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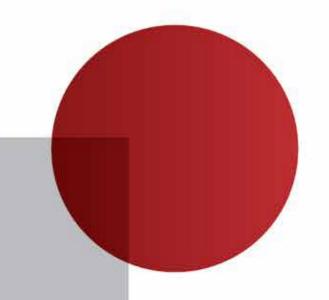
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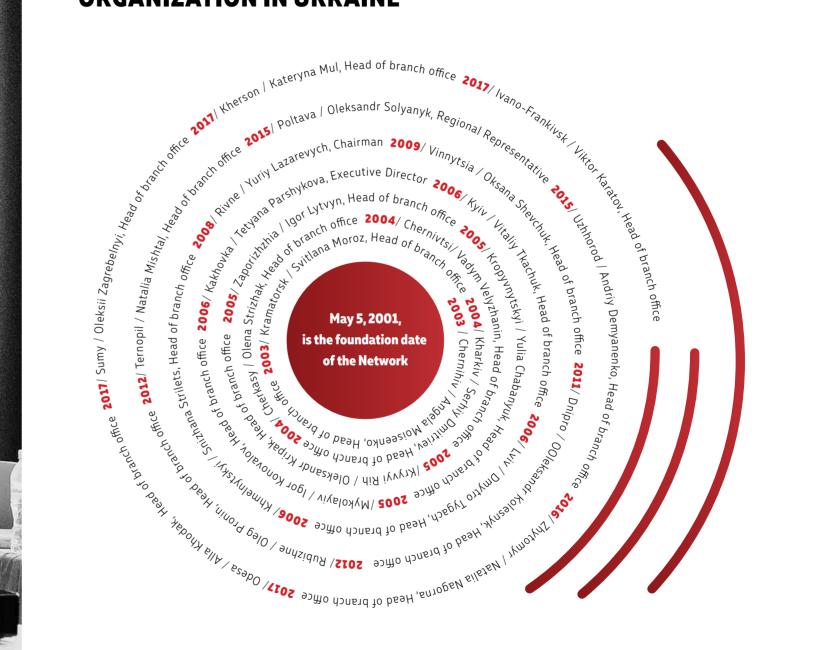


It was a fantastic year with fantastic results. We have succeeded in launching healthcare reform in the country and demonstrated how the NGO sector can effectively co-operate with the state. We opened up new horizons for activism and the fight for life . We raised the bar to the level unattainable before. This is, in fact, a historic event for all NGOs in EECA region when everyone is keeping a close eye on Ukraine's achievements and our methods of fight. All this was made possible by the strength and professionalism of our regional branch offices, effective partnership and unconventional solutions. There are no reason and no force that will stop us on our way to 100% of life!

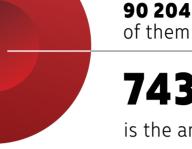
Dmytro Sherembey

Head of the Coordination Council of CO "All-Ukrainian Network of PLWH

THE NETWORK IS THE LARGEST PATIENTS' ORGANIZATION IN UKRAINE



associate members



full members of the organization 54 700 patients

received ART procured by the Network (Global Fund Projects, PEPFAR)

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regional **branches** UAH 293 359 744*

of the total amount of deliveries more than 1 000 000 packages of ARVs about 1000 deliveries to healthcare institutions of Ukraine

UAH 16 144 140* of savings on the purchase of medicines (due to effective procurement procedures of the Network)

91.8% of timely ARV supplies are delivered by the Network

* According to the official exchange rate of the hryvnia against the dollar (average for 2017)

191 651 clients received the support of the Network in 2017

of them were clients with HIV-positive status

743 397 499,95 UAH

is the amount of the Network's investments in overcoming the HIV/AIDS epidemic in 2017

43 000 patients

of the state program received ART that the Network provided to ensure continuous three months' treatment

UAH 93 207 461*

is the total amount of goods purchased for diagnostics

including:

- 84 500 rapid HIV tests
- more than 90 000 CD4 tests
- more than 144 000 viral load tests



For seventeen years, the All-Ukrainian Network of PLWH has made remarkable progress from a group of activists joined by their common disease and desire to live to a powerful non-government organization that implements large-scale projects in Ukraine with the support of national and international partners,

The Network became an example for HIVpositive people in other countries. The expertise of the Network's specialists is wanted both in Ukraine and abroad. This is a vivid example of how persistence and continuous work could be converted into professionalism and result.

Alla Shcherbynska

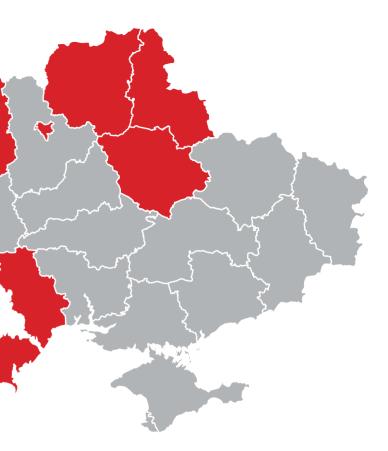
Advisor to the Director General of the Public Health Center of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, Member of the Network's Supervisory Board.

667 patients

with hepatitis C in Chernihiv, Poltava, Lviv, Sumy, Zhytomyr, Odesa regions and the city of Kyiv received treatment provided by the Network as humanitarian aid

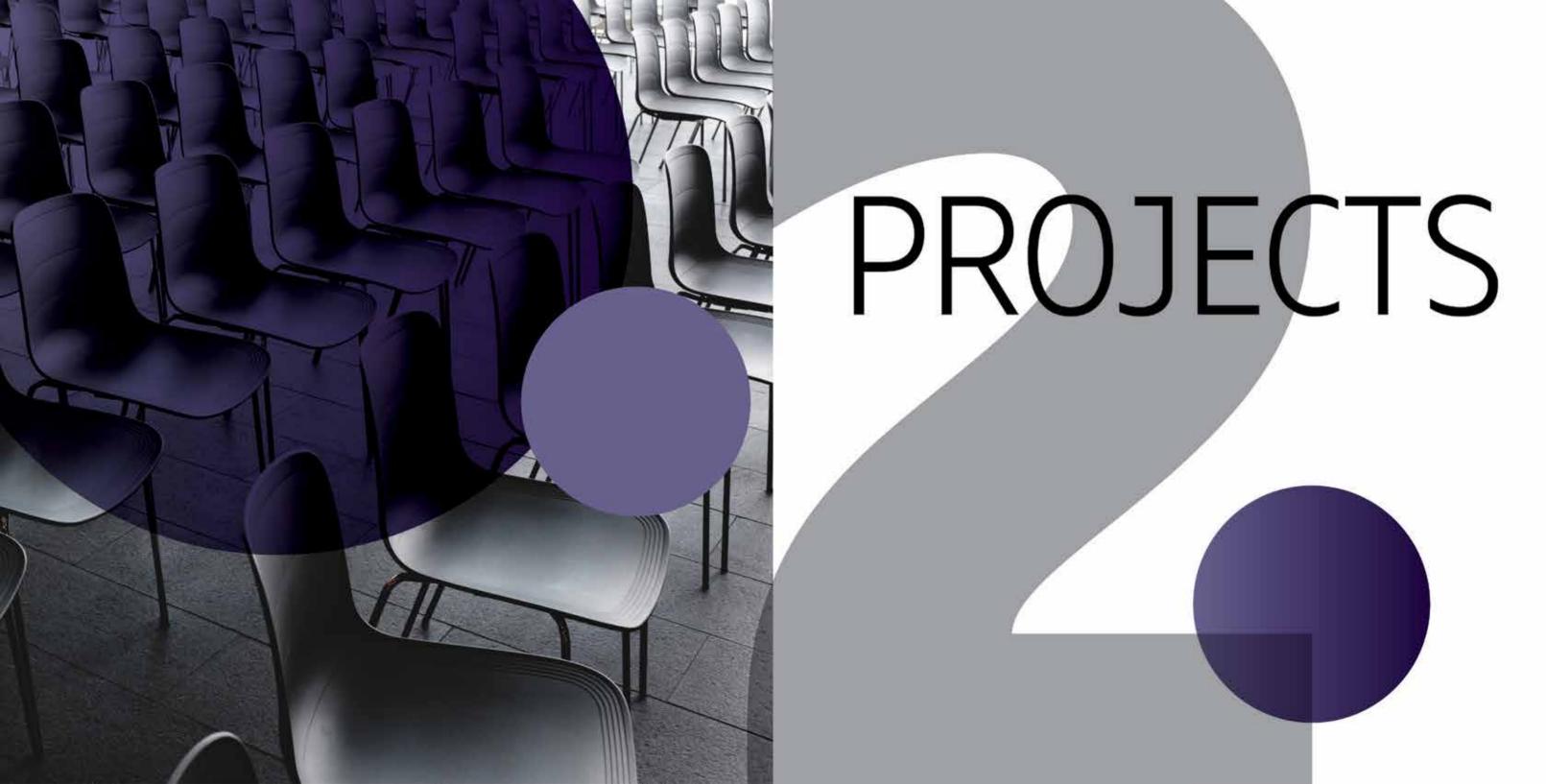
UAH 17 077 680*

* According to the official exchange rate of the hryvnia against the dollar (average for 2017)





The Network's procurement unit has successfully undergone four independent audits during the year





THE JOINT CONSOLIDATED PROGRAM ON HIV AND TB **FOR 2015 - 2017 IN UKRAINE**

implemented with the support of the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

HIV

THE NETWORK AND THE GLOBAL UNAIDS 90-90-90 STRATEGY

90

80302

30 078

services

90 TESTING

> 33 057 people were tested for HIV with rapid tests

1068 clients identified

482 • patients

received ART 20% 4%

maximum average HIV prevalence prevalence rate in the Network's rate projects

1%

average rate in the country

was new clients 14710

20%



TREATMENT AND CARE

clients received

of them were new clients

74 316/93% clients received ART



54%

of clients who received ART have undetectable viral load

51% increase compared to 2016

87% of the all ART patients in Ukraine are clients of the Network's projects

PENITENTIARY SYSTEM

PROVIDING ASSISTANCE TO CLIENTS IN THE ZONE OF THE ANTI-TERRORIST OPERATION

Luhar

Donetsk



146 penitentiary facilities

63805 prisoners

received HIV prevention services

92% of all prisoners in the country



28796 prisoners were tested for HIV

> 45% of prisoners who received HIV prevention services

2.2% HIV diagnosis rate among prisoners tested for HIV

4847 HIV-positive prisoners received care and support services

3772 prisoners received ART (551 more than in 2016)

79%

14 596 clients received ART

support in the zone

3 6 9 3 new clients who received ART for the first time in 2017

Interaction with the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner within the framework of the national prevention mechanism

Organization and support of 9 monitoring visits to the correctional centers of the State Criminal-Executive Service of Ukraine and local healthcare facilities in order to assess the compliance with the right of PLWH to health

Six reports on violations were sent to the relevant ministries

Participation in the expert council of the Department of the National Preventive Mechanism of the Secretariat of the Ukrainian Parliament Commissioner for Human Rights

Preparation of a strategy for the development of the national preventive mechanism **2022**



of the Anti-Terrorist Operation

NGOs provide services to clients at 45 ART sites in the Donetsk region

at 10 ART sites in the Luhansk region

Innovative solutions:

Four urgent grants were additionally provided to solve the problems of healthcare facilities which work with HIV-positive people in the ATO area:







Purchase of diagnostic equipment for the Mariupol City AIDS Center



Repair works in the Luhansk Regional AIDS Center in Severodonetsk



Increased access of prisoners to the diagnosis and treatment of HIV and TB

TUBERCULOSIS (TB)

2823

2 729 patients with drugsusceptible tuberculosis received medical and social support during outpatient treatment

1972 patients completed treatment by the end of 2017

TREATMENT EFFECTIVENESS IS 96,3%

patients with drug-susceptible tuberculosis received medical and social support during outpatient treatment in 2017

Introduction of a pilot model of outpatient treatment for TB patients, with the participation of primary care doctors:

94 clients with drug-susceptible tuberculosis had medical and social support during outpatient treatment

New financing mechanism of the outpatient treatment model for TB patients was developed and implemented. It envisages the involvement and encouragement of family doctors and primary care physicians to provide services to TB patients receiving outpatient treatment under the state obligations regarding financing of TB primary care services and building a sustainable model of service delivery.

GEOGRAPHY:

the city of Zhytomyr

IS IMPLEMENTED and the Chernihiv region by NGO "Infection Control" with the support of the Network

THE PILOT MODEL

TREATMENT EFFECTIVENESS IS 95,7%





THE RESPECT PROJECT:

populations in health care facilities of Ukraine

RESPECT: The story that initiates changes

The project was implemented by the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) in the framework of the US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) in 2013-2017.



health care facilities were covered by the project activities

Kyiv, Lviv, Kryvyi Rih, as well as the Kyiv, Lviv, Mykolayiv, Cherkasy and Kirovohrad regions



7647 medical workers were trained within the framework of project



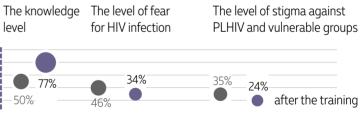
AS A RESULT OF THE PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION, THE OVERALL LEVEL OF STIGMA AGAINST PLHIV AND MARP AMONG HEALTHCARE WORKERS WAS REPORTED TO HAVE DECREASED MORE THAN THREEFOLD, FROM 43% TO 13%



family doctors took part in advanced training within the project:

reducing HIV-related stigma and discrimination against most at-risk





x 4,5 following the training family doctors offered HIV testing to patients 4.5 times more frequently

INVOLVING CLIENTS IN HIV TESTING AND TREATMENT



5 513 clients were tested for HIV*



939 clients (17%) were HIV-infected



797 клієнтів clients put on medical supervision

*As a result of the realization of "Models of patients' involvement in HIV testing and treatment on the initiative of health care workers"

IMPROVING ACCESS OF FORMER PRISONERS TO HIV TREATMENT

10 regions	38 cross-sectoral teams worked in detention facilities	140 specialists	5 training sessions
38	1568	488	
penitentiary	prisoners were tested for	former prisoners received medical	
institutions	HIV with rapid tests	and social services, among them	
received computers	1 544 of them had	165 PLHIV were registered in the	
	negative results	AIDS centers after the release	
	25 had positive results	78 PLHIV rem	ained on ART
	of them had confirmed		hs after the release
	IFA test results	Ū.	
			icipated in substitution
		1.2.	ification, rehabilitation uction programs after



ADVOCACY AS KEY COMPONENT TO SUPPORT HEALTHCARE REFORMS AND INCREASE ACCESS TO TREATMENT

SUPPORT WAS PROVIDED TO:

e-procurement system **PROZORRO**

DOZORRO monitoring portal **BIPRO** analytical portal

MEDICAL PROCUREMENT

Was done via international organizations such as CROWN AGENTS, UNDP AND UNICEF Procurements amounting to total of UAH **939 MILLION** were audited

The state budget savings from audited procurements amounted to UAH**373.6 MILLION**

or about **39%**

CREATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF A CIVIL SOCIETY NETWORK TO MONITOR MEDICAL SERVICES PROCUREMENT



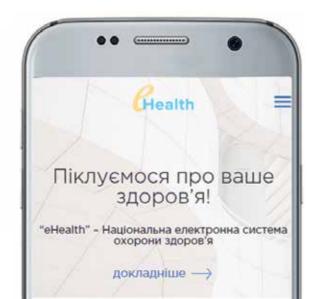
Ensuring the direct participation of PLHIV in the preparation and monitoring of public procurement of essential medications

participation in MOH's working groups and committees, etc.

SUPPORT FOR HEALTH CARE REFORM

Development of the e-Health system





Research on corruption and ineffectiveness of public medicines procurement for patients with HIV, tuberculosis and viral hepatitis was conducted

with the support of NGO Anti-Corruption Action Center



Appeals against **130** procurements amounting to

UAH 80 MILLION

Misuse of UAH **7.5 MILLION** prevented

Procurement specialists from 25 AIDS centers received counseling and training

Implementation of the project helped to eliminate the majority of corruption schemes in the area of HIV, TB and HCV procurement.

Public sector representatives created a transparent system of public procurement and procurement monitoring in the sphere of health care.



We remember times in Ukraine when medicines were affordable only to a few of those who needed treatment. Those times were the hardest for patients and doctors. Today, almost everyone who needs ARV therapy can get it. But every year, more effective and less toxic drugs appear on the world market. We believe that Ukrainians deserve the best treatment. That is why, thanks to our joint efforts in 2017, Dolutegravir came to Ukraine. Olena Pinchuk's ANTIAIDS Foundation was able to secure the procurement of this drug at the earliest possible time and at the lowest price. Almost half a year after agreeing this decision between the Network and the Foundation, patients in Kyiv began treatment using the most innovative drug available at that time. We are glad that later on Dolutegravir was introduced into procurement lists of Ukrainian government and international donors.

Olga Rudneva

Director of Elena Pinchuk Foundation

JOINT PROJECT OF THE NETWORK AND ELENA PINCHUK FOUNDATION

The Network is a procurement agent of ARV drugs bought at the expense of the Elena Pinchuk Foundation

2017 - 2018

1300 **HIV-positive patients**

were provided with Dolutegravir treatment schemes



For the first time, the innovative drug Dolutegravir was delivered to Ukraine in the framework of the project (Kyiv)





2017

The first 700 treatment courses were delivered



THE BUDGET OF THE PROJECT

IS MORE THAN UAH* 6 500 000

For the first time in Ukraine, HIV-positive patients received treatment bought by a private fund

THE FOOD FOR LIFE PROJECT

A joint project of the Network and the World Food Program in Ukraine





UAH **33 200 000** is the amount of the provided assistance

Assistance was provided to PLHIV who suffered from the military conflict and lived in the conflict zone on Government-controlled territories of the Donetsk and Luhansk regions



60 212

services were provided, including consulting clients for food and nutrition at a time of limited resources

7326

10%[†]

people received food packages

(including HIV-positive children)

an increase in the number of clients.

on ART within the project



Adherence to treatment increased by 34% of the project participants

> The treatment effectiveness among the project participants increased

from 74% to 93%

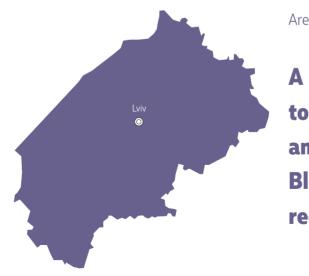
OVERCOMING HIV-RELATED STIGMA IN THE HEALTH CARE SYSTEM: PROTECTING HUMAN RIGHTS Projects supported by the Global Network of People Living with HIV (GNP+)





A case-study research was conducted to explore innovative approaches to overcoming HIVrelated barriers that PLHIV faced in healthcare facilities

A methodical manual "Restoration of the violated rights of people who have been subjected to HIVrelated stigma and discrimination in healthcare facilities of Ukraine: description of cases"





Providing social support to people with HIV infection during blood donation

Area of implementation: the Lviv region

A research was conducted to describe cases of stigma and discrimination in the **Blood Service of the Lviv** region



Treatment and support referral mechanism for clients who learned about their HIV+ status during the procedure of blood donation developed and introducted.



79 medical workers of the Blood Services participated in 8 training sessions

on the reduction of stigma and discrimination against PLHIV and MARP, as well as on general principles of voluntary counseling and testing (VCT)



2177 Counseling services provided to initial blood donors



117 clients were covered by services to reduce self-stigmatization





Centers for the provision of services to IDPs were opened in Kryvyi Rih and Kramatorsk

1976

IDPs received services within the project implementation



of them received assistance at their place of residence



persons received case management services



DURING THE PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION



people initially diagnosed as HIV-positive were detected in the Blood Service



the HIV-positive diagnoses were proved



were registered at the AIDS Center



IDPs with chronic diseases put on medical supervision





cases of legal representation of IDPs' interests related to social, administrative and medical services

11

advocacy and information events aimed at overcoming stigma and discrimination against IDPs in host communities

THE NETWORK'S ACTIVITIES RELATED TO THE TREATMENT OF CHRONIC VIRAL HEPATITIS CFOR PATIENTS WHO HAVE NOT RECEIVED MEDICINES FROM THE STATE BUDGET



PATIENTS RECEIVE MODERN DIRECT ACTING ANTIVIRAL DRUGS



Within project implementation a detailed form of clinical monitoring was developed to measure the medical indicators of the project's effectiveness

THE ACCESS PROJECT

with the support of the United States Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) in the framework of the US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE INFORMATION SYSTEM "HIV-INFECTION IN UKRAINE"

The Network continues to implement the medical information system (MIS HIV) for the full computerization of health care facilities working with HIV+ patients

120 968

406

electronic medical records of patients were entered in the MIS HIV

health care facilities worked with the MIS HIV

1700

801

health workers worked in the system

computers were purchased for the MIS HIV within the project

National Hotline on HIV/AIDS and Tuberculosis

795 consultations on denial of ART or other issues regarding the HIV- and AIDS-related rights of patients were provided for PLHIV



Development of human capacities and health workers' skills

252 health care specialists participated in training on HIV and opportunistic infections treatment

252 on-line consultations on the treatment of complicated HIV/AIDS cases and OI were provided for healthcare specialists

The on-line course "Social work with people who have chronic diseases" was created for social workers on the Prometheus platform

≈1400 registered visitors 28% of all trainees successfully passed the test and received certificates



Othoman Mellouk

As a result of the advocacy actions of the Network and partners, it was possible to achieve sustained funding from the State Budget 2018 of Ukraine for governmentalprograms on HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, viral hepatitis and procurement of substitution therapy medicines

> Due to the procurement of medicines through international organizations, the effective use of public funds in the 2017 budget allowed to save

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for the procurement of TB medicines.

These funds will be used to buy additional drugs in 2018

Othman MELLOUK

UAH 97 200 000

REGISTRATION OF NEW MEDICINES IN UKRAINE

Dolutegravir (generic version)

The Network held a series of negotiations with the manufacturer ViiV Healthcare, the Medicines Patent Pool, the State Expert Center of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine and manufacturers of generic drugs to accelerate the registration of generic Dolutegravir in Ukraine

THE FOLLOWING MEDICINES WERE **INCLUDED IN THE PUBLIC PROCUREMENT NOMENCLATURE FOR THE FIRST TIME**

TREATMENT OF VIRAL HEPATITIS

Sofosbuvir/ Daclatasvir Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir

ESTIMATED AMOUNT OF SAVED FUNDS FOR ARV PROCUREMENT IN UKRAINE IS

JAH **1 273 977 140***

* According to the official exchange rate of the hryvnia against the dollar (average for 2017)

THE PRICE OF MEDICINE WAS REDUCED

HIV TREATMENT



2553 uah* Annual course

Abacavir

3 224 uah*

Annual course

Abacavir/Lamivudine

3883 uah* Annual course

Dolutegravir

1648 uah* Annual course

VIRAL HEPATITIS TREATMENT

Sofosbuvir

6649 uah* 81%↓ Monthly course

Sofosbuvir/Velpatasvir



PRICE FOR

11 516 uah*

THE NETWORK AGAINST PHARMACEUTICAL MONOPOLIES

PATENT FOR SOFOSBUVIR

The Network appealed to Ukrpatent to challenge the patent application of the Sofosbuvir manufacturer

On July 6, Ukrpatent finally revoked manufacturer's patent

PATENT FOR LOPINAVIR/RITONAVIR

The Network makes the effort to revoke the patent on Lopinavir/ Ritonavir

3 hearings in the of the first insta

6 sessions in the

1 session in the **Economic Court**

5 socially signifi near the court covered by the support letter

As a result, in August, the manufacturing company expanded its license to the territory of Ukraine, which significantly reduced the price of the medicine

The Network suc the order for forer ents under the dis

The final court de in 2018

A UNIQUE UKRAINE

59%

7925 uah*

was

13112 uah*

7925 uah*

56%

98%

73 725 uah*

PATENT FOR TENOFOVIR ALAFENAMIDE

The Network seeks patent annulment for TAF (Tenofovir Alafenamide)

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ecision is expected	The final court decision is expected in 2018

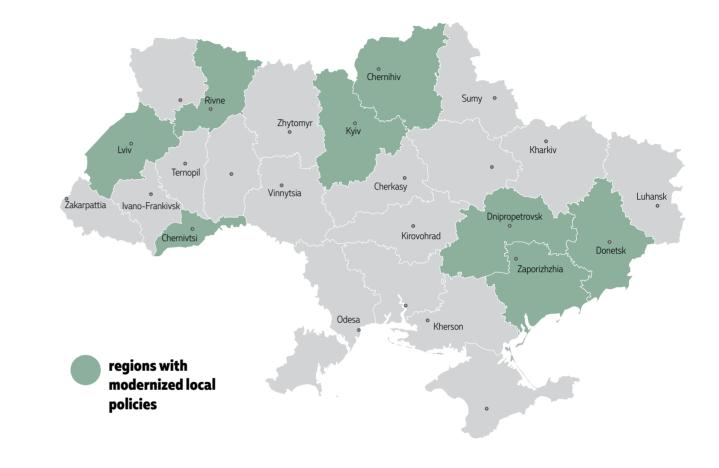






been actively working on the and Central Asia. This is an patients' community and public institutions. And when it will be achieved it will establish new

Volodymyr Kurpita Director of the Public Health Health of Ukraine.



LOCAL POLICIES MAKING

7 REGIONAL STRATEGIES OF SUSTAINABLE RESPONSE to TB, including drug-resistant TB, and HIV/AIDS for the period until 2020

REGIONAL TWO **PROGRAMS WERE ADOPTED** in Kyiv and Donetsk regions

HIV/AIDS

THE NGO "CLUB CHANCE," **CO "LIGHT OF HOPE" AND REGIONAL PARTNERS IMPLEMENTED THESE ACTIVITIES WITHININ THE FRAMEWORK OF THE NETWORK'S SUB-GRANT**

ADDITIONAL FUNDING FROM LOCAL BUDGETS

REGIONS

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THE PROJECT

FUNDS INVESTED

BY THE NETWORK

FOR 2015-2017

thousand, UAH

370

ADDITIONAL

AFTFR ADVOCACY

FINANCING

ACTIVITIES FOR 2015-2017

667

thousand, UAH



Introduction of thy social procurement mechanism for the provision of prevention and social support services



Introduction of mechanisms for the procurement of social services by healthcare facilities based on the platform of ProZorro public e-procurement system



Reducing the expenses of NGOs' social services through optimization of administrative costs



Integration of social services into specialized healthcare facilities through creating posts of social workers



More than 40 NGOs received mentorship and technical support within this area of activities

THE RESULT OF REGIONAL ADVOCACY: AMOUNT OF INCREASED FINANCING OF SOCIAL SERVICES FROM LOCAL BUDGETS





2016

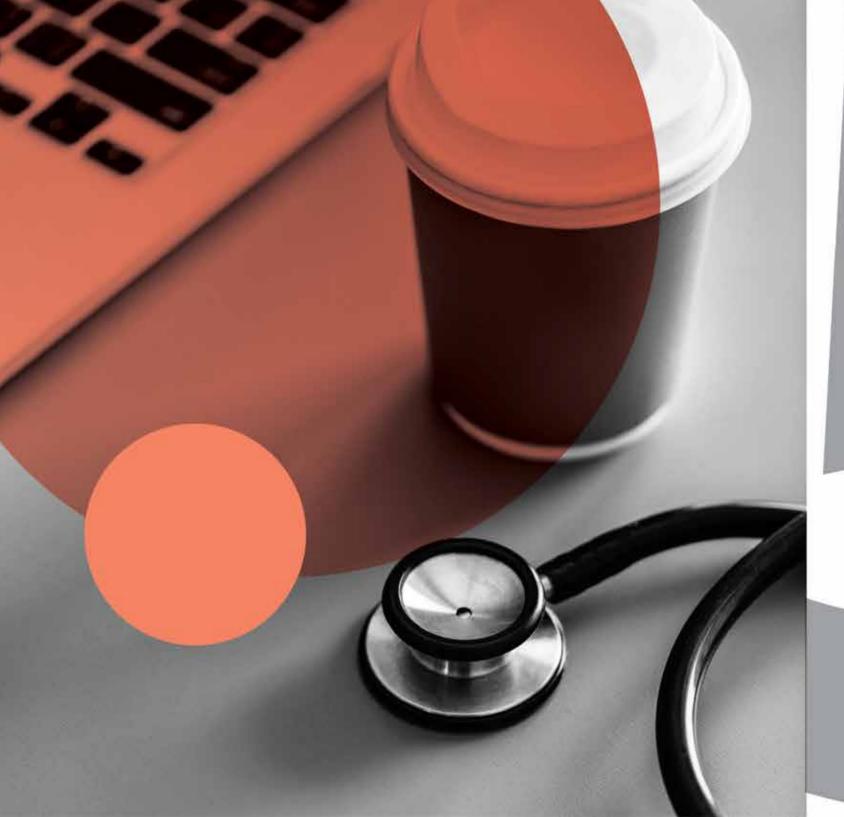
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2017

ADDITIONAL FINANCING WAS RECEIVED FROM LOCAL BUDGETS DUE TO SUCCESSFUL ADVOCACY WORK CONDUCTED BY NGOs UAH

ADDITIONAL FINANCING OF SOCIAL SERVICES WAS INCLUDED IN LOCAL BUDGETS IN 2018. DUE TO SUCCESSFUL A DVOCACY WORK CONDUCTED BY NGOS UAH





REFORM **OF THE** HEALTHCARE SYSTEM OF UKRAINE







Since the launch of reform the All-Ukrainian Network of PLWH was a reliable partner for the Ministry of Health. I express my gratitude for the support and assistance that the Network provided us during the early stages of health care reform and

Pavlo Kovtonyuk Deputy Minister of Health of Ukraine

THE E-HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEM

The Network developed and launched e-Health base product, which completely powers implementation of the reforms introduced by the Ministry of Health of Ukraine: namely

CAPITATION

per capita payments for primary health care specialists

REIMBURSEMENT

compensation for drugs cost under the "Available Medicines" program

electronic services and services for patients.

MODERNIZATION OF HIV LEGISLATION AND HIV+ ADOPTION

Eliminating legal barriers to access to treatment and empowering people living with HIV

Advocating amendments to the order of the Ministry of Health No. 479 (on removing discriminatory bans regarding the adoption of children by HIV-Positive People) and the Criminal Code of Ukraine (on removing specific sanctions for people living with HIV)

Dialogue with the Ministry of Health, the Office of the Commissioner for Human Rights and the Ministry of Social Policy of Ukraine regarding amendments to the order No. 479 in the first 4 months since the launch of eHealth pilot

500 healthcare facilities **4000** doctors **22**000 patients registered in the system

The developed components of the system laid the foundation for new standards of accountability and transparency in the provision of health services, as well as for the development of a complete ecosystem of

A new version of the order was presented by the Ministry of Health for public hearings in February 2017 (but, unfortunately, it met considerable opposition, particularly from representatives of religious communities).

The Network continues to cooperate with the MoH in order to make changes in a new version of the order based on amendments made by the public

A draft law that envisages amendments to the Criminal Code of Ukraine aimed at removing HIV-specific sanctions, namely deleting the full text of article 130, developed

The draft law was not supported by the Ministry of the Interior of Ukraine The dialogue between the Network and the Ministry of Interior continues



PATENT REFORM

For a year, the Network actively participated in the development of a new draft law

In November, the draft law of the Ministry of Economic Development and Trade of Ukraine was publicly debated

The draft law was supported by WHO and UNDP

The adoption of this draft law is expected in 2018

PENITENTIARY REFORM

The Network is a part of the working group on reforming the health care system of the State Criminal-Executive Service of Ukraine

The Order of the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine No. 684-r "On the Establishment of a State Institution 'Center for Public Health of the State Criminal-Executive Service of Ukraine'" was adopted.

Health Care Center of the SCES was registered

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"Reform of the Penitentiary System" passport

developed within section "Ensuring respect for human rights by creating conditions of treatment and detention in accordance with international standards"



The draft Law of Ukraine **"On the Penitentiary System** of Ukraine" No. 7337 dated 24 Nov. 2017 registered in the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine



ЭббВЦ, Не замыливай

Україні бульбашки

CRACYBANNA NOMEN







2016, country's leader Ukraine according to the 2017

Polina Niukhin

Director of the Ukrainian

743 397 499,95 **UAH** is the Network's investments in overcoming the HIV/AIDS epidemic in 2017

UAH 394 785 660,27

received from the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria

UAH **195 496 384,79**

received from the US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)

UAH 55 279 312,09

received from the United States Agency for International Development (USAID)

UAH 35 641 061,28

received from World Food Program (WFP)

UAH **31 368 803,03**

received from Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)

UAH 30 826 278,49

received from other donors

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World Health Organization





