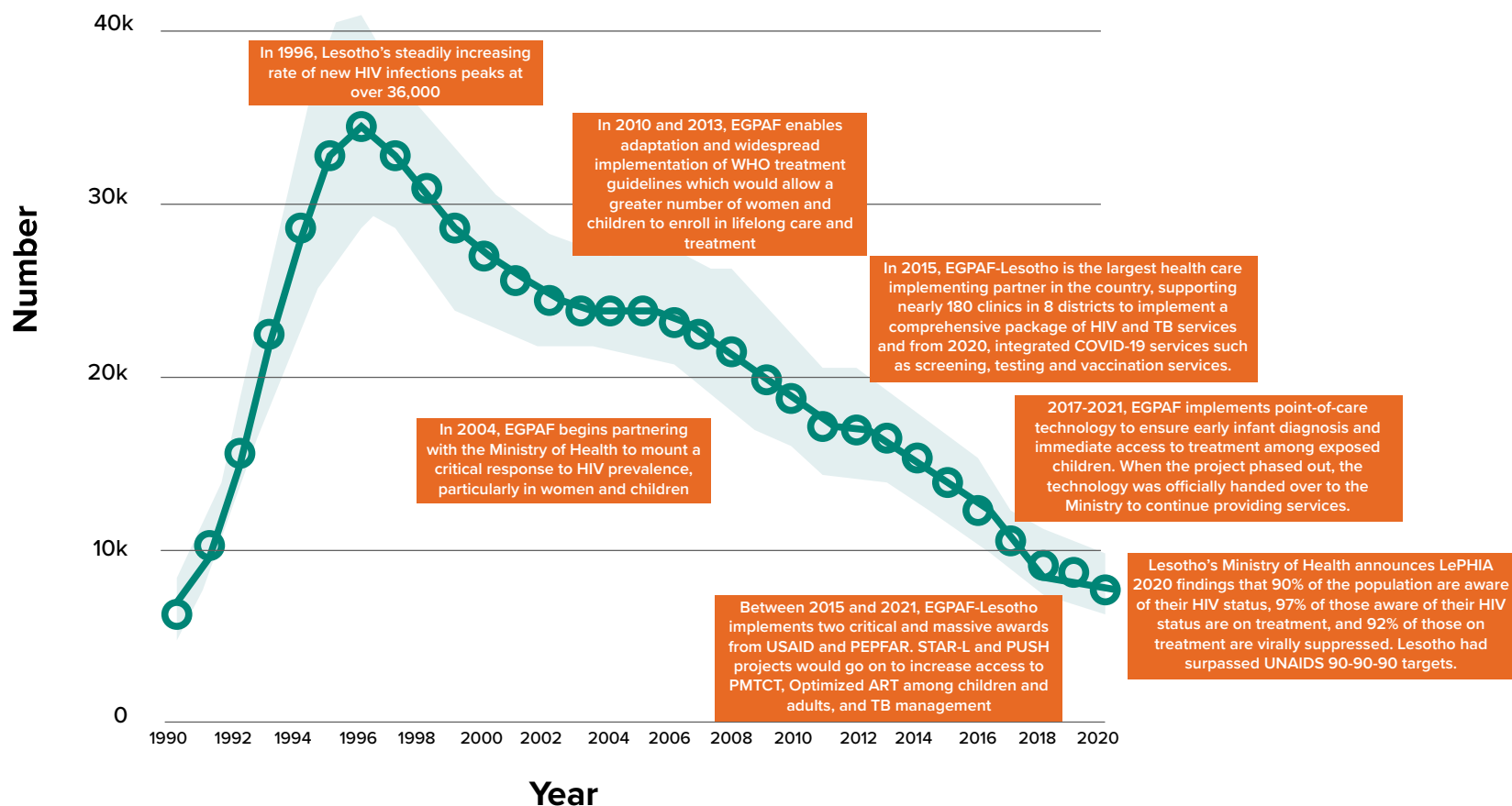




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### New HIV infections (all ages)



Source: AIDSINFO.unaids.org



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HIV is the leading cause of death in Lesotho, affecting nearly a quarter of the population. TB is the nation's second leading cause of death and a dangerous opportunistic infection for people living with HIV. The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF), seeks to end pediatric HIV and AIDS and support delivery of high-quality and comprehensive health services to women, men, adolescents and children through implementation of HIV prevention, care, and treatment programs, advocacy of supportive health policies, and operations research to inform better health service delivery. EGPAF began collaborating with Lesotho's Ministry of Health in 2004 and we've had the honor of standing beside Lesotho's leadership as they moved new HIV infections from [24,000 per year in 2004, to 7,000 in 2021](#).

The leadership of the Basotho people decided a long time ago that the health of their nation was a priority. In so doing, they have, alongside allies and partners like EGPAF, strengthened infrastructure, developed novel solutions to health crises, and inevitably improved access to health care across hundreds of facilities across the nation. EGPAF-Lesotho has been a central and trusted implementing partner and technical assistance provider in this progress.

From our inception in the country in 2004, we offered technical assistance and service implementation around prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission (PMTCT) services. Our small PMTCT projects grew to full-scale implementation of comprehensive and integrated approaches to family health. In the last decade, EGPAF has ensured access to novel treatment solutions by adapting revised WHO guidelines, trained thousands of health workers across the country on HIV and TB management, created access to point-of-care diagnostics, ensured woman living with HIV has access also to breast and cervical cancer screening, created clinics for the specific needs of men and for adolescent and youth populations; all while advocating for the health and needs of children and their families. In recent years, we've taken responsibility for border SARS-CoV-2 testing, and COVID-19 vaccination access across the country. This work created opportunity for us to provide clinical and operations research. These achievements result in better health outcomes and in gaining excellence in this field and solutions for Lesotho.



Photo: Makopano Letsatsi/EGPAF, 2019



## EGPAF's Solutions Offerings in Lesotho

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## Areas of Technical Expertise

[HIV Prevention, Care, and Treatment](#)

[Pediatric HIV Prevention, Care and Treatment, including pediatric treatment optimization](#)

[Comprehensive Adult HIV and Health Service Delivery](#)

[Prevention of mother-to-child HIV Transmission](#)

[Cervical Cancer Screening and Treatment](#)

[Adolescent health programming](#)

[HIV Self-Testing Procurement and Training](#)

[Point-of-Care Diagnostics](#)

[HIV Pre-exposure Prophylaxis](#)

[Adult and Pediatric Tuberculosis \(TB\)](#)

[Male inclusion in health programming](#)

[Advanced HIV Disease Prevention and Management](#)

[COVID-19](#)



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### The Power of an AIDS-free Generation Is in Our Hands

“We all aspire for the gift of an AIDS-free generation,” says Kananelo. “For those who were born with HIV, it is time to heal wounds of the past and build bridges to the brighter future. I can now proudly say to my son that HIV ended with us—because, with prevention of mother-to-child HIV transmission, an HIV-free generation is now a reality.”

[Read more](#) about Kananelo, an inspirational youth leader in Lesotho