

**Coordination of HIV/AIDS Program: A
continuum of prevention-care network
approach for PLHIV in Hai Phong**

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Collaboration

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Outline of the Presentation

1. Background of HIV/AIDS program in Hai Phong
2. Importance of coordination of HIV/AIDS program
3. Coordination mechanism
4. Coordination activities
5. Coordination outcomes

Background

- **Many donors/organizations support one service in the same geographic area:**
 - Harm/risk reduction: FHI, LG, DFID, WB
 - VCT: FHI, LG, GF
 - PMTCT: LG, GF, UNICEF
 - Care and treatment: LG, FHI, GF, AHF, QG
 - Community and home-based care and support: FHI, WV, GF, QG
- **However, no one donor/organization can meet all needs for comprehensive prevention, care and treatment services**

Importance of coordination

- Ensure that programs are unified and complement each other
- Improve effectiveness of programs
- Ensure that resources are not wasted
- Help PLHIV or other clients access and receive the best quality of services

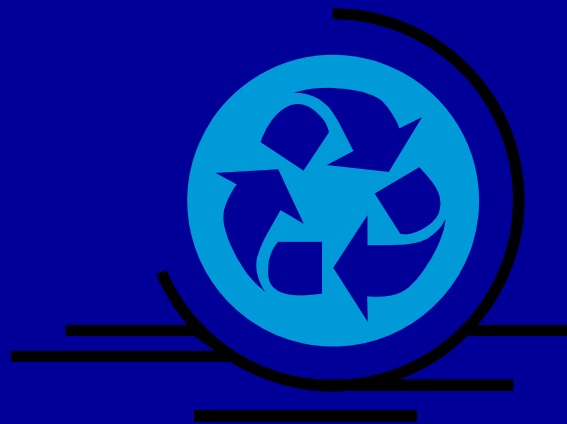
Coordination Mechanism

- Established the Provincial Coordination Committee for Continuum of Prevention-Care Network of Services (CCCoC)
- CCCoC plays role of assisting PHS and PAC in coordinating HIV prevention-to-care continuum network of services in Hai Phong

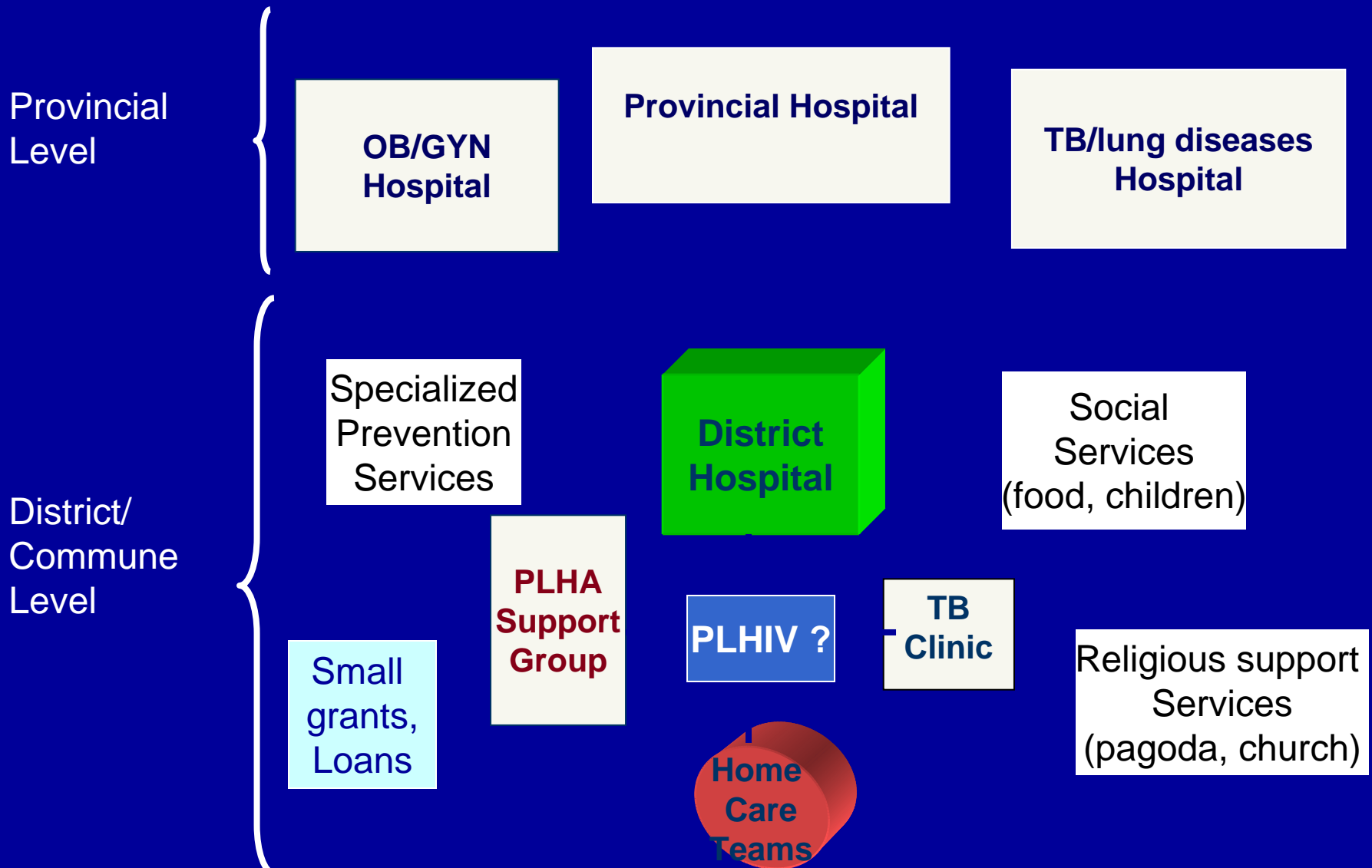
Definition of Continuum of Care

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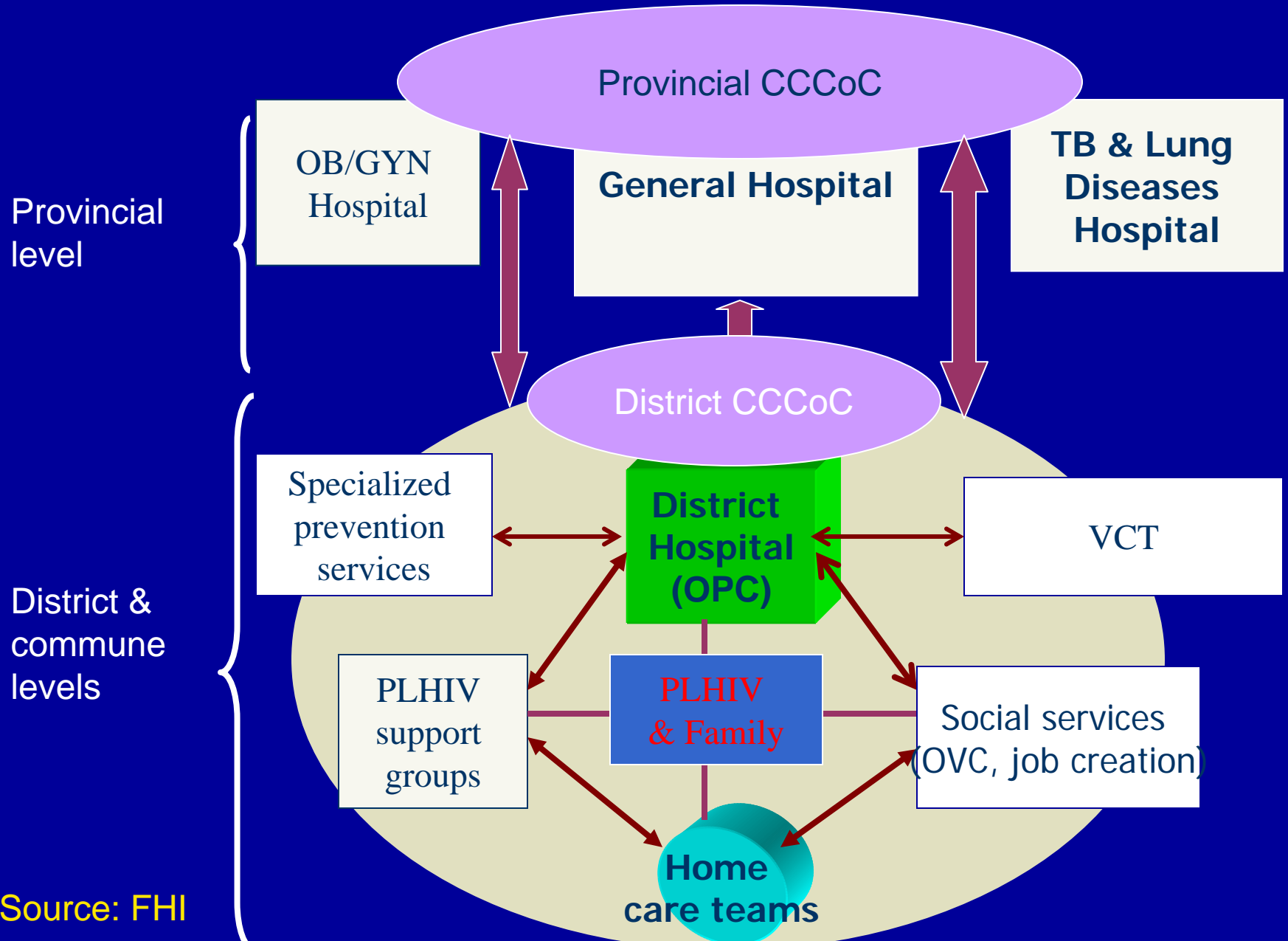
a **well-coordinated network** of complementary HIV prevention, treatment, care and support services provided by different organizations which together add up to a **comprehensive service package** for adults, children, youth and families vulnerable to, living with and affected by HIV/AIDS so that they are able to access the different services they need **throughout their lives**.



Before CoC Network Established



CoC Network in Place



Provincial CCCoC

- **Chairperson: Director of PHS**
- **Standing Vice-Chairman: Director of PAC**
- **Members:**
 - **Service providers: General hospital, TV & Lung diseases Hospital, OB/GYN Hospital, OPCs, VCT sites, ...**
 - **Beneficiaries: Per Outreach workers, PLHIV support groups**
 - **Mass organizations: Women's Union, Youth Union**

Functions & Tasks of the Provincial CCCoC

- Advise the Provincial People's Committee in allocation of government and project resources to appropriately respond to the epidemic
- Coordinate interventions and services to avoid overlapping and wasting resources
- Conduct mapping of interventions
- Planning and coordination of services
- Unify reporting forms and indicators
- Unify testing and referral forms used for the whole province

Functions & Tasks of the Provincial CCCoC (cont.)

- Link services from prevention to care to treatment together
- Provide timely feedback to service providers regarding results of their referral
- Resolve problems related to referral
- Work with service providers to improve the quality of services to meet clients' needs

Coordination Activities

1. Hold specialized meetings with:
 - OPCs
 - VCT sites
 - TB and HIV programs
 - Peer outreach programs
 - PMTCT programs
2. Hold coordination meetings with all programs: feedback about referral between services
3. Develop and print unified reporting and service forms

Coordination Outcomes

- Directions for program implementation unified
- Service outlets receive timely feedback to improve the quality of their services
- Services provided more effectively
- Limit overlapping of services
- Maximum use of resources
- Service procedures simplified to facilitate clients' easy access
- Provincial People's Committee advised how to allocate funding for HIV/AIDS program in FY 2008

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