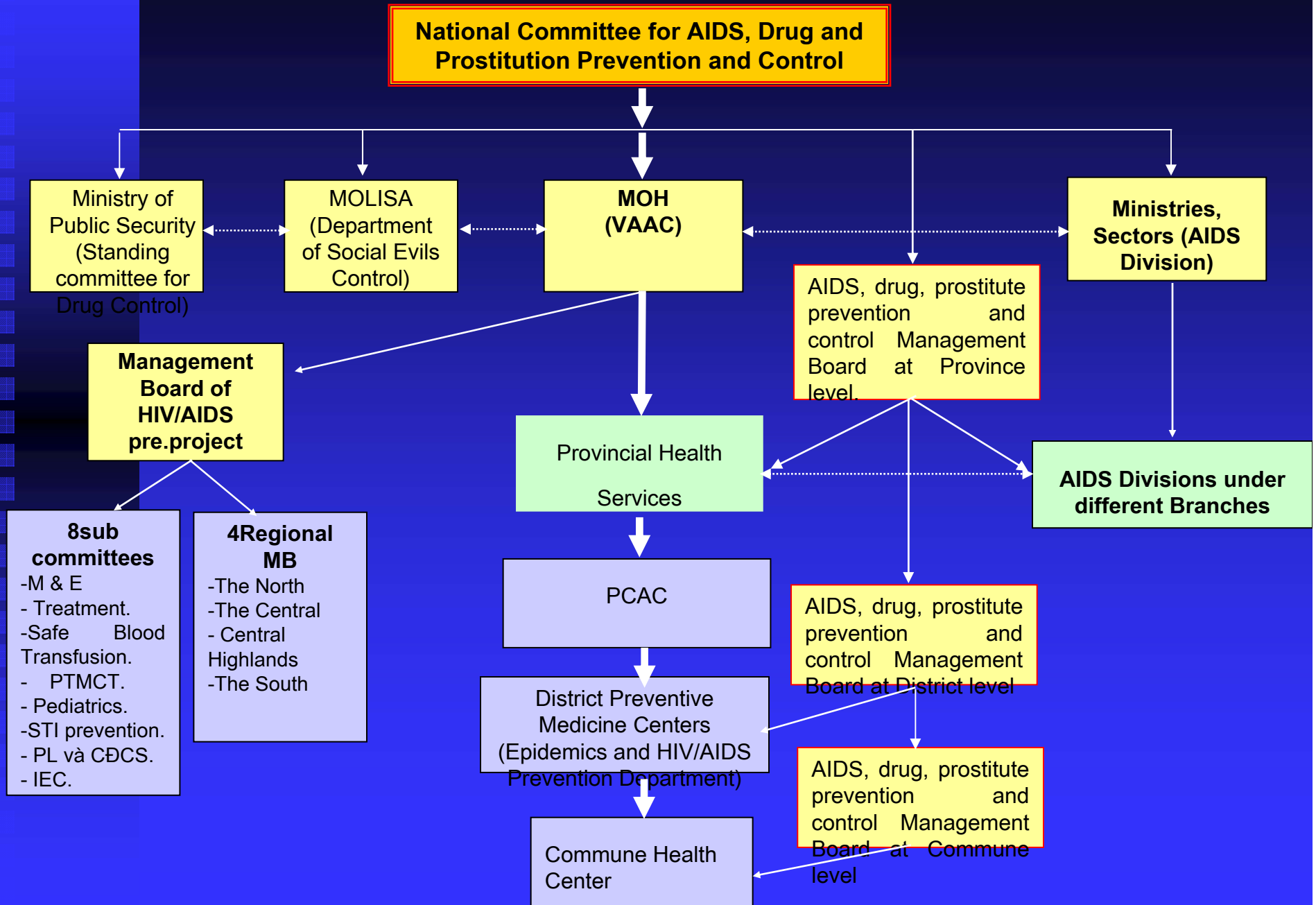
4.7. Dept. of Scientific Research and Int'l Cooperation:

Formulation of strategy and plan on research, training and int'l cooperation

ORGANIZATIONAL CHART OF VAAC



TECHNICAL CHART OF HIV/AIDS PREVENTION SINCE 10/2005



MAJOR TASKS IN THE COMING MONTHS

- Implement the Resolution No 46/NQ/TW of the Political Bureau dated 23/02/05 on the protection, care and promotion of people's health in the new situation with emphasis on strengthening capacity for surveillance, detection and control of epidemics particularly HIV/AIDS .
- Strengthen the organization system of HIV/AIDS control from central to commune/ward level.

MAJOR TASKS IN THE COMING MONTHS

- Develop and submit to the Government for approval and implement 9 National Action Plans under the National Strategy by 2010 and the Vision to 2020 for provincial level.
- Expand and strengthen international cooperation (government, non-government, multilateral, bilateral cooperation...) on HIV/AIDS prevention and control to mobilize technical and financial support for HIV/AIDS prevention and control in Vietnam.
- Be ready for implementation of new Directive of the Central Secretary Board on prevention and control of HIV/AIDS in the new situation
- Be prepared for implementation of the Law on HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control (2006).

MAJOR TASKS IN THE COMING MONTHS

- In collaboration with Provincial Health Service to establish quickly the HIV/AIDS Prevention and Control and Preventive Medicine Center at district level.
- As chief organizer, be responsible in collaboration with other Ministries, Sectors, Agencies and the HCM City People's Committee to organize four important Conferences
 - ◆ (1) the ASEM Conference on HIV/AIDS 22-23/11/2005
 - ◆ (2) the 3rd National Scientific Conference on HIV/AIDS from 24-26/11/2005
 - ◆ (3) the Conference on HIV/AIDS Aid Coordination in Hanoi.
 - ◆ (4) Five years Review Meeting on National HIV/AIDS program

CONSTRAINS

- Lack of human and financial resources
- Organizational structure for HIV/AIDS prevention and control at localities is not yet reorganized.
- Difficult access to ARV

SUPPORT REQUIREMENT

- Technical and financial support
- Capacity building
- Strengthening the organization system of HIV/AIDS Control from central to grass-root level
- Access to ARV