

Concept Note: Webinar on Overview of prevention tools and guidance for GC8

Date: Monday, 27 April 2026

Time: 15:00 – 16:30 CET

Background

The Global Fund Grant Cycle 8 (GC8) process has been initiated in majority of eligible countries. It is a critical time for countries to leverage these resources to design resilient and sustainable HIV prevention programmes. The current financial landscape requires a strengthened understanding of accountability and prioritization for prevention to ensure that the people in need of prevention, particularly in high incidence settings, have access to the right prevention packages and prevention options of their choice through trusted access platforms, at the right price.

To achieve this, the GPC and partners have developed a suite of HIV prevention tools and guidance (e.g., PrEP implementation tools, condom programme optimization tools, VMMC assessment and sustainability tools, priority and key population programme design guides, and resource estimation models) to support countries in designing cost-effective, high-impact prevention Global Fund Proposals for GC8. However, many programme managers, technical partners, and civil society actors are not fully aware of these tools or how to apply them to inform evidence-based prevention sections of the GC8 funding applications.

This webinar aims to bridge that gap by showcasing practical tools, demonstrating their application, and supporting countries to integrate them into programme design, target setting, budgeting, and implementation planning.

Objectives

1. To enhance country capacity to use HIV prevention tools for **evidence-based planning, resource mobilization, and effective programme implementation.**
2. **To support countries with understanding, how to identify and apply** key HIV prevention tools available for programme planning, costing, and monitoring.
3. **To facilitate sharing of** country experiences and lessons learned on integrating prevention tools into national planning cycles.

Format:

This 90-minute webinar will be conducted in English with French, Portuguese and Spanish interpretation available.

Participants include all key HIV prevention stakeholders, including National AIDS Coordinating Authorities, Ministries of Health, civil Society, private sector and others.

Proposed Agenda

Facilitator: Clemens Benedikt, GPC Secretariat

Time	Session	Speaker
15.00 – 15.05	Welcome remarks and housekeeping Country reflections on HIV Prevention for GC8	Clemens Benedikt, GPC Secretariat Dr. Nduku Kilonzo, (Secretary of the HIV Multisector Leadership Forum and GPC Co-Chair)
15.05 – 15.15	The Global Fund GC8 HIV prevention program essentials Overview of tools and overall, 2030 prevention framework	Izukanji Sikazwe (The Global Fund) Heather-Marie Schmidt (GPC Secretariat)
15.15 – 15:35	Latest guidance on prevention options (3 minutes each) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Effective PrEP implementation including lenacapavir Strengthening condom programming Harm reduction programmes for prevention Country experience on approach of writing these prevention options in their grant proposals	Michelle Rodolph (WHO) Rosemary Kindyomunda (UNFPA) Daria Ocheret (UNAIDS) Dr Nano Gideon, MBBS, BSc, MPH, MBA
15.35 – 15.55	People-centered prevention programming (3 minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> HIV prevention with women & girls in settings with high HIV HIV prevention with men & boys in settings with high HIV (including what's next for VMMC) Managing and planning HIV programmes for key populations Addressing behavioral aspects of HIV prevention and Demand generation Country experience on writing these sections of the GC8 grant proposals	Souad Orhan (UNAIDS) Lycias Zembe (GPC Secretariat) Matteo Cassolato (Global Fund) Gloria Byaruhanga (GPC Secretariat) Josefa Mazive (HIV Prevention Lead, NACA Mozambique)
15:55 – 16.10	Prevention systems and cross cutting themes (3 minutes) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Integration of HIV prevention services Using virtual interventions and AI approaches Prevention self-assessment tools Country experience on writing these sections of the GC8 grant proposals Reflections on sustaining and strengthening prevention systems	Pinto Clarice, WHO Purvi Shah, WHO Kerry Mangold, SSLN Dr. Peter Ndemena, Director of Policy and Planning at the National AIDS Council, Zambia Dr Joseph Fokam, Head of the NACA, Cameroon
16.25 – 16.30	Closure	Rosemary Kindyomunda (UNFPA)