

# Strengthening Local Capacity for an AIDS-Free Generation

## Our Approach to External Technical Assistance



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

# About Us

- **The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation** (EGPAF) is a proven leader in the global fight to end HIV and AIDS, and an advocate for every child to live a full and healthy life into adulthood.
- Founded through a mother's determination, we are driven to see a world where no other mother, child or family is devastated by this disease. For more than 30 years, EGPAF has been a leader in meeting urgent needs in pediatric HIV and AIDS in the world's most affected regions.



**14 country  
offices**



**21 countries  
with EGPAF  
activities**





# The Challenge: Pandemics

- In September 2022, the World Health Organization published a reflection on the COVID-19 pandemic and called on us to **"imagine the different directions that the current and future pandemics might take and to expand the range of plausible futures."**<sup>1</sup>
- Pandemics of infectious and chronic diseases challenge the health of the public, and they threaten global gains made in addressing past inequities.
- Local solutions to these pandemics demand local responses.
- The drive for localization and provision of technical assistance (TA) sustains gains from support by international organizations.

1. World Health Organization, *Imagining the future of pandemics and epidemics: a 2022 perspective* (Geneva: World Health Organization, 2022).



# The Solution: Strengthening Local Capacity

- We strengthen regional, national, and local capacity through tailored TA to sustain a high-quality, locally owned response to end the public health threats of our time among children, youth, and families.
- We identify challenges to the public's health, co-create solutions, and accelerate those solutions to scale in short-term, medium-term, and long-term engagements with our partners.
- Our External TA Unit is dedicated to producing high-quality outputs with our partners by leveraging EGPAF's 30+ years of experience in the global response to HIV and AIDS across 30+ countries.



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**We accelerate  
innovative  
technical  
assistance  
towards better  
health for all**

## **EGPAF is trusted by:**

- Conrad N. Hilton Foundation
- The ELMA Philanthropy Services
- Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Johnson & Johnson
- Unitaid
- U.S. Agency for International Development
- U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
- U.S. Department of Defense
- ViiV Healthcare
- CDC Foundation
- The Keith Haring Foundation, Inc.
- Communications Workers of America
- Drugs for Neglected Diseases Initiative
- Jewelers for Children
- African Society for Laboratory Medicine
- Gilead Foundation
- The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria
- Bloomberg Philanthropies
- The Children's Investment Fund Foundation



# Here's how we work:

Leveraging our roster of technical experts as consultants, EGPAF implements a **tailored technical assistance** (TA) package in close collaboration with partners.

Share  
information

Conduct  
a needs  
assessment

Develop a  
tailored TA  
package

Implement

Monitor

Measure

Evaluate

# Our approach

EGPAF'S seven core values guide our approach:



1. Integrity



5. Innovation



2. Excellence



6. Equity



3. Teamwork



7. Passion



4. Leadership

We respond to the public health threats of our time with high-quality, contextually responsive, and strategic TA packages.



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# Our Principles

- Mining our global network of staff experts and technical resources to provide the highest quality support for every task
- Grounding our work in granular data analysis and a detailed, nuanced understanding of the context of each task
- Developing tailored, yet adaptable, resources to ensure that TA is relevant and contributes to bringing effective approaches to scale
- Ensuring the continuity of our staff coverage for tasks to boost the quality of TA
- Employing a customer service approach to the management, problem-solving, and completion of TA assignments





# Our TA Packages

**Advanced HIV Disease**

**Pediatric HIV**

**Pediatric TB**

**Triple Elimination**

**Cervical Cancer**

**Family Planning**

**COVID-19**

- Strategic Planning and policy development
- Expert consultations
- Training
- Mentorship and supportive supervision
- Guideline development
- Digital solutions
- Communities of practice
- Task shifting
- Quality improvement and program optimization
- Capacity building and health systems strengthening
- Secondment of staff
- Managing projects or programs

# Our Expertise



Integrated and comprehensive child health programs



Prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV



Advanced HIV disease



Adolescent health programming



Integrated adult health care



Adult and childhood TB



Point-of-care diagnostics



Reproductive and maternal and child health, including cervical cancer screening and treatment



Emerging pandemic response



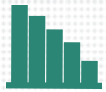
HIV prevention, care, and treatment for children



# Evidence of EGPAF's Global Impact



Since 2000, EGPAF and our Ariel Affiliates have reached over **33 million pregnant women** worldwide with services to prevent transmission of HIV to their babies.



Since our inception in 1988, there has been a **95% decline** in new pediatric HIV infections in the United States, due to PMTCT services. Globally, new pediatric infections have been reduced **by more than half** since the year 2000, but progress has been stagnant



Since 2000, there has been a **70% decline** in infections in children.\*



Since 2000, there has been a **75% decline** in deaths in kids.\*\*



EGPAF and Ariel Affiliates programs have **averted over 410,000 new HIV infections** in children since 2000 by offering prevention of mother-to-child transmission services to pregnant women.



To date, **over 500 EGPAF-supported psychosocial support groups** have addressed the needs of children and adolescents affected by and infected with HIV, with adolescent-friendly tools and resources including peer counseling that enables conversations about safe sex and fighting stigma around HIV and AIDS.

\*Global AIDS Monitoring, 2021, UNAIDS Epidemiological Estimates, 2021

\*\*UNAIDS Epidemiological Estimates 2021



# Evidence of EGPAF's Global Impact



Over the last year, EGPAF has provided **nearly 725,000 pregnant women** with PMTCT services. Out of the 725,000 pregnant women who accessed PMTCT services via EGPAF programs last year, approximately **43% were AGYW, between the ages of 15 years and 24 years.**



In the last year, EGPAF has tested **309,000 children** (0–14 years of age) for HIV.



EGPAF currently supports over **1.1 million people**, including nearly **45,000 children**, with lifesaving antiretroviral therapy through its programs.



EGPAF is actively engaged in conducting **67 research studies.**



In 2021, EGPAF started **22,213 new patients** on PrEP in seven countries.



In the past year, EGPAF has tested **nearly 2.9 million people for HIV** and initiated over **124,000 people** onto lifesaving treatment and services.



In the past year, EGPAF has provided nearly **575,000 adolescents and youth** access to HIV testing and counseling and currently supports nearly 53,000 adolescents and youth with the treatment they need to stay healthy.



In the last six months, EGPAF and our Ariel Affiliates have **screened 1 million patients on ART** for TB. Including **over 31,000 children under the age of 15 years.**



In the last six months, EGPAF and our Ariel Affiliates have screened **85,000 HIV-positive women for cervical cancer.**



Out of the 45,000 children on ART, **67% were on MMD models** (either 3–5 months or 6 or more months). This is on contrast to 84% of adults receiving ART who were on MMD models.



# Select Projects and Publications



- [G-POWER Girls—Protected, Optimistic, Wise, Enlightened, Responsible, and Resilient](#)
- [Using U=U to Take Ownership of Our Lives and Our Futures](#)
- [Quantification and supply planning for commodities needed to deliver the WHO-recommended advanced HIV disease package of care](#)
- [Leveraging the PEPFAR Platform to Expand and Integrate Family Planning Services in the Global Response to HIV and AIDS](#)
- [Implementation of Cervical Cancer Prevention, Screening, and Management Programming Across Select EGPAF-Supported Countries: Spotlighting Lesotho](#)
- [The Telephone-Based Syndromic Surveillance Survey of COVID-19 in Malawi](#)
- [PrEP Key Populations Tools](#)
- [Psychosocial Support Mental Health of Frontline Healthcare Workers During the COVID-19 Crisis in Eswatini](#)
- [Evaluation and Performance Measurement Plan \(EPMP\) Final Report: Enhanced Adherence Study](#)
- [Delivering Technical Assistance Project \(DELTA2\)](#)





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