Our success is built on the backbone of science and strong partnerships.

STRATEGIC FOCUS

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) office in Kyiv, Ukraine was formally established in August 2010. CDC develops the capacity of government and non-government organizations in Ukraine to respond to the HIV epidemic. CDC provides technical assistance to partners for developing in-country capacity and to assist in reaching the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) 90-90-90 targets - by 2020, 90 percent of all people living with HIV (PLHIV) will know their HIV status, 90 percent of all people with diagnosed HIV will receive sustained antiretroviral therapy (ART), and 90 percent of all people receiving ART will have viral suppression.

CDC’s strategic focus includes:
- Advancing the availability, quality, and use of surveillance and program monitoring data for data-driven programming.
- Strengthening the capacity of the national public health center to lead the HIV epidemic response.
- Strengthening the HIV national reference laboratory and laboratory network, especially in quality management systems.
- Enhancing HIV testing by introducing a new testing strategy.
- Increasing antiretroviral treatment uptake, improving retention, and increasing the number of people who are virally suppressed.
- Implementing information systems for management of care for PLHIV.

KEY ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Under the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), CDC is supporting national partners to accelerate targeted HIV testing and linkage to treatment initiation. Multiple partners, including the National Center for Public Health (CPH) and local and international non-governmental organizations (NGOs), work together to improve data quality and use and to build the Public Health Center’s capacity in the field of strategic information and laboratory and clinical management of HIV. CDC Ukraine has accomplished the following:
- Supported the development of the CPH as well as the Kyiv City Public Health Center.
- Contributed to the development of a comprehensive HIV treatment and prevention protocol.
- Contributed to the implementation of ART optimization.
- In 2018, recruited 44,102 persons who inject drugs for HIV testing and linkage to services through a network-based testing program.
- Launched a pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) project for 100 men who have sex with men in Kyiv city through the Fast Track City Initiative.
- Worked with the Government of Ukraine and international partners to support Strengthening Laboratory Management towards Accreditation (SLMTA) program.
- Launched a National HIV Reference Laboratory renovation process.
- Supported the development and launch of National HIV Medical Information System currently operating in 12 regions of Ukraine.
- Supported the launch of the Field Epidemiology Training Program in Ukraine.
- Supported the development of the National HIV Train Smart database to track training in HIV.
- Conducted trainings for national and regional Monitoring and Evaluation professionals in data quality assurance, HIV epidemic modeling, statistics, and data analysis and use.
- Supported activities to strengthen the capture and reporting of TB/HIV surveillance data.