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**Elizabeth Glaser
Pediatric AIDS Foundation**
Fighting for an AIDS-free generation

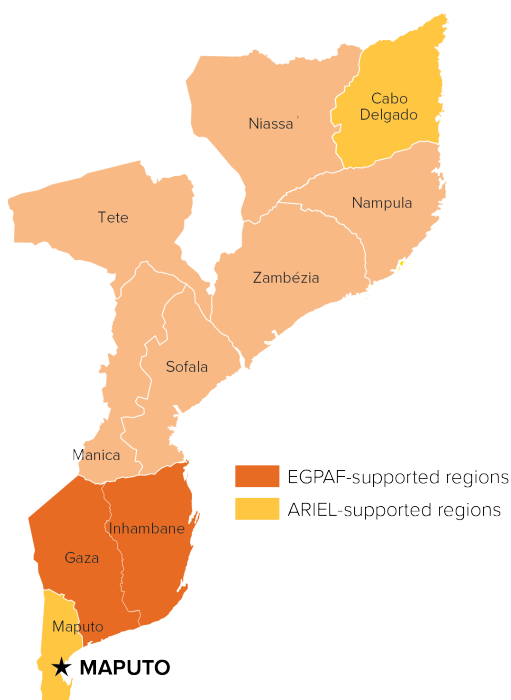
THE MOZAMBIQUE PROGRAM

Working with Women, Children, and Families to End Pediatric AIDS

COUNTRY PROFILE*

Population	30,067,000
Under 5 mortality	71 per 1,000 live births
HIV prevalence among general population	13.2%
Maternal mortality	489 per 100,000 live births
Women enrolled in PMTCT services who are retained at 12 months	67%
Children (0-14 years of age) living with HIV	200,000
Deaths due to AIDS	51,000
Coverage of adults and children receiving antiretroviral therapy (ART)	60%

EGPAF-MOZAMBIQUE PROGRAM GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE



EGPAF IN MOZAMBIQUE

In 2004, the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF) began implementing a prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission (PMTCT) program in the Nampula, Cabo Delgado, Maputo, and Gaza provinces in Mozambique. Currently, EGPAF-Mozambique supports the Ministry of Health in providing HIV services at 100 adolescent-friendly (AJUDA) health facilities in Gaza, and 49 AJUDA health facilities in Inhambane

EGPAF works in close partnership with the Ministry of Health to ensure that women, children, adolescents, youth, and families living with and affected by HIV and AIDS receive the care and treatment they need to lead healthy and active lives. EGPAF-Mozambique's work includes increasing and expanding access to HIV-related services, strengthening existing PMTCT and HIV care and treatment services, and improving monitoring and evaluation systems. We also aim to improve the capacity of national, local, and provincial health departments, health facilities, and communities and contribute to the development and implementation of national policies and guidelines. We collaborate with community-based organizations to sensitize and mobilize local communities around HIV/AIDS issues. Additionally, EGPAF promotes sustainability and local ownership of HIV and AIDS programs by enhancing capacity of its affiliate organization, Fundação Ariel Glaser contra o SIDA Pediátrico. Fundação Ariel Glaser has expanded HIV prevention, care and treatment services to 194 sites in Maputo and Cabo Delgado provinces.

2020 COUNTRY-WIDE SUPPORT

Currently in Mozambique, EGPAF is actively:



Testing over **1.5 million individuals** for HIV, returning results with counseling, per year



Supplying lifesaving antiretroviral treatment to **nearly 225,000 individuals** living with HIV



Providing PMTCT services to nearly **13,000 pregnant women**



Ensuring **nearly 12,000 babies** received their first virologic HIV test within 8 weeks of life

* Sources: Joint United Nations Programme on HIV and AIDS, HIV and AIDS estimates (2020), and the World Bank population estimates (2020)

** Data as of January 2020

PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION

Project ESCALA (2016-2021)

This U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)-funded cooperative agreement is dedicated to reaching the 90-90-90 targets set forth by the Joint United Nations Programme. It aims to scale up Treatment for All, increasing coverage of high-quality adult and pediatric testing, treatment and retention services. Through Project ESCALA, EGPAF supports the government of Mozambique to achieve epidemic control by building capacity at all levels of the health system for the delivery of sustainable models of facility- and community-based HIV and TB services along the continuum of care. EGPAF continually optimizes support and technical assistance in designated health facilities in 11 districts in Gaza province and 14 districts in Inhambane province targeting first-, second-, and third-line ART providers to synthesize the approaches to identify people living with HIV (PLHIV), initiate PLHIV into care and treatment, and improve quality of care to encourage PLHIV to maintain viral suppression. EGPAF also increases support to patient access to comprehensive TB services.

The Pediatric HIV Breakthrough Partners Collaboration (2020-2023)

This ViiV Healthcare Positive Action for Adolescents-funded project aims to improve the long-term health outcomes of adolescents (ages 10-19) and young adults (ages 20-24) living with HIV. The project promotes meaningful involvement of adolescents and young people in HIV prevention and care and treatment programs, while increasing capacity of health care workers in the provision of these services to this specific population. The project also supports schools to be HIV responsive - strengthening bidirectional referrals between health facilities and educational environments.

Accelerating Patient Access to Optimal Antiretrovirals and Relevant Health Products (Optimal) Project (2020-2022)

This Clinton HIV/AIDS Initiative-funded project aims to streamline and accelerate the transition to WHO-recommended optimal pediatric ARV formulations, focusing on dolutegravir (DTG) 10mg dispersible tablets. This project will strengthen information, supply chain, service delivery and pharmacovigilance systems for pediatric ARVs; and generate evidence to inform the rapid uptake and roll-out of future pediatric treatments, as they

become globally available. Mozambique is one of the 4 countries implementing this global project. The ultimate goal is to respond to critical gaps in pediatric and adolescent HIV services.

The Coronavirus Preparedness and Response through IPC Project (2020-2021)

This is a CDC funded project, through implementing partner, FGH, which implements infection prevention and control (IPC) activities in Gaza and Inhambane provinces. The aim of the project is to control the spread of COVID-19 through the provision of supplies needed, including tablets, internet connection, phone credit and zoom licenses; IPC products (masks, shields, hygiene kits); small renovations to health facilities to ensure infection control; informational materials to convey COVID-19 risk reduction to general populations; and support for supervision and sample transportation of COVID-19 tests.

ADVOCACY

EGPAF-Mozambique advocates at the national-level to ensure the availability of policies which support implementation of effective HIV prevention, care and treatment services for pregnant women, mothers, children, and families. EGPAF works with the government of Mozambique, private partners, and other stakeholders to educate and mobilize communities around HIV/AIDS, assist in the development of policies related to prevention of HIV. We also contribute to the creation of national strategies and guidelines associated with HIV and AIDS care and treatment.

RESEARCH

EGPAF is dedicated to the advancement of operations research focused on the improvement of prevention, care, and treatment of HIV and AIDS in Mozambique. Current research projects include an assessment of institutional barriers to access post-exposure prophylaxis and related services by sexual violence survivors, a program evaluation of the index case HIV testing approach, an evaluation looking at care given to patients with advanced HIV disease, and an analysis of trends in male-to-female ratio among adult (over 15 years of age) patients receiving EGPAF-supported HIV and TB services. Past research projects have examined seroconversion in pregnant and lactating women, decentralized screening of TB, the impact of PBF, and barriers to pediatric HIV care.

For more information on the EGPAF-Mozambique program, please visit

<http://www.pedaids.org/countries/mozambique>

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