

ANGOLA

STRATEGIC FOCUS

The CDC-Angola office opened in 2002, and in collaboration with the Angola Ministry of Health (MOH), current activities focus on laboratory and health system strengthening, strategic information, and training of healthcare professionals to reinforce clinical skills which will improve the quality of patient care.

Strengthening Public Health Systems

CDC supports the provision of technical assistance for the implementation of HIV and TB/HIV care and treatment service delivery models to establish linkages to immediate enrollment into ART, and to increase routine adherence counseling to improve retention in care and viral suppression of affected individuals at nine PEPFAR supported sites.

Strengthening Laboratory Systems and Networks

CDC focuses in strengthening laboratory systems by providing technical assistance, mentorship training on routine viral load monitoring, biosafety, and high quality diagnostic services for HIV and TB.

Information Systems

CDC supports the provision of technical assistance to improve the collection of strategic information, and to promote the establishment of systems to deliver HIV care and treatment through the implementation of electronic longitudinal information systems at the facility level to effectively track the continuum of care activities, and to optimize data flow, which will result in a better understanding of the true nature of the epidemic in Luanda.

KEY ACTIVITIES AND ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Laboratory

CDC has bolstered its efforts for the establishment of a long-term quality improvement program. In 2016 CDC PEPFAR carried out activities which include the scale-up of routine Viral Load (VL) monitoring, and the design of site-level VL implementation plans for both, patient and sample flow. The validation of VL lab systems for blood and DBS samples before full implementation of VL cascade is also currently being supported.

Improved TB Case-Finding

CDC provides support to care and treatment facilities for the facilitation of training in the use of automated on-demand molecular diagnostic systems (GeneXpert) resulting in improved TB diagnosis and linkage between HIV, TB services, and TB treatment facilities.

Technical Assistance

PEPFAR Angola collaborative efforts have resulted in an increase of the provision of technical assistance to the Instituto Nacional de Luta contra a SIDA and target facilities to develop longitudinal information systems used for strategic planning and to address data gaps.

Key Country Leadership

President:
José Eduardo dos Santos

Minister of Health:
Luis Gomes Sambo

U.S. Ambassador:
Helen LaLime

PEPFAR Coordinator:
Carey Spear

CDC/DGHT Director:
Suzanne Westman

Country Quick Facts

Per Capita GNI:
\$4,180 (2015)

Population:
25.02 Million (2015)

Under 5 Mortality:
157 / 1,000 live births
(2015)

Life Expectancy:
52 years (2014)

Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic

Estimated HIV Prevalence
(Ages 15-49): 2.2% (2015)

Estimated AIDS Deaths
(Age ≥15): 130,000 (2015)

Estimated Orphans Due to
AIDS: 4,000 (2015)

Reported Number
Receiving Antiretroviral
Therapy (ART) (Age ≥15):
90,204 (2015)

Global Tuberculosis (TB) Epidemic

TB Treatment Success Rate:
34% (2015)

Estimated TB Incidence:
370 / 100,000 (2015)

Estimated Who are HIV
Positive: 12% (2015)

Country Staff: 7

Locally Employed Staff: 5
Direct Hires: 2
Fellows & Contactors: 0

