



## **PEPFAR: The Next Phase of US Global AIDS Assistance, 2009-2013**

### **Resources:**

- \$48 billion authorized to support HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria programs from 2009-2013.
- \$35.4 billion dedicated to HIV/AIDS services.
- 10% earmarked for orphans and other vulnerable children.
- Up to \$2 billion authorized for the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria for FY'09; unspecified amounts for subsequent years.

### **Focus Countries and US Travel Policy:**

- PEPFAR will continue work in the existing 15 focus countries. Additional countries eligible through compacts or agreements with the Office of the Global AIDS Coordinator.
- US ban on immigration and travel for people living with HIV/AIDS was struck down. PLHIV can visit the US on temporary visas or apply for asylum or refugee status; HIV status will no longer be grounds for inadmissibility.

### **Prevention:**

- Requirement that 1/3 of prevention spending go to abstinence-only and faithfulness programs (the "AB earmark") struck down. Countries with generalized epidemics must spend at least 50% of money for sexual prevention on abstinence, faithfulness, partner reduction and delay of sexual debut.
- 12 million new HIV infections averted worldwide over the next five years; 80% coverage of services to prevent mother-to-child transmission.
- Specific plan to address needs of women and girls required. Role of gender-based violence in HIV/AIDS and need for legal protections and economic opportunities for women and girls contained in PEPFAR strategy and activities. Increased attention to research into female-controlled prevention.

### **Treatment, Care and Support:**

- 2 million on treatment as a floor; subsequent increases in the number of people receiving treatment linked to the percentage by which annual appropriations increase.
- Proportion of children receiving care and treatment to be proportionate to number of children requiring services in each country by 2013.
- 12 million people receiving care and support by 2013.
- At least 5 million of those receiving care to be orphans and other vulnerable children.

### **Health Systems and Health Care Workers:**

- 140,000 health care workers and paraprofessionals receiving training and retained.

### **Remaining Problems:**

- Family Planning: No reference to essential component of Universal Access.
- AB: while not a required earmark, language remains confusing to many implementers.
- Prostitution Loyalty Oath remains US law.
- Ban on US support for syringe exchange for injection drug users remains.
- Treatment: requirement that number of people be linked to annual dollar figures appropriated may result in a disincentive to treat people.
- Training: target for health care workers and paraprofessionals includes community health workers; does not address serious shortage of doctors and nurses.