STRATEGIC FOCUS

The Centers for Disease Control (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 by providing technical assistance to partners for developing in-country capacity and to assist in reaching 90-90-90 targets. Its 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 HIV national reference laboratory and laboratory network, especially in quality management systems;
- Enhancing HIV testing by introducing a new testing strategy;
- Increasing antiretroviral treatment (ART) uptake, improving retention, and increasing the number of people who are virally suppressed; and
- Implementing information systems for management of care for persons living with HIV.

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 Public Health Center and local and international NGOs, work together to improve data quality and use, and to build PHC 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 National Center for Public Health, 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 2017, recruited 27,534 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.
- Joined with CDC to support Strengthening Laboratory Management Towards Accreditation program.
- Facilitated and funded assessments of blood safety and HIV laboratory systems, which
 informed national strategic planning.
- Launched a National HIV Reference Laboratory renovation process.
- Supported Integrated Bio-Behavioral Surveillance (IBBS) in 2015 and 2017. Introduced HIV
 rapid recency testing in IBBS, in 2017.
- Supported development and launch of National HIV Medical Information System currently
 operating in 12 regions of Ukraine.
- Supported the launch of Field Epidemiology Training Program in Ukraine.
- Supported the response to polio and measles epidemic.
- Supported the development of 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, data analysis, and use.

Key Country Leadership

Prime Minister: Volodymyr Groysman

Acting Minister of Health: Ulana Suprun

U.S. Ambassador: Marie Yovanovitch

PEPFAR Coordinator: Vacant

CDC/DGHT Director: Charles Vitek

Country Quick Facts

Per Capita GNI: \$2,310 (2016)

Population: 45.0 Million (2016)

Under 5 Mortality: 9/1,000 live births (2016)

Life Expectancy: 71 years (2016)

Global HIV/AIDS Epidemic

Estimated HIV Prevalence (Ages 15-49): 0.9% (2016)

Estimated AIDS Deaths (Age ≥15): 8,300 (2016)

Estimated Orphans Due to AIDS: 42,000 (2016)

Reported Number Receiving Antiretroviral Therapy (ART) (Age ≥15): 85,000 (2016)

Global Tuberculosis (TB) Epidemic

Estimated TB Incidence: 87/100,000 (2016)

TB patients with known HIV-status who are HIV-positive: 21% (2016)

TB Treatment Success Rate: 75% (2015)

Country Staff: 12

Locally Employed Staff: 8 Direct Hires: 4 Fellows & Contactors: 00



