

TWG Subgroup Meeting

Brief Report

Sub-group: Gender and sexuality

Date: June 12 2007

Venue: PACT Viet nam

Chairpersons: Hoang Tu Anh (CIHP)

Major Discussion Points

Present: UNAIDS, LIGHT, PACT Viet Nam, COHED, CIHP, Ford Foundation, USAID, HPI, UNFPA, Population Council, WPF, CHS, Pathfinder International

Main Discussion Points:

Gender and HIV Publication

Group discussion facilitated by Kristy Kelly (kekelly@wisc.edu), consultant working on “Gender and HIV” publication.

The “Gender and HIV” publication, although lead by PACT, will be a joint product of the Gender and Sexuality Sub-group with key support from the VWU and funding from Ford Foundation. At the last meeting (May 10 2007), it was decided that the publication would focus on women and HIV.

Bibliography:

Facilitated discussion around thematic categories and inclusions for the bibliography. Draft thematic categories are as follows: gender-based violence; stigma and discrimination; trafficking; migration; gender relations, masculinities and femininities; transmission and prevention; treatment and care; injecting drug use; care work (care-giving); sex work; empowerment; youth; gender mainstreaming; gender equality goals/policy; general HIV/AIDS.

The group contributed thoughts and ideas for key publications to include and relevant stakeholder contacts. It was decided that “grey” data will be incorporated and any inclusions can be sent to Kristy Kelly (kekelly@wisc.edu).

Publication Structure:

Discussed the publication draft outline and the group considered a number of key questions relating to stakeholders, cross-cutting gender and HIV themes and how to best incorporate these issues into the body of work, definitions and terms and methods of analysis. Three key areas of the publication were discussed in depth: transmission and prevention; treatment and care and programmatic challenges/implications. The group clearly articulated the need for the publication to demonstrate women’s vulnerabilities to HIV (transmission and prevention), vulnerabilities associated with the impact of HIV on women (treatment and care) and an analysis on programmatic implications for women. The publication would surmise and finish by outlining some key recommendations.

Publication Time-line:

A work-plan and time-line was agreed by the group. A final draft is planned to be presented to key stakeholders for comment in September.

Action Points:

- Kristy Kelly to organise consultative meetings with key individuals and organisations
- All relevant materials (including grey data) to be emailed to Kristy ASAP
- Hoang Tu Anh to merge all Gender and Sexuality email list and send publication documents (bibliography, publication draft outline etc) to the group
- Hoang Tu Anh to send an email to the TWG list inviting list members to contribute to the “Gender and HIV” publication

Date and Location of Next meeting

TBD – August 2007