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## Looking Forward: Exploring VMMC Sustainability and Ensuring Quality

### Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision 2021: A Gateway to Adolescent Boys and Men

**Monday, July 18, 08:00am – 10:00am**  
**Session Room 11**

UNAIDS and WHO are co-hosting a satellite session to launch the VMMC new strategic directions through 2021. This first year of the Sustainable Development Goal era (2016 – 2030) provides an opportunity to implement new strategic directions that are aligned with global goals and a people-centered approach. The session will examine the directions including focusing scale-up and enhancing service packages, platforms and partnerships for adolescent boys and men towards achieving the new UNAIDS fast track HIV incidence reduction targets.

### Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision as Primary HIV Prevention: Maximizing Our Investment and Considerations for Sustainability

**Monday, July 18, 10:15am – 12:15pm**  
**Session Room 11**

This satellite, sponsored by PEPFAR and USAID through the AIDSFree Project, will provide a summary of VMMC and early infant male circumcision (EIMC)-related research findings to be published in July 2016 in two journal collections in *PLOS* and *Global Health: Science and Practice*. The *PLOS* collection, focused on VMMC modeling, was developed in collaboration with USAID, the World Bank, and the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. The *Global Health: Science and Practice* collection, focused on EIMC, was produced in collaboration with UNICEF. Results with significant policy- and strategy-level consequences for national HIV programs will be highlighted. A moderated panel discussion following presentation of the research will feature key stakeholders sharing their experiences in scaling up VMMC and their ideas about future directions. Members of the audience will be encouraged to participate actively in the dialogue.

## Updated Clinical Manuals on Medical Male Circumcision for Ongoing Safe, Quality Services

Monday, July 18, 12:30pm – 14:30pm  
Session Room 9

WHO, UNAIDS, and Jhpiego developed the *Manual for Male Circumcision Under Local Anesthesia* in 2008 to serve as the international technical resource for HIV prevention programs introducing medical male circumcision services. To date, the manual has been adopted or adapted for use in 14 African countries. To complement this, COSECSA, PSI, and CDC developed the *Adverse Event (AE) Action Guide*, standardizing the diagnosis and management of AEs. Both documents have served the needs of health ministries, policy makers, trainers, and health care workers in reaching over 10 million boys and men with safe circumcision for HIV prevention by 2015. Since initial editions of both manuals, extensive experience and standard practice have advanced. This year, WHO and Jhpiego will launch the 2nd editions of the manual and the *AE Action Guide* and highlight the key updates of relevance to program planners and service providers.

## Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision Quality Assurance and Quality Improvement: Lessons Learned from East and Southern Africa

Thursday, July 21, 18:30pm – 20:30pm  
Session Room 9

This two-hour satellite event, sponsored by PEPFAR and USAID through the ASSIST Project, will demonstrate how external quality assurance (EQA) and continuous quality improvement (CQI) approaches are improving VMMC service quality and patient outcomes in six East and Southern African countries. Speakers will share results and available tools to support programs to improve quality of medical male circumcision services. Presentations will be followed by a panel discussion among stakeholders to share lessons learned and implications for other countries and HIV program areas.



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