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Introduction

Public Organization "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" specializes in providing services for HIV/AIDS, viral hepatitis and sexually transmitted infections (STIs) among men who have sex with men (MSM), focused on the progress and consolidation of LGBTIQ+ community; protection of human rights and promoting the reduction of homo-, bi- and transphobia in Ukrainian society.

Legally "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" was registered in October 2002. Since then, the organization conducted over 100 projects and studies among LGBTQ+. Today, the main activities of the organization are focused on the provision of priority humanitarian and financial aid during the war, the operation of shelters for LGBTIQ+, the provision of public health services for MSM and LGBTIQ+, development of community centers and other "safe spaces" for LGBTIQ+, protection of human rights and conducting of the national advocacy for access of LGBTIQ+ to rights and health.

Educational, informational, entertainment and thematic events in the community centers are focused on the development of the individual potential of each MSM/LGBTIQ+ representative. The physical health and psychological well-being of all MSM/LGBTQ+ are the key principles of ALLIANCE.GLOBAL.

Our advocacy work is in the field of health and rights of MSM/LGBTQ+ people on the national and local levels, mobilization and strengthening of leadership and organizational capacity of LGBTQ+, which is implemented since January 2018 within the National LGBTI Consortium. The activities of this Consortium are conducted by four public organizations working on the terms of significant participation of LGBTIQ+ people. The main priority advocacy tasks of the Consortium today are the introduction of registered civil partnerships (RCP) in Ukraine, amendments to the Criminal Code to prevent hate crimes, in particular in the context of SOGI, allocation of budget funding for public health services for MSM/LGBTIQ+, development of regional leadership.

Within the framework of the human rights direction of our organization, we have the LGBTIQ+ national paralegal network and operate the paralegal work among other communities such as injected drug users, PLHIV, ex-prisoners, people affected by tuberculosis, and more. Specially trained paralegals provide primary legal assistance in cases of violation of rights based on sexual orientation and gender identity (SOGI), HIV status, age, etc., are engaged in media monitoring of attitudes towards LGBTQ+ by decision-makers, right-wing radical groups, etc., and responding to hate speech. Paralegal networks cooperate with a number of human rights organizations such as the Ukrainian Helsinki Human Rights Union, KyivPride, etc., as well as informational and educational activities for MSM/LGBTIQ+ and others.

From 2016, the creative team of the organization, launched an information campaign "GETTEST" about free testing for HIV and STIs for MSM, which since 2018 has become an all-Ukrainian one. All information about the campaign on the project site www.gettest.com.ua

From 2018, the creative team of the organization launched the 2nd information campaign about nationwide program of innovative HIV prevention (PrEP) in Ukraine. All information about the campaign on the project site www.prep.com.ua.

Considering the situation in Ukraine, which developed after the large-scale invasion of the aggressor, ALLIANCE.GLOBAL pays special attention to the mental/psychological health of representatives of the LGBTIQ+ community. Information on psychological health services can be obtained on the website www.mentalk.com.ua

In 2019, the organization launched the Shelter project for MSM/LGBTIQ+ people in Kyiv. The project oriented toward people who are in difficult living situations or suffering from persecution and discrimination because of SOGI (sexual orientation and or gender identity). More about the project on the organization's special page http://ga.net.ua/ua/poslugi-organizatsiyi/shelter-dlya-msm-lgbt-2/

Since the beginning of large-scale hostilities in Ukraine caused by the Russian attack on 24 February, our organization has been providing priority humanitarian assistance to LGBTQ+ IDPs (internally displaced persons) and their families in difficult war situations. This assistance consists of individual financial support (including for relocation from zones with active hostilities), providing temporary shelter on the basis of our organization or other NGOs, and humanitarian aid with food, hygiene kits, necessary medicines and more. In addition to the Kyiv shelter, which we restarted at the beginning of 2022, our PO opened three new shelters in Dnipro and Chernivtsi in March-April 2022, and in Lviv in September 2022, for LGBTIQ+ and their families.

The strategic plan of the organization

January 2020 to December 2023 (three years) Approved in September 2019

The main principles of the strategic plan:

1. Values of the organization:

- 1.1. PO ALLIANCE GLOBAL adheres to the principles of non-discrimination, tolerance, equality, security, openness, and respect for the individuals.
- 1.2. Values of the PO "ALLIANCE. GLOBAL": equality, diversity, safety.

2. Vision and mission of the organization:

- 2.1. Mission: PO ALLIANCE.GLOBAL strives to achieve a decent standard of living and health for MSM / LGBT people; is a leader in healthcare and the rights of MSM / LGBT people and other groups.
- 2.2. Vision: A society where everyone is respected and accepted, regardless of any of its characteristics (including SOGI).

3. Objectives:

- 3.1. Strengthening measures to improve/maintain the health of various groups of the population: Reducing the level of HIV, STIs, viral hepatitis, increasing access to mental health programs, etc.
- 3.2. Mobilizing communities and advocating for their rights and needs.
- 3.3. Promoting positive public opinion towards MSM / LGBT and other groups.

Description of the organization's projects "Serving Life" MSM in Kyiv and Chernihiv

Project implementation period: October 2021 - June 2022

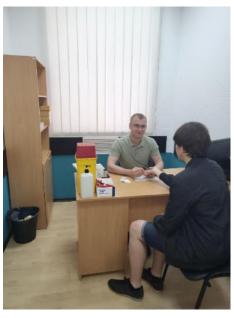
Donor: PATH, USAID

Project goal: The USAID-funded Serving Life project aims to reduce HIV transmission through detection, care, and treatment for people living with HIV in penal and civil sector community settings in 12 PEPFAR regions of Ukraine. The project is working to increase case detection and enhance linkage, retention in care, and treatment for key populations including detainees, prisoners, ex-prisoners, men who have sex with men (MSM) and people who inject drugs (PWID) within community settings.

Project description

The **main goal** of the project is to reduce the spread of HIV among MSM in Ukraine.

On the way to achieving the goal of the project the **main tasks** are:



- 1. Conduct mapping of MSM hotspots and update it on the quarterly basis by analyzing MSM social networks/mobile apps and arranging working meetings with MSM, MSM leaders and representatives of MSM-service NGOs:
- 2. Create an MSM-friendly counseling room ("onestop shop") at the premises of a civil healthcare facility;
- 3. Arrange laboratory diagnostics of sexually transmitted infections: chlamydia, trichomoniasis and gonorrhea, at a state laboratory for MSM who will need it;
- 4. Conduct information and outreach activities to prevent and raise awareness of HIV, STIs and viral hepatitis (VH) among MSM community;
- 5. Detect new HIV cases among MSM by creating a peer-to-peer network of case-finders;
- 6. Implement ICT model among HIV-positive MSM and their partners;
- 7. Foster ART adherence and ensure psychosocial support to HIV-positive MSM;
- 8. Support HIV-negative MSM at high risk of HIV infection in accessing and continuing HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP).

The main activities of the project in 2022 (October 2021 - June 2022):

In general, for all regions of the project:

- With the financial support of PATH, the PO " ALLIANCE.GLOBAL " continued a
 national advertising campaign information campaign to attract MSM to KiT based
 on the website www.gettest.com.ua. It was placement of advertising and
 informational materials on such resources as Google, Hornet, gayUA.com,
 Facebook, Instagram, Bluesystem.
- Long-term information campaign and online registration of clients to receive services by customers through the campaign website www.gettest.com.ua at testing points within the framework project. The mechanism for distributing online registrations continues to work according to the schedule of social workers in the project.
- Work was carried out to adapt the work of the PNP based on the military situation in the region/city of the project. The PNP work schedule was changed for convenience customers and the possibility of continuing the uninterrupted provision of services.
- Social workers of the project continued their social motivational work (provided in the absence of active hostilities in the territory of service provision) through its own pages in smartphone applications Hornet and Grindr and social networks/dating sites facebook, Instagram, Bluesystem, where they provide consultations (both on their own initiative and with the appearance first questions from a potential client) regarding HIV/STD testing. At upon reaching the testing points, clients received motivational and social counseling about testing and safe sexual behavior.
- From December 2021, the provision of additional motivational allowance was continued within the framework of the project services – Testing for STDs with rapid tests – Hepatitis C and Syphilis.
- Long-term motivation on the part of social workers regarding the involvement of sex partners of HIV+ MSM before HIV/STD testing.

KYIV

During the reporting quarter of the project, the organization adapted/continued the work according to the following directions:

- Due to the military operations, the point of service provision was changed to the main office in the reporting period organizations -Kyiv, str. Bohdan Khmelnytskyi, 62B.
- As part of the project, cooperation with the Kyiv City AIDS Center continues operational involvement of MSM in ED and ART with the help and participation of social workers.
- Assistance to MSM IDPs with placement and employment, psychological support, provision of humanitarian kits within the framework of other projects of the organization.



CHERNIHIV

Due to the full-scale military invasion of Russia into Ukraine, from March 2022 the PNP for MSM under at the address of Chernihiv, st. Heroes of Chernobyl 3 was forced to close and did not provide services.

The social worker involved in the project is outside the country.

Key achievements of the project

KYIV

Key achievements for the work of the project during the "war" quarter can be considered:

- After the full-scale invasion of Russia into Ukraine, it was possible to maintain the availability of ICT services on the basis of the main office of the organization at the address of Kyiv, str. Bohdan Khmelnytskyi, 62B.
- Long-term (including with the support of the project donor - the PATH



- organization) advertising campaign at the base website www.gettest.com.ua for informing the community and other representatives of MSM about the possibility of receiving free services with the possibility of online registration for receiving the specified services.
- On the basis of the project and in cooperation with other activities of the PO "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" was able to organize the provision of a full preventive package of services and humanitarian kits - food, hygiene, medical kits for representatives of MSM.

Cascade of services:

- In total, 1 088 MSM were involved in project services in Kyiv during the reporting period;
- number of positive results of rapid HIV testing 46 MSM (4,2%);
- were placed under medical supervision 45 MSM (97,8%);
- for the first time received ART 45 MSM (100,0%).

Of them IT:

- A total of 16 Index partners were involved in project services in Kyiv during the reporting period;
- number of positive results of rapid HIV testing 2 MSM (12,5%);
- were placed under medical supervision 2 MSM (100,0%);
- for the first time received ART 2 MSM (100,0%).

Chernihiv (October 2021-February 2022)

- Cascade of services: In total, 56 MSM were involved in project services in Chernihiv during the reporting period;
- number of positive results of rapid HIV testing 5 MSM (8,9%);
- were placed under medical supervision 5 MSM (100%);
- for the first time received ART 5 MSM (100%).

Of them IT:

- A total of **10 Index partners** were involved in project services in Chernihiv during the reporting period;
 - number of positive results of rapid HIV testing 1 MSM (10,0%);
 - were placed under medical supervision 1 MSM (100,0%);
 - for the first time received ART 1 MSM (100,0%).

Project results for 2022 year











	Received	Received a	Received support	Taking on the	Started
	rapid HIV test	positive RT result for HIV	to the hospital	Dispensary Register	taking ART
KYIV	1 088	46 (4,2%)	45 (97,8%)	45 (100,0%)	45 (100,0%)
CHERNIHIV	56	5 (8,9%)	5 (100%)	5 (100%)	5 (100%)

Strengthening leadership in advocacy to develop the capacity of the MSM community at the national and regional levels to ensure the sustainability of HIV services

Project implementation period: January - December 2020

Donor: 100% Life - PLHIV Network (the Global Fund)

Project goal:

The year 2022 was characterized by the outbreak and conduct of large-scale military operations in Ukraine, the introduction of martial law, as well as a significant deterioration of the humanitarian crisis, including large-scale migration, deterioration of the situation with electricity and communication due to regular missile attacks on civilian infrastructure across the country, as well as killer drone attacks. Problems with light and communication caused additional difficulties in the work of all organizations and institutions, including ALLIANCE.GLOBAL and the National LGBTI Consortium. During the 4th quarter of 2022, a new wave of migration from the newly de-occupied territories began, as the residents of Kherson and the region are subjected to constant artillery strikes by the enemy. In view of these factors, we have intensified our work in the regions to provide humanitarian aid (food and hygiene kits and certificates, clothing, individual financial assistance, essential medicines, power banks for clients, etc.) and other services for MSM/LGBTIQ+, sought additional sources of support, and increased the activities of our shelter workers. We also managed to partially strengthen the vital activity of our community centers and shelters by purchasing generators and batteries with the funds raised from grants and private donations.

In the area of national advocacy, processes related to Ukraine's integration into the EU and NATO continue (albeit slowly), as well as the adjustment of key laws of Ukraine (so-called European integration laws), the adoption of which will give us the right to conduct further negotiations on joining the EU after the war. One of the related draft laws adopted during Q4 was the updated Law on Media, which explicitly prohibits negative statements in the media regarding LGBTIQ+ and SOGI issues.

Below is information about the activities carried out during 2022 in general.

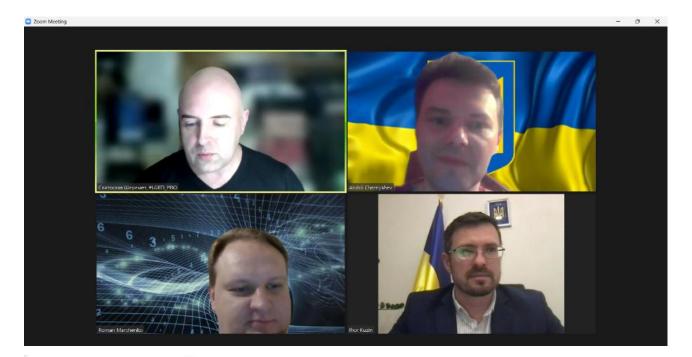
- ❖ 891 MSM/LGBTI representatives were provided with information on the possibility of receiving humanitarian and other assistance in the cities of Kharkiv, Lviv, Kyiv, Dnipro, Chernivtsi.
- ❖ 835 representatives applied for and received humanitarian and other assistance.
- ❖ 94 group information and educational events for MSM/LGBTIQ+ were held. The events involved both residents of the shelters and other MSM/LGBTIQ people who come to the community or the shelters. All meetings were held offline.
- Regional coordinators took part in 52 meetings, communications and events with allies (NGOs, businesses, etc.), humanitarian headquarters and authorities to strengthen communication to meet the needs of the community.

- ❖ 7 communications were conducted with government officials on European integration and Euro-Atlantic processes in the interests of LGBT+ people.
- ❖ 4 homophobic draft laws were blocked.
- ❖ There was 1 case of interaction with the Office of European Integration, which resulted in the adoption of the Law of Ukraine "On Media".
- ❖ 11 expert documents were prepared, including an analytical report on LGBTI in Ukraine during the war and recommendations (checklist) for MSM/LGBTI and their relatives who found themselves under occupation.
- ❖ A crisis National LGBTI consultation was held for the community and stakeholders (November).
- ❖ 2 informational and educational webinars for LGBTI people and allies were held with the participation of experts.
- ❖ 112 news reports on the activities of the PO ALLIANCE.GLOBAL in the interests of the MSM/LGBT community were prepared and published.
- ❖ 3 technical assistance visits to the regions were conducted.
- ❖ 7 published interviews with clients and shelter staff were conducted.
- ❖ 29 additional resources were attracted to meet additional humanitarian, financial, technical and material needs of MSM/LGBT people.











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Представник від ГО «АЛЬЯНС.ГЛОБАЛ», увійшов до складу Київської міської координаційної ради з питань протидії ТБ та ВІЛ/СНІДу який представлятиме ЧСЧ/ЛГБТ+ спільноти

21 грудня в приміщенні КМДА пройшло останнє в цьому році засідання Київської міської координаційної ради з питань протидії ТБ та ВІЛ/СНІДу.

В рамках цього засідання було затверджено новий Персональний склад Ради (див. у вкладенні). Нарешті, після багаторічної відсутності, нам вдалося повернутись і посісти заслужене... Показати більше...



The national network of paralegals

Project implementation period: January 2022 - December 2022

Donor: 100% Life (PLHIV Network), The Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and

Malaria

Project description:

The National Network of Paralegals is a human rights project of ALLIANCE.GLOBAL, the main purpose of which is to provide free legal aid to the community of MSM and adolescents, teach activists the basics of human rights, human rights training, media coverage of discrimination and violation of key communities.

The network of paralegals is represented in all regions of Ukraine, except for territories not controlled by the Ukrainian government. The network had more than 150 paralegals trained in basic legal aid for the communities.

In the 2022 as part of the educational component, which serves to deploy the activities of Paralegals hub, the project team during the year:

1) 3 one-day trainings were held for paralegals from key communities for professional development. During the one-day trainings, the participants gained knowledge about the

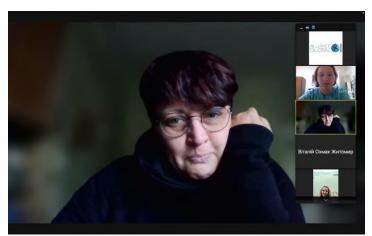
most common cases of rights violations during the war time, learned basic skills in recognizing hate crimes and algorithms discrimination, for response prompt and redirection in case of rights violations. The main goal of the trainings was to give community representatives an advanced detecting toolkit for and responding to rights violations based on previously acquired knowledge and practice, establish communication



between community representatives, regional paralegals and the project team, which allowed to expand the coverage of paralegal services and ensure prompt access information about rights violations. In connection with the war, trainings were conducted online for a total of 100 people.

2) 3 online webinars were held for representatives of key communities on improving the skills of using the "DATACHECK" system. During webinars held in an interactive format, the project team together with active practicing paralegals worked through problematic and purely practical issues of working with the system. Special attention was paid to updating the application in the context of martial law and working with atypical appeals. A total of 44 people took part in the webinars. In addition, 1 closed training was held for representatives of key communities on improving the skills of using the "DATACHECK"

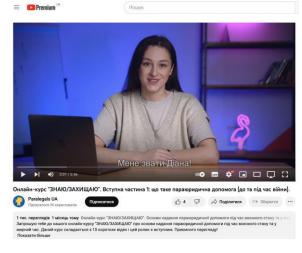
system, which essentially became an expanded and more in-depth version of the webinars.



3) instruction using an on the "DATACHECK" system for recording and responding to human rights violations was developed and distributed. The project team directed its efforts to the implementation development and mechanisms for rapid response and recording of rights violations. Α "Manual completely updated paralegal" has been developed, which prescribes an algorithm for responding to all typical appeals during martial law.

4) a cycle of training videos on human rights protection was filmed and distributed. Filming a cycle of 10 informative videos on human rights issues provides an opportunity to reach those representatives of key communities who were not covered before, and also did not have the opportunity to join the trainings of the paralegal network. Also, taking into account the experience of work in previous years and analyzing the needs of the target audience, we came to the conclusion that this format is optimal for people who have strict time constraints due to work and live in geographically remote areas. Professional actors were invited for filming, whose work significantly raised the level of educational content produced by us.



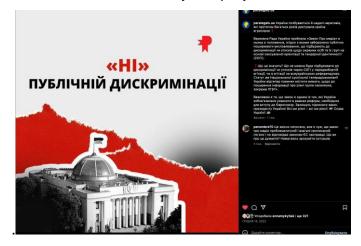


One of the key activities was the provision of financial assistance. At the beginning of the war, the Paralegal Hub managed to find unplanned emergency funding for this very direction. because people from the communities who wrote to us every day voiced this request. An insane number of people lost their jobs, some lost their homes and even minimal means of supporting themselves, almost all appeals were from people who were on the brink. Our team managed to help almost 150 people out of almost 400 applicants. In addition to direct

financial assistance, 103 food certificates were allocated to "Silpo" for 94 representatives from 9 key communities.

Media activities: the project has more than 32,000 followers on TikTok, 9,000 on Instagram and 1,000 on Facebook. The total monthly coverage of information products is

about 1,500,000 views per month. On average, up to 32,000 viewers watch the live broadcasts conducted by the project team



The project of priority humanitarian aid to representatives of LGBTIQ communities

Project implementation period: April 2022 - December 2022

Donor:Fondation de France, Outright International, Campaign against Homophobia Germany, UNAIDS, AIDS Action Europe

Since the beginning of the large-scale war in Ukraine caused by the russian attack on 24 February, our organization has been providing priority humanitarian and financial assistance to LGBTQ+ people who have found themselves in difficult life circumstances due to the war, including IDPs (internally displaced persons) and their families. The assistance needs include temporary shelter (accommodation in a shelter for LGBTIQ+ people), food and hygiene kits, necessary clothing, financial assistance in relocation (moving from one region of Ukraine to another), utility bills and rent, payment for necessary medicines, medical diagnostics, professional development courses, other social services, etc.

In 2022, three new shelters for LGBTIQ+ people were opened in Dnipro, Chernivtsi, and Lviv, and the work of the shelter in Kyiv was strengthened that works from 2019. Also, our office in Kharkiv was transformed into a "point of invincibility" and a "safe space" for LGBTIQ+ people and their allies last year.

Thanks to the support of the Fondation de France, in 2022 we organized and launched a shelter and community center for LGBTIQ+ IDPs in Lviv, which provides free shelter to 10 people at a time, and holds various information and educational events for the community to help IDPs reserialize in the new environment as quickly as possible, individual and group psychosocial support is provided for LGBTIQ+ people who find themselves in difficult life circumstances due to the war, peer-to-peer counseling, legal support and medical consultations are provided. In our "safe space" in Lviv, as well as in other cities where we operate, the community can receive food and hygiene certificates, necessary clothing, power banks and other necessary humanitarian and medical and social assistance (for example, get tested for HIV).

ALLIANCE.GLOBAL has prepared consolidated data on the provision of priority assistance to LGBTIQ+ communities in the context of large-scale military operations in Ukraine during 2022 as part of implemented humanitarian projects, in particular with the support of Fondation de France, Outright International, Aktionsbündnis gegen Homophobie, 100% Life, UNAIDS, AIDS Action Europe, Public Health Alliance, Pact.

- ➤ In total, various types of assistance were provided to approximately 4,250 representatives of MSM/LGBTIQ+ communities and their relatives.
- Shelter services were received by: 202 MSM/LGBTI+ representatives (Lviv, Dnipro, Kyiv, Chernivtsi).
- ➤ 636 representatives of MSM/LGBTIQ+ communities received individual financial assistance forreimbursement of emergency expenses.
- ➤ 1,397 MSM/LGBTIQ+ received product kits or certificates.
- Hygiene kits or hygiene certificates were received by 617 representatives of MSM/LGBTIQ+communities.
- ➤ We provided 430 individual psychological consultations for MSM/LGBTIQ+ communities, in addition, psychologists from partner organizations worked with our clients.
- Conducted more than 20 group psychotherapy activities for MSM/LGBTIQ+

- communities whosuffered from the consequences of the war.
- > A total of about 1,800 "peer-to-peer" social and medical consultations were provided.
- ➤ On the basis of community centers and shelters in Dnipro, Chernivtsi, Lviv, Kharkiv, and Kyiv, we conducted more than 40 informational and educational events, trainings and leisure activities for MSM/LGBTIQ+ communities from among IDPs (internally displaced persons).
- ➤ 161 consultations were provided by paralegals and lawyers of the organization on issues of violation of the rights of MSM/LGBTIQ+ and on other issues, including border crossing issues, during martial law.

Our main online resources:

https://www.facebook.com/AllianceGlobalKyiv (English language page) https://www.instagram.com/alliance.global

https://twitter.com/AlGlobalKyiv (English language page)

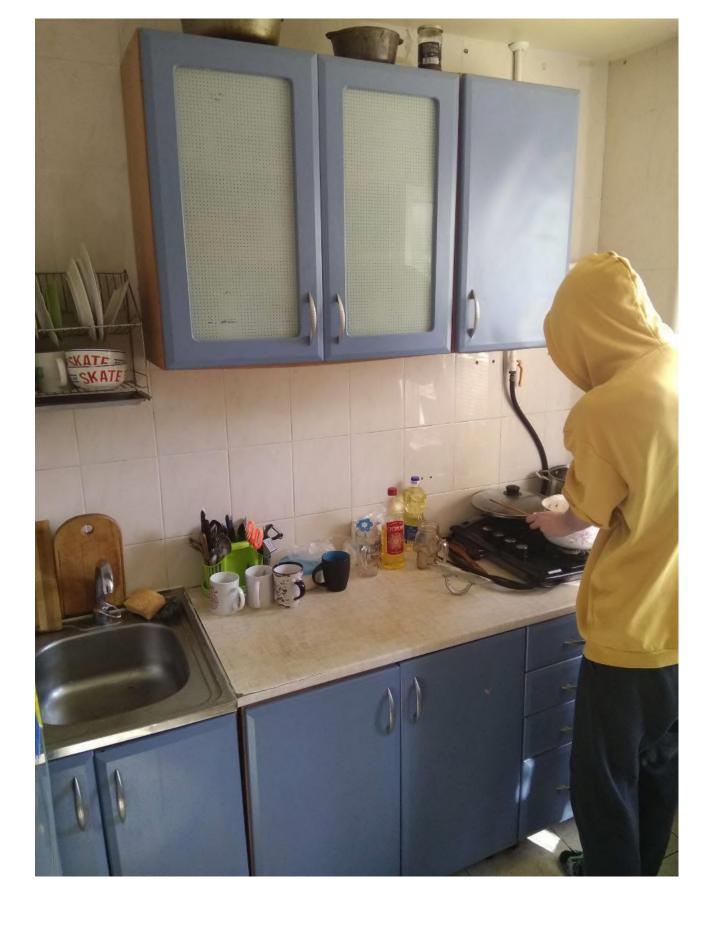
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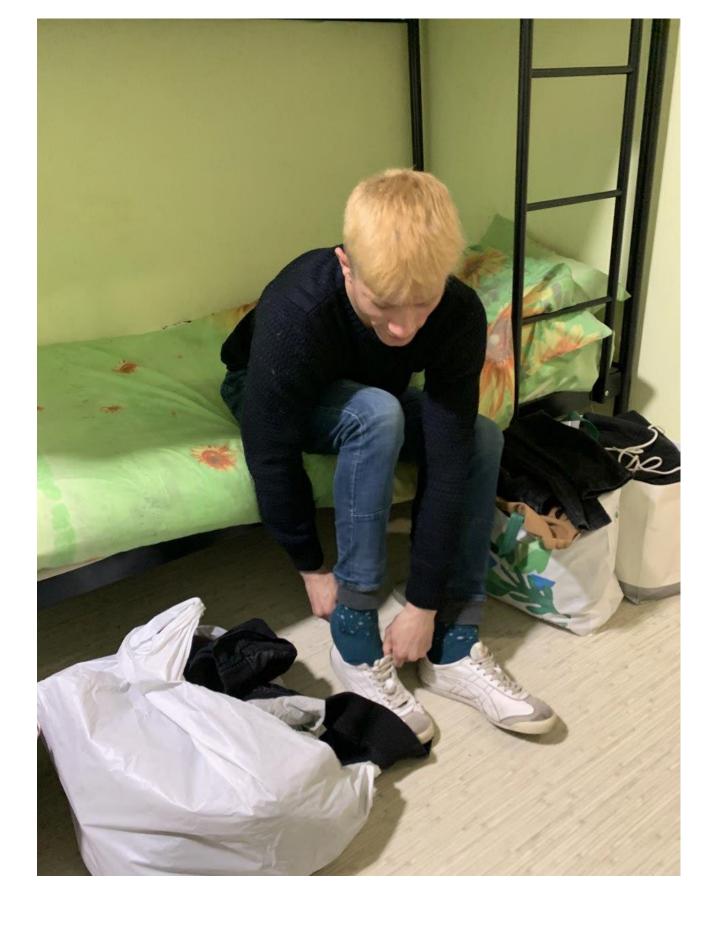
http://ga.net.ua/en; https://prep.com.ua/; https://gettest.com.ua/ (Web)











National information campaigns www.gettest.com.ua & www.prep.com.ua

Project implementation period: January - December 2022

Donor: Public Health Center (PrEP) and ViiV Healthcare (GETTEST)

Project goal: Involvement of MSM in HIV and STI counseling and testing services (including pre-exposure prophylaxis - PrEP).

Project description

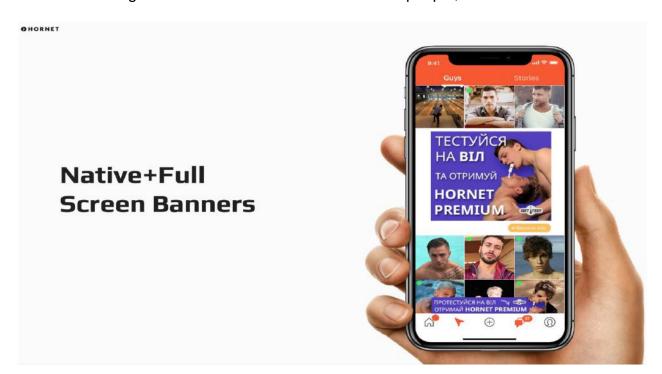
The media campaign provided up-to-date information on the health aspects of MSM, promoted HIV and STI testing, safer sexual practices, and PrEP. The campaign was conducted based on web resources www.gettest.com.ua and www.prep.com.ua.

The campaign includes tools such as:

- communication with online platforms on the placement of advertising messages about services for MSM with redirection of clients to the site of the Get Test and PrEP campaign;
- coordination and development of information materials/articles/messages on web resources;
- preparation of short information messages and videos for social networks and YouTube;
- popularization of services of prevention programs by carrying out informational and educational actions;
 - monitoring the effectiveness of the campaign.

Get Test and PrEP are platforms for involving MSM in testing, filled with up-to-date information on:

- sexual and reproductive health of MSM;
- current information on PrEP;
- aspects and features of HIV self-testing;
- maps for testing services;
- entertaining and educational content about LGBT people;



The main purpose of the platforms is to accumulate the audience of MSM (including its hard-to-reach subgroup - bisexuals and MSM who use drugs) on the web resource to further involve it in HIV and STI testing, as well as the opportunity to take an online screening test of TB. The web-page will allow you to register for HIV and STI testing in the regions where prevention programs are implemented.

Working communication was established with regional HIV service organizations working with MSM. The purpose of this communication (e-mail, telephone conversations) was to collect operational information for further posting on the campaign web-pages on the location of MSM testing points, their schedule, list of services provided, contact person for forwarding applications for services and PrEP.

Among the MSM / LGBT target resources where advertisements were placed are:

- mobile applications for MSM audience (Hornet);
- dating sites for MSM (BlueSystem, gayUA.com);
- social networks (Facebook, Instagram. Youtube);
- search services (SEO-optimization, targeted advertising by keywords);
- Google contextual advertising



The placement of advertising on these resources takes place with different intensity and will be adjusted based on the results of the analysis of indicators of attracting real customers from among the general audience covered by advertising messages and spent financial resources.

A special online registration form for receiving services is available on the web resources of the media campaign. As a result of such registration, an electronic application form was automatically generated, which was sent in real-time to the contact e-mail address of the relevant NGO in the selected region and duplicated to the e-mail address of the communication manager to monitor the process of involving MSM and TG in testing.



General results of GETTEST.COM.UA:

- During the reporting period, the site's audience was 348 450sessions, where users viewed 407 202 pages with an average session duration of 01:09, of which 320 136 were unique views; On average, site visitors viewed 1.17 pages per session.
- In 2022, 1345 MSM used the recording service for testing.

2022, the In GETTEST.com.ua information campaign focused on social network Instagram, Instagram Reels, advertising the dating application advertising on the Hornet. website Gayua.com, and with special attention on the video social network TikTOk. an audience of creating



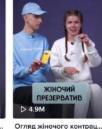
12,700 000 people in Ukraine, which is a unique record for information campaigns. Leonid Polishchuk, who is a known blogger in Ukraine and cooperates with the GETTEST project, can be considered the face of HIV prevention services in Ukraine.















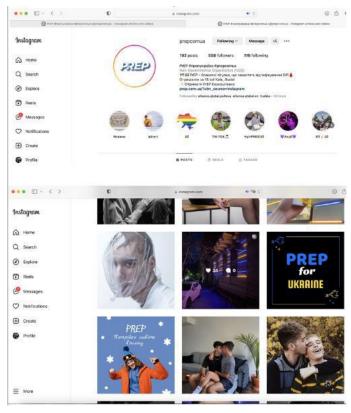


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During the year, more than 300 journalistic materials were developed and published on website www.gettest.com.ua on the topics of HIV/AIDS, Syphilis, Hepatitis, other STDs, health, beauty, Chemsex, and LGBT topics.

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Instagram account view.

General results of PrEP.COM.UA:

- During the reporting period, the site's audience was 48,560 sessions, where users viewed 65,509 pages with an average session duration of 01:36, of which 37,374 were unique views; On average, site visitors viewed 1.35 pages per session.
- In 2022, 1922 MSM used the recording service for testing with PrEP consultation.

During 2022, the PrEP.com.ua informational campaign focused on the publication of materials and news on the site, the Instagram social network, and mass advertising in the Hornet dating application. The creation and distribution of news in social networks took place with a bias towards the evidence base and confirmation that PrEP works, the experience of other countries was also cited.



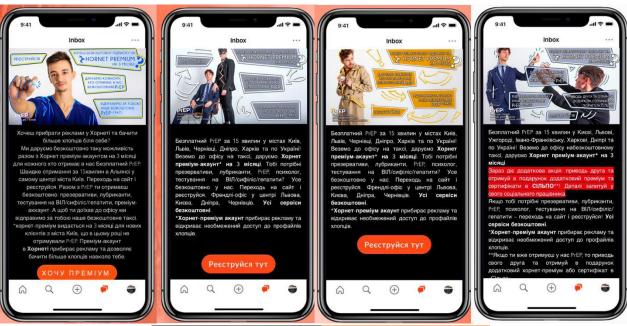
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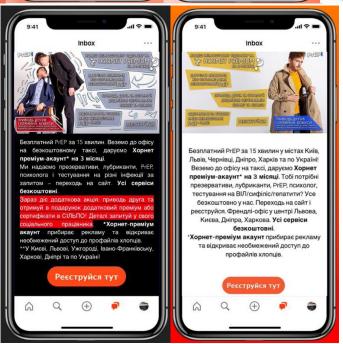


Instagram stories view

Design of PrEP.com.ua advertisement Direct inbox messages in Hornet in 2022:







Accompaniment and support for preexposure HIV prevention (PrEP) Accompaniment

Project implementation period: January - December 2022

Donor: Alliance for Public Health

The project aims is to help reduce the spread of HIV among MSM by introducing PrEP

as part of a combined prevention and care program in Ukraine.

Project description:

In 2022, the project envisaged and planned to expand the number of PrEP courses, expand the project team, hire additional social workers and hire an additional project assistant for coordinated work and implementation of planned indicators. The work took place from 1st of January to 24th of February, 2022 in 5 regions of Ukraine: Kyiv, Kyiv region (the cities of Bucha and Irpin), Chernihiv, Kharkiv. Dnipro



Planned regions of activity in 2022

In the first half of 2022, in connection with the state of war in Ukraine and hostilities in the cities of Kharkiv, Chernihiv and the cities of Bucha and Irpin of the Kyiv region, as well as the proximity of the city of Dnipro and Kyiv to the regions where hostilities were taking place, work became difficult, life social workers were exposed to great risk, and clients migrated en masse to other regions (the first waves of migration took place to the western regions of Ukraine). During the operation of the project in the first and second half of the year, the organization periodically applied for statistical data to the company

"HORNET LLC" (it owns an application for dating MSM and has the ability to track the activity and movement of MSM).

The obtained data reflected the continued migration of clients between regions and provided an opportunity to adjust the program and "follow the client".

The obtained data proved that a large proportion of the organization's current and potential clients who lived in the cities of Kyiv, Kharkiv, Chernihiv and the cities of the Kyiv region migrated to the western regions of Ukraine, namely: Lviv region, Chernivtsi region, Ivano-Frankivsk region, Transcarpatioan region, Ternopil region, Volyn region. In connection with the significant migration of potential clients to the western regions of Ukraine and the difficulty of working in the regions where hostilities took place, the organization requested and received permission from the Public Health Alliance to start pilot work in the regions where the potential clients migrated. Along with the start of the pilot activity, the project indicators were redistributed and the gradual launch of the project lines began in the regions where the clients moved.

Project team, with the assistance of the Public Health Alliance, and using the potential of the project **«Prevention HIV program in Western Ukraine during the emergency situation in Ukraine among evacuated MSM including the support for ALLIANCE.GLOBAL employees and clients who displaced to west part of Ukraine»**, meetings were held with the heads of health care institutions and memoranda on interaction and cooperation were signed between ALLIANCE.GLOBAL and

- 1. "Lviv Regional Phthisiopulmonology Clinical Treatment and Diagnostic Center" of the Lviv Regional Council, a communal non-commercial enterprise in Lviv;
- 2. REGIONAL COMMUNAL NON-COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISE "Chernivtsi Regional Center for AIDS Prevention and Control in Chernivtsi;
- 3. KNP "Transcarpathian Regional Center of Public Health ZOR" in Uzhhorod;
- 4. Communal non-commercial enterprise "Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Clinical Infectious Hospital of the Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Council" in Ivano-Frankivsk

Interviews were held and contracts concluded with medical consultants of the abovementioned health centers to serve the project's clients in the listed regions. In the cities of Lviv and Chernivtsi, a tender was held for renting premises, the project offices were opened. In the city of Lviv, a "short route" for obtaining PrEP has been implemented, in the city of Chernivtsi, consultations and testing are held in the office, and clients receive the medication according to the "classic route".

In the cities of Uzhgorod and Ivano-Frankivsk, work was established on the methodology of "PrEP-travellers", when social workers from Lviv come to the city for Internet outreach, counseling, motivation, testing and accompanying clients at the PrEP to the doctor in the health center according to the classic route. As of April 2022, the office in the city of Lviv is the most modern and convenient point of quick receipt of the PrEP in Ukraine. The point is located in the central area of the city, and the time of issuing a PrEP takes from 20 to 30 minutes. For the offices of Lviv and Chernivtsi, additional fundraising was carried out and the lease of premises was secured, modern furniture for the office was purchased through fundraising.

In the second half of the year, in the cities of Chernivtsi and Uzhhorod, the work was carried out according to the classic route of escorting to the health center, and in the city of Ivano-Frankivsk, work was carried out according to the methodology of "PrEP traveling salesmen", when social workers from Lviv come to the city for Internet outreach where he

counseling, motivation, testing, motivate and redirect clients to accompanying by PrEP program to the doctor in the health center according to the classic route.



Actual regions of activity in 2022 (Blue – based regions, green – additional regions from 24.02.22, pink – the regions for telemedicine case, red – the regions where the services were stoped)

In the same time work were continued in the cities of Kyiv, Bucha, Irpin, Kharkiv, Dnipro with clients returning to their "home" regions and clients moving to the specified regions from the temporarily occupied territories.

Thanks to the "bring a friend" component, community awareness about PrEP was increased and more clients were attracted to the project thanks to their friends, which is provided by the component in the city of Kyiv, Kharkiv and Kyiv region. In Kharkiv, thanks to the component, the PrEP indicator was exceeded, and in the Kyiv region, thanks to the component, the PrEP indicator of the second half of the year was achieved.



Normaly during the project a social workers recruit clients, counsel them about PrEP and sexual behavior, provide assistance in obtaining the medication and follow-up. In 2022 the organization has get partnership agreements with 8 health care facilities in 8 regions where it is kept on the balance of PrEP.

When a client applies to the issuance site by going directly to the project office, the social worker must establish the candidate's compliance with the specified conditions for selecting clients to participate in the project.

The social worker draws the potential client's attention to the fact that in order to participate in

this project, he must meet a number of requirements and explain to the client the benefits of participating in the project. The social worker initiates the screening with the help of a special questionnaire. If the eligibility criteria are met, the potential participant will be informed about the need to undergo the next stage of screening procedures - mandatory medical diagnosis on the basis of partner medical institutions in accordance with the list of examinations.

Potential clients have the opportunity to get to the points of issuance of PrEP on their own or with the assistance of employees of the organization and contact a responsible medical professional. Participants are invited to use the services of a social worker to undergo all types of diagnostics included in medical screening.

Project Implementation Results:

During January-December 2022 a 2145 clients in 9 regions received services (consultations on PrEP, HIV testing, accompaniment by social workers to the aids center to receive a PrEP medication). 820 of them receive a service in Kyiv city, 412 in Kyiv region, 382 in Kharkiv' city, 273 in Lviv, 135 in Dnipro city, 45 in Uzhgorod, 37 in Chernihiv city, 24 in Ivano-Frankivsk 17 in Chernivtsi.

Accompaniment and support for preprevention HIV exposure **Accompaniment (Additional components** during COVID-19)

Project implementation period: January- December 2022

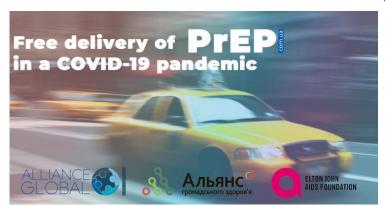
Donor: Alliance for Public Health

The project aims is to help MSM to safety receive PrEP under COVID-19 condition

using taxi and postal services provided by project.

Project description:

The project involves the use of web-site prep.com.ua to order medication delivery services to clients using postal and courier delivery, as well as escorting new clients by taxi to the AIDS center and back home. The provision of the service itself is accompanied



by a social worker. From the organization's side, logistics is carried out to order a taxi, monitor, and build a customer's route. The project provides for the reduction of the risk of infection with COVID-19: the sterillium. masks, respirators and gloves is provided for clients for the safety of the period of trip to the PrEP issuing points. The implementation is took place in biggest Ukrainian cities: Kyiv, Kharkiv and Dnipro.

Project Implementation Results:

During the project January-December 2022 one of the two services of the project was used by 1286 unique clients in 7 regions received services:



Service # 1 (delivery of the client by taxi for the first receipt of PrEP) was used by 1286 MSM: 734 of them receive, 198 in Kharkiv' city, 269 in Lviv, 8 in Dnipro city, 37 in Uzhgorod, 24 in Ivano-Frankivsk 16 in Chernivtsi.

Service # 2 (second receipt of PrEP by mail) was used by 207 MSM:, Kharkiv - 119 MSM, Lviv - 53 MSM; Ivano-Frankivsk - 11; Chernivtsi - 16; Uzgorod - 8 MSM

Prevention HIV program in Western Ukraine during the emergency situation in Ukraine among evacuated MSM including the support for ALLIANCE.GLOBAL employees and clients who displaced to west part of Ukraine.

Project implementation period: April - December 2022

Donor: ViiV Healthcare

The project aims is to help reduce the spread of HIV among MSM by introducing PrEP

as part of a combined prevention and care program in Ukraine.

Project description:

The project was born during the emergency situation in Ukraine, part of the population, including the HIV risk group MSM (MSM key population group), was evacuated from Central, South and East regions of Ukraine to the Western regions of Ukraine. Since HIV service programs in these regions were not ready for such migration, now the regions require increased attention, expertise and social work to provide MSM at risk with HIV testing, assistance in dispensary registration and initiation of ART treatment for newly diagnosed cases of HIV infection, search for and assistance in coordinating and registering for dispensary registration and ART of those clients who have moved due to evacuation and have lost the opportunity to receive ART in their region. There is also a need for crisis counselling and redirection clients to PrEP assistance for new cases and for those clients who have moved due to evacuation and have lost the ability to receive PrEP in their area.

The project has a few parts. The first part of the project provides for the start of the work of social workers of ALLIANCE.GLOBAL in several Western regions of Ukraine, where MSM have migrated. Social workers through social networks and MSM dating apps has contacting with the clients, identify client needs, provide counselling and offer free HIV testing services. The tasks of social workers were include: 1) crisis counselling; 2) HIV counselling; 3) testing for HIV; 4) providing oral HIV tests or sending by postal services; 5) accompanying clients to medical facilities to receive ART (for clients with newly diagnosed HIV status and clients with a long-standing status who migrated to Western Ukraine and lost the opportunity to receive ART in their region - this way the service will help maintain adherence); 6) redirection clients to the PrEP program where they escorting clients to medical institutions to receive PrEP (new clients to receive PrEP and clients who previously participated in the program, but migrated to Western Ukraine and thus lost the opportunity to receive PrEP in their region - the service will help maintain adherence), 7) advising on redirection to the network of shelters in the cities of Kyiv and Dnipro (for refugees from the Eastern part of Ukraine), as well as to shelters for people who migrated to Western Ukraine in the cities of Chernivtsi, Lviv, Ivano-Frankivsk. 8) Redirection to the program of receiving free condoms, lubricants furing HIV prevention program for MSM.

The second part of the project has been directed to the organization employees who during emergency situation in Ukraine, were evacuated to the Western regions of Ukraine. For those employees the project has provides support for evacuated employees by paying rent for employees in settlements where there is no possibility of free accommodation (it was include payment for hostels, hotels or flat or apartments for the duration of the employees' stay while working in Western Ukraine) and for the employees who made working visits to other western regions of Ukraine.

Project Implementation Results:

Thanks to this project, the organization was able to retain and support its employees in the field of HIV prevention, as well as redeploy some of its employees and social workers to the western regions of Ukraine, devise and implement new routes for recruiting clients and providing services to clients, grow the territory of its activities, retain employees, who were potentially going to leave the territory of Ukraine, as well as support and even preserve other key projects of the organization. For example, the PrEP (pre-expouse exposure) project, which was at risk of being lost, due to the predicted non-fulfillment of indicators, due to the fact that all the base regions of PrEP project activity in February-May were in the war zone, from which clients were forced to migrate to the western regions of Ukraine and the activities in these regions were reduced or stopped.

Thanks to this project, it was possible to support the transfer of preventive activities of the organization to Lviv, Uzhhorod, Ivano-Frankivsk, Chernivtsi and to continue its activities in these regions in the future. Keeping its key employees in safe regions of Ukraine made it possible to continuously carry out management processes in prevention projects and conduct field meetings with the directors of AIDS centers, meet with representatives of other donors and sign agreements on cooperation and establishing partnerships with health care institutions in four western regions of Ukraine.

Contacts were established, meetings were held and cooperation agreements were signed in the period from April to June 2022 in the following regions: Lviv region (city of Lviv), Chernivtsi region (city of Chernivtsi), Zakarpattia region (city of Uzhhorod), Ivano-Frankivsk region (city Ivano-Frankivsk). In all of the listed works, work was started on the prevention of HIV infection and the redirection of clients to related projects (PrEP, social support of HIV+ clients).

Following to our clients thanks to the project "Prevention HIV program in Western Ukraine during the emergency situation in Ukraine among evacuated MSM including the support for ALLIANCE.GLOBAL employees and clients who displaced to west part of Ukraine" has moved HIV-service activities from Kyiv, Kyiv region, Chernihiv, Kharkiv to Lviv, Chernivtsi, Ivano-Frankivsk and Uzhgorod, where MSM migrated most, fleeing hostilities from the central, eastern and southern regions Ukraine.

Having retained only a small part of the activities in the base regions for the organization (the central regions of the country), we noted an increased number of MSM and work in the western regions. Our project allowed us to continue working with MSM and come up with new approaches. The organization first started working in 4 western regions of Ukraine, providing HIV prevention services for displaced MSM and for local MSM.

To start work, cooperation agreements were signed with local healthcare institutions (In Ukraine only a state institution have drugs and medicines on their balance sheets, as well as dispensary registration of people who join the pre-exposure prophylaxis program and dispensary registration of people who have been diagnosed with HIV infection).

For work in the city of Lviv and the Lviv region, negotiations were held and a memorandum was signed with the healthcare institution "Lviv Regional Phthisis-Pulmonology Clinical Diagnostic Center". For work in the city of Chernivtsi and the Chernivtsi region, negotiations were held and a memorandum was signed with the "Chernivtsi Regional Center for Prevention and Combating AIDS".

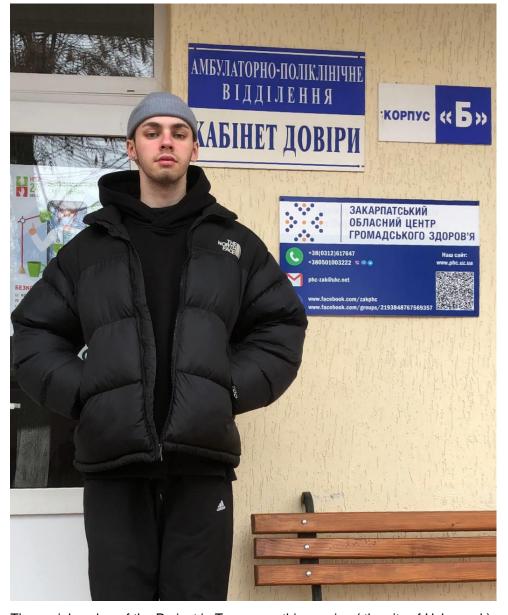
For work in the city of Ivano-Frankivsk and the region, negotiations were held and a memorandum was signed with the "Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Clinical Infectious Diseases Clinic of the Ivano-Frankivsk Region".

For work in the city of Uzhhorod and the Transcarpathian region, negotiations were held and a memorandum was signed with the "Transcarpathian Regional Community Health Center" in Uzhgorod.

Then the offices were opened in the cities of Lviv and Chernivtsi, employees were relocated and work to recruite and test clients has been began. In the cities of Uzhgorod and Ivano-Frankivsk, "outreach and hiv-testing/prep traveling spokesman". routes were established. ("outreach and hiv-testing/prep traveling spokesman" route — is when a social worker came to the city for several days to work with clients and provide them with counseling and HIV testing services and accompany them to healthcare facilities to start taking pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP)).

Thanks to agreements with healthcare institutions, it was possible to work on the basis of the health care institutions using the offices located on their territory.

During the project in 2022 a 329 MSM has been consulted and redirected for join (or renewed) the project of Pre Espouse Proxylaxy program (PrEP) in west regions of Ukraine, 466 MSM has been tested by rapid HIV test based on our testing points in west Ukraine regions by our social workers, 409 Oraquick HIV test has been issued for testing, 147 MSM local and migrants has been provided a food certificates, 22 MSM has been diagnosed with newly HIV infection during our project in west regions of Ukraine. The clinets has received crisis counseling and has been redirected to the program of helping to get dispensary registration and help for receiving ART.



The social worker of the Project in Transcarpathian region (the city of Uzhgorod) near local AIDS centre.



The social worker of the Project with the Doctor who is cooperate with ALLIANCE.GLOBAL in Transcarpathian region (the city of Uzhgorod) near local AIDS centre.



The social worker of the Project with the clinet before testing by OraQuick test in the project office of ALLIANCE.GLOBAL in Lviv region (the city of Lviv).



The social workers of the Project on meeting with delegation from Alliance For Public Health in the project office of ALLIANCE.GLOBAL in Lviv region (the city of Lviv).



The social worker of the Project in Transcarpathian region by **outrider route** in (the city of Uzhgorod) near local AIDS centre.



The social worker of the Project (by **outrider route)** with the Doctor who is cooperate with ALLIANCE.GLOBAL in Transcarpathian region (the city of Uzhgorod) near local AIDS centre.





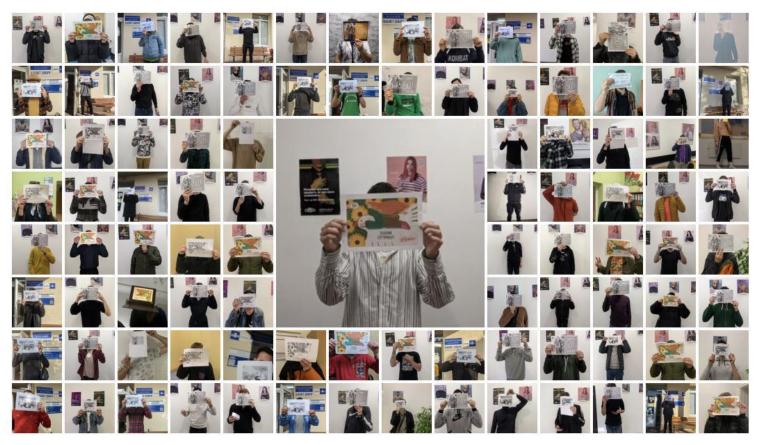






On the foto above the social worker of the Project (by **outrider route)** with the Doctor who is cooperate with ALLIANCE.GLOBAL and the HIV-positive clinet who is redirected to the project of accompanying clients to medical facilities to receive ART in Ivano-Frankivsk region (the city of Ivano-Frankivsk) in local AIDS centre which is based on "Ivano-Frankivsk Regional Clinical Infectious Diseases Clinic of the Ivano-Frankivsk Region".

On the foto left the social worker of the Project (left) with Psyhologist of the organization (right) near project office of ALLIANCE.GLOBAL in Chernivtsi region (the city of Chernivtsi).



More than hundreds clients of the Project who were received food certificates during humanitarian part of the project in Lviv region, Ivano-Frankivsk region, Chernivtsi region and Transcarpathian region.

Accompaniment and support for preexposure HIV prevention (PrEP) Accompaniment (Additional components - CHEMSEX)

Project implementation period: January- December 2022

Donor: Alliance for Public Health

The project aims the goal of this component of the project is to reduce harm among MSM practicing CHEMSEX and redirect them to pre-contact HIV prevention. The end result is that 600 clients will receive Party-Box harm reduction kits, counseling, oral HIV tests and questionnaires. Another component of the goal is the "early" detection of cases of HIV infection among sexually active MSM and, accordingly, further ensuring the achievement of the 90/90/90 indicators.

Project description: The project envisages the formation of an information space around the topic of CHEMSEX and informing about the services of the project, which aims at the development and further recognition among the audience and the further expansion of the project. Establishing contact with techno clubs, rave events, party organizers, and opinion leaders among the relevant community practicing "CHEMSEX" is

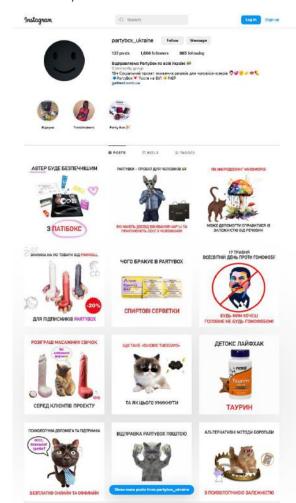
planned.

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Several routes of reaching the audience were tested and the most effective were determined. Activities in the project are divided into several directions: club work, online outreach work

and work through public opinion leaders.

First of all, a client recruitment scheme was launched, both online and offline. The project staff (social worker, communication manager), each through their own routes, looked for exit points for organized events with "CHEMSEX" in order to reach out to their participants and invite them to participate in the project. Each new project client received counseling services, assisted testing services, referrals to other prevention projects, a Party-Box harm reduction kit, and questionnaires. In the process of surveying the client who has joined the project, new potential routes for reaching new clients are



studied. Routes are analyzed and added as a tool for project staff to find new customer entry points.

The distribution of information about the existence of the project also took place with the assistance of the communication manager through Instagram and Telegram channels of public opinion leaders to reach the audience of men who practice "CHEMSEX".

Project Implementation Results:

During 2022, the coverage indicator was fulfilled by 101%, and 610 MSM received access to project services. Services for counseling, testing, questionnaires and issuing kits were provided for 610 MSM practicing CHEMSEX.

This year, the practice of using postal delivery of tests and pati-boxes for customers was implemented. This is which greatly facilitated the availability of the service and removed geographical restrictions for customers who migrated to provide the service.

The use of the strategy of attracting customers with the help of the main channel of communication - the Instagram account @partybox_ukraine, within which the customer recruitment system works, was continued. The service works 24/7 and guarantees the storage of personal data and confidential information provided during online consultations. Establishing trusting relationships with clients and credibility in their eyes made it possible to refer not the target audience representatives to other health care services that are outside the jurisdiction of the project: in DrugStore - people who use surfactants, but do not belong to MSM; to the SafeBox project - MSM who do not practice Chemsex, but are interested in receiving an HIV test by mail.

HealthLink in Dnipro

Project implementation period: October 2021 - September 2022.

Donor Name: Alliance for Public Health, United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

The goal of the project: expanding the access of risk groups and their sexual partners to high-quality, "friendly" counseling and testing services, timely provision of HIV-infected persons with care and support services, antiretroviral treatment, as well as prevention of new cases of HIV infection

Project activities:

The project, within the framework of which the activity was carried out, is aimed at preventing the spread of HIV and STDs (sexually transmitted infections) and providing support and treatment for persons who have tested positive. The main components of this project include:

Project activities:

1. Testing with rapid tests for HIV and STDs: The project provided access to free testing with rapid tests for HIV and STDs. This made it possible to quickly identify the infection and provide the necessary support and treatment.





2. Escorting clients to a medical institution and putting them on D-recording: In the case of a positive test result, clients were accompanied to a medical institution, where the necessary treatment and diagnostics were carried out. They also applied for D-accounting, which facilitates health control and access to further medical care.

3. Antiretroviral therapy (ART): Clients who tested positive were supported to take antiretroviral therapy. This helps support the immune system and reduce the risk of HIV transitioning to the AIDS stage.

- 4. Distribution of condoms and lubricants: Within the framework of the project, it was possible to obtain condoms and lubricants. This supports safe sex and prevents the spread of HIV and STDs.
- 5. Safe boxes: Customers had the opportunity to receive safe boxes by mail or directly at the organization's office. The safe boxes contained an oral HIV test, condoms, lubricants and information materials. This made it possible to test in a convenient way and provided access to protection tools.



6. Support and referral for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis (PreP): The project also introduced the practice of accompanying clients for referral to HIV pre-contact prevention (PreP). This includes providing drugs that reduce the risk of HIV infection in high-risk populations.





7. The project provided the services of a psychologist, where clients received psychological support in the format of online meetings and directly in the office. According to the results of the analysis of the psychologist's reports, the most frequent problems with which clients apply are depressed mood and anxiety.

depressive states due to self-acceptance and relationships with partners. After the start of hostilities in the country, the topics of referrals to psychologists changed, most clients addressed anxiety problems and fears.

- 8. Club community activities: The project also implemented community club activities, where clients could get branded products and other useful things. This helped to strengthen the community, share experiences and support among customers.
- 9. A loyalty program was implemented in the form of the game "The Tempter", in the framework of which clients could gain knowledge about HIV prevention and receive branded gifts.



All these components of the project are aimed at preventing the spread of HIV and STDs, providing access to medical care and support for people who have been tested and received a positive result, and also contribute to improving the quality of life of clients in the context of HIV infection.

Project results:

During the project year, prevention services reached 2,823 members of the MSM community, and 42,814 condoms and 12,694 lubricants were distributed.

Among the covered customers:

- 1,362 clients received assisted HIV testing services;
- 45 clients received a positive test result for HIV and received social support services (detection 3.3%);
- 45 clients were placed under medical supervision (100% proof);

- 42 clients received ART for the first time in their lives (93.3% success rate).

1293 clients received assisted HCV testing services, all test results were negative; 1,434 clients received assisted syphilis testing services and no positive results were found among them.

During the year, 3,769 oral test systems were distributed, and the feedback statistics regarding the results of self-testing with oral tests are as follows:

- Unknown result 1271, which is almost 33.7%
- Negative result 2498, which is 66.3%

During the year, the project involved 62 cases of DCP, all of them representatives of the MSM community, who have a high risk of HIV infection.

HealthLink in Kyiv region

Project implementation period: October 2021 - September 2022

Donor: Alliance for Public Health, United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

Project goal: The aim of the project is to expand the access of representatives of the highest risk groups, namely MSM, their sexual partners to quality, "friendly" groups, counseling and testing services, timely coverage of HIV-infected people with care and support services, antiretroviral treatment and prevention new cases of HIV infection, including PrEP.

The objectives of the project are the following:

- 1. Promote the formation of a safe pattern of behavior among project clients, which will allow them to maintain health and at the same time act as agents for further involvement in testing of sexual partners and "social / communicative" networks.
- 2. Provide services to support the HIV testing process to project clients.
- 3. Redirect project clients to other social and medical services and projects that provide services in the region according to client needs.
- 4. Ensuring the navigation process, which includes confirmation of a positive result of a rapid HIV test in a CHP, HIV testing, assistance in ensuring diagnosis and timely referral for treatment, initiation of ART.
- 5. Expanding the network of friendly doctors to the MSM community.

The main activities of the project in 2022 (October 2021 - September 2022):

During the reporting period, a total of **774 MSM** was covered by prevention services.

Regarding the cascade in Kyiv region:

- 447 clients received assisted testing services.
- 24 clients received a positive HIV result (5,4%),
- 23 clients were under medical supervision (95,8%) and 23 clients started taking ART (100%).





Project results for 2022 year (October 2021 - September 2022)











	Received rapid HIV test		Received support to the hospital	Taking on the Dispensary Register	Started taking ART
Kyiv region	447	24 (5,4%)	23 (95,8%)	23 (95,8%)	23 (100%)

All clients who were identified by social workers as a result of a quick test were asked to bring their sexual partners. Work in the direction of IT continues, in the format of involving all partners in motivational counseling, involving close associates (permanent and casual partners).

Regarding additional motivation for clients, namely HCV testing and syphilis: **264 clients** received HCV assisted testing services, all CT results were negative. Assisted testing for syphilis was received by **293 clients**, all CT results were negative.

In the reporting quarter, 1 611 oral tests were distributed, of which 594 Oral tests and 1 017 Safe boxes were distributed.

When issuing oral tests to the client, a consultation is held regarding the need to contact the health center in case of a "Positive" result of self-testing with oral tests.

Direction "Ensuring support for the reception of pre-contact prevention for the target groups of the project": During the reporting period, the project involved 31 cases.

Regarding customer engagement: models, it is advertising on social networks (Facebook, Instagram, Bluesystem, Hornet). Advertising campaigns are focused on attracting customers to the site www.gettest.com.ua where the client can independently choose the services that interest him, sign up for free, convenient time.

In connection with active hostilities in the Kyiv region (Irpin, Bucha, Bila Tserkva), the work of the health centers involved in the project was suspended starting from March 2022. Work was resumed based on the situation in the region and the availability opportunities to restore project services.

Thus, starting from April 2022, work was resumed as follows - the city of Bila Tserkva resumed the provision of services April 1, 2022, Irpin - April 25, 2022, and Bucha - May 3, 2022.

The following activities were carried out in the project before the service delivery points were restored:

Doctors involved in the project provided consultations remotely. Consultations were provided to HIV+ MSM and MSM who were involved in the DCP component:

- regarding the receipt of ART and DCP drugs in the places of MSM and/or Sending by mail through authorized persons,
- regarding forwarding to other specialists, including online consultations profile specialists on the HELP24 website,
 - regarding the possibility of ordering and receiving safe boxes for self-testing.

Community Action for HIV Control

Project implementation period: October 2022 - September 2023

Donor: Pact Inc., USAID

Project goal: strengthen Ukraine's efforts to achieve control of the HIV epidemic by 2030 by improving programs for prevention, testing and placing representatives of key and priority groups under medical supervision. The project focuses on introducing a flexible approach to the provision of HIV services using differentiated service delivery (DSD) models, strengthening the capacity of regional subgrantee organizations and updating the regulatory framework to expand access to HIV services.



Project tasks:

Task 1. Implementation of rapid HIV testing among MSM to identify new HIV cases outside of medical facilities, including the distribution of free oral HIV tests for self-diagnosis of index partners of HIV+ MSM.

The task involves the following activities:

- 1. Involvement of MSM in prevention and testing services, through the use of advertising on the Internet (social networks, dating sites, mobile dating applications, etc.).
- 2. Motivating MSM to test for HIV through online consultations, during personal meetings, and group consultations.
- 3. Provision of HIV testing services using rapid tests to new clients on the basis of a consulting office with further support at all stages from testing to registration and prescribing ART.
- 4. Provision of HIV prevention services among MSM, including consultation of the project's social/medical worker.
- 5. Involvement of sexual partners of MSM-PLHIV (both those identified thanks to the

- project's efforts and those who turn to the Organization for other services) to HIV testing services, with further support at all stages from testing to registration and prescribing ART.
- 6. Conducting pre-test information and training of the client by a social/medical worker in the procedure of self-testing.
- 7. Providing testing results to clients (positive, negative, unknown result) to further refer clients who reported a reactive result for retesting, status confirmation and treatment.
- 8. Distribution of free oral HIV tests for self-diagnosis of index partners of HIV+ MSM.

Task 2. Ensuring the navigation process, which includes confirmation of a positive result of a rapid test for HIV in a healthcare facility, registration in a dispensary record in connection with HIV infection, assistance in ensuring diagnosis and timely referral for treatment, start of HIV-treatment.

The task involves the following activities:

- Motivational counseling of a social/medical worker regarding the client's preservation of his own health, informing about the benefits of being placed on the medical record and timely appointment of treatment. The social worker conducts at least two face-to-face consultations and maintains regular telephone contact with the client;
- 2. Providing the client with a clear scheme of visiting and the work schedule of the AIDS Center ("Trust" office). All necessary information is provided regarding the possible location of confirmatory tests. The project operates a system of redirecting clients with a positive result of a rapid test to AIDS centers or "Trust" offices. The client is given a completed "Referral" with the stamp of an PO or health care provider, which issues a referral to the AIDS Center (or the "Trust" office at a medical institution) for the purpose of confirming the result of a rapid test by the ELISA method, establishing a diagnosis of HIV infection and further medical observation.
- 3. Facilitating community support involving the client in activities such as support groups, educational structured sessions on living with HIV, supportive online counseling, etc.

Task 3. Providing support for MSM who are at high risk of HIV infection to receive pre-contact HIV prevention (PrEP)

The task involves the following activities:

- 1. Provision of PrEP counseling services among HIV-negative index partners and MSM.
- 2. Conducting non-medical screening of potential clients who wish to receive PrEP, which includes screening for compliance with the criteria for inclusion in the project and the presence of signs in which the use of PrEP is recommended;
- 3. Accompaniment of the client to the medical center of issuing PrEP and laboratory diagnosis of serum creatinine level for prescribing PrEP.



Progress in numbers for the IV quarter of 2022:

- **-1,017 people** were tested for HIV in Kyiv and Kyiv region(Irpin, Bucha, Bila Tserka), Dnipro and Dnipro region(Novomosovk, Pyatihatky), Lviv;
- 659 people were given preventive materials (condoms and lubricants);
- **-23 people** found out about the positive result;
- **-22 people** confirmed HIV+ status;
- **-22 people** received the necessary support and started treatment(ART);
- -238 people received an oral HIV test by post;
- -13 people received the necessary accompaniment to start PrEP and started it

The project is implemented with the support of the United States Agency for International Development (USAID) within the framework of the Emergency Initiative of the President of the United States to provide assistance in the fight against HIV/AIDS (PEPFAR). The executors of the project are a consortium of three organizations: Pact, FHI 360 ("Family Health International") and AFEW-Ukraine ("AIDS Fund East-West").

Kyiv MSM Shelter

Project implementation period: January - December 2022

Donor's name: CF "100 percent of life"

The purpose of the project:

The main purpose of the project was to continue the operation of the shelter - a safe place for MSM and TG to live, where they could live from one to three months, undergo a complex of resocialization in the conditions of the COVID-19 pandemic.

Project description:

The Shelter program included the help of a psychologist and individual and group psychological consultations. During the entire period of stay



in the Shelter, each client must receive psychological support, assistance and counseling. The result of the stay in the Shelter was to be a successful search for housing and a job, as well as the socialization of each client.

One of the tasks of the project was to ensure the safety of clients during their stay at the Shelter. It was necessary to prevent the possibility of an attack on Shelter and his clients by right-wing organizations, as well as to screen out potentially dangerous clients with the help of a preliminary questionnaire and a mandatory interview with a psychologist.

It was also necessary to provide the shelter with means of protection against the COVID-19 pandemic, such as disinfectants, masks, tests, etc. means of protection. And develop measures and rules for staying in a shelter during a pandemic.

In addition, it was necessary to inform the LGBT community about the existence of Shelter, in safe ways, to make it accessible to those who need help.

Stages of the project:

To implement our project, we continued to rent housing from LGBT-friendly owners, which is equipped with 15 places to live. The shelter was almost completely equipped with new furniture and electrical appliances, with funds from private donors and foreign donors.



With the beginning of the full-scale invasion of Russia, we had to urgently look for additional funds for the emergency needs of the residents of the shelter. Therefore, every month we provided them with food, food certificates or kits, hygiene certificates or kits. If necessary, they provided individual financial assistance for relocation, clothing and other urgent needs.

To ensure the safety of Shelter clients, we, together with a psychologist and project consultants, updated the settlement questionnaires, adapting them to the conditions and consequences of hostilities experienced by our community members, for people who had or received the status of IDPs, which were mandatory for each project participant and allowed to assess their psychological state. Before the settlement, the potential client of the project had to undergo an interview with a psychologist, so that we could assess the risks and prevent possible conflicts in the middle of the shelter. We have also revised the rules for staying in the Shelter and clear instructions on maintaining the confidentiality of the location of the shelter. In addition, we informed the nearest police stations and groups of TRO units about the work of Shelter, in order to protect both clients from right-wing organizations in the event of their attack, which were relevant at the time, and residents themselves from possible internal conflicts.

Developed questionnaires and topics for conducting psychological support groups in conditions of acute stress due to the consequences of hostilities. Thanks to interviews with a psychologist, we were able to provide regular psychological support and counseling at group events.

A lot of effort was spent on fundraising, negotiations, and other activities to attract

additional funds to expand the range of humanitarian services and open new shelters on the territory of Ukraine.

Faced with a power outage crisis, they purchased all the necessary equipment to provide the shelter with light, heat, and the ability to cook food.

Established communications with other LGBT-friendly organizations, such as "Kyivpride", "Conviktus", etc., to strengthen the capacity and help residents and the



community as a whole, for quick response and referral of clients to solve emergency problems. Separately, we cooperated with administrative institutions to help residents obtain IDP certificates or restore documents.

At the expense of the relevant project, a qualified medical representative was involved, who advised clients of all shelters of the PO "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" on medical issues in an online format, and was invited to conduct group events of a medical educational nature.

Project implementation results:

As of the end of December 2022, we received more than 80 requests and were able to provide safe accommodation for 62 people. The client's stay in the shelter was about 2-3 months; during the existence of the project, there were no repeated appeals.

The majority of Shelter residents belonged to the MSM group. Most of them came from different regions of Ukraine, including the temporarily occupied territories of Luhansk and Donetsk regions. During their stay at the Shelter, almost all clients have found work and are now renting separate housing, often with other former Shelter clients.



During 2022, 3 more shelters will be opened in the cities of Ukraine: Dnipro, Lviv, Chernivtsi. In the future, it is planned to open a shelter in Kharkiv.

Cooperation was established and assistance was received from the following major foreign organizations: Outright International, UNAIDS Emergency Fund, AIDS Action Europe, Aktionsbündnis gegen Homophobie, Fondation de Franc and private donors.e, Rainbow Railroad, and private donors.

Support of HIV-positive MSM in Kyiv

Project implementation period: January 2022 - December 2022

Donor: Solidarite SIDA

The aim of the project is the provision of support and conduction of support and self-acceptance group meetings for HIV positive gay and bisexual man, and other MSMS in Kyiv.

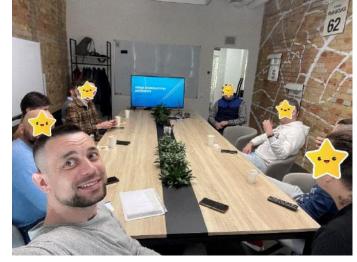
Project description:

The group is aimed at people living with HIV, and those who have recently been diagnosed, and is based on the principle of "peer-to-peer" (all group members and the facilitator are HIV-positive). The main slogan of the UAGuys + group is "HIV: life goes on!"

The main advantage of participating in this particular group is the comfort and freedom to choose a place for meetings (participants discuss together and choose a place for the next meeting). The group is held once a week (Saturday or Sunday).

Participation in the support group meetings allows HIV positive MSM in Kyiv:

- get the necessary moral support;
- communicate with people who face the same problems;
- discuss support or partnerships;
- prepare for the possible consequences/risks of disclosing your HIV status;
- learn about adherence to ARV therapy and why it is important to adhere to it;
- how to take care of your health and protect your partner;
- find new friends and like-minded people;
- receive, if necessary, individual consultations from a psychologist;
- a good time with peer people.



On February 24, 2022, the full-scale rejection of the Russian Federation in Ukraine began. Which in turn led to mass migration of residents of Kyiv and Kyiv region to safer cities of Ukraine in the West of the country.

The majority of HIV+ MSM also left the capital and faced the problem of access to ART. Such clients were individually redirected to other projects of the organization, the goal of which was to maintain patients' access to treatment and maintain their commitment. Thus, the social worker could obtain ART for the patient and mail it to the patient's location.

Group meetings resumed in August 2022, after the de-occupation of the Kyiv region and the return of the majority of residents of Kyiv and the region to their homes.

Besides the support group meetings, the individual peer-to-peer consultations as well as psychological consultations are provided.

During project implementation in total **21 group meetings** were held in the period January 1st, 2022 – December 31st 2022, **184 Phycological consultations** have been provided. Invited experts were involved in the conduction of several group meetings, to discuss topics by participant's requests.

Peer-to-peer support, psychological support was provided mostly online. Support group meetings were conducted in a mixed format.

Most group meetings were held online to ensure security during air raids and due to Russian military aggression against Ukraine.



As some of the participants have stated during meetings, the existence of such a support group is essential and important for them, as this is the only place and space where they can feel fully safe and secure in society, where they can share their thoughts and worries and gain knowledge.

Mutual support and solidarity, as well as knowledge and experience gaining among participants of the group, are one of the key accomplishments and achievements of support groups.

One of the achievements of the project, as mentioned by the group members is the reduction of self-stigma and acceptance of themselves among HIV-positive MSM due to the support-group meetings.

With the conduction of support group meetings, peer-to-peer and psychological support provision we aim to help MSM PLHIV to accept themselves, start the ARV treatment and establish good adherence. During the support group meetings, meetings with experts, informational meetings, we provide information and knowledge to raise the awareness and capacity of group members, thus contribute to self-acceptance, quality of life of people living with HIV. As a result of our activities, we achieve the highest level of commitment and commitment to ART among project participants and their acquaintances even in the conditions of military aggression of the Russian Federation against Ukraine.

PHC (Public Health Center) - project

Implementation period: May 2022 - December 2022

Donor: PHC (Public Health Center)

The project has several testing points in two cities - Kyiv and Chernihiv, which are equipped and prepared according to the SOPs for the provision of assisted testing services.

In Kyiv, the project is implemented within the framework of a subcontract with the organization "100% Life Kyiv", in Chernihiv directly with the Public Health Center.

Social workers involved in the implementation of the contract are engaged in recruiting clients on the basis of the most popular resources among representatives of the MSM



community (Hornet, Bluesystem, Grindr, Instagram, closed Telegram channels and public). From where potential customers are invited and motivated to use the services.

The organization provides an internal system for redirecting clients to the services of other projects that are not provided for in the framework of the state order (psychological services, consulting a dermatovenereologist doctor, support for start a PrEP and additional motivations that are provided in the direction of support, obtaining a saliva test, etc.). The client who has used the services provided for in the implementation of the contract could apply for relevant services to other projects of the organization.

As part of the organization's activities, the organization has a successful experience of including a representative of the community and the organization in the

coordination councils on combating the HIV/AIDS epidemic (both regional and city in different regions of Ukraine).

In 2021, the project's services were used by more than 6,320 people. Social workers of the project provided 15,145 consultations, conducted 10,730 HIV tests and issued preventive materials more than 10,000 times. Clients receive assisted self-testing for HIV, informational consultations, tuberculosis screening and condoms with lubricants. Clients who received services and have a high level of possibility of HIV infection were redirected to receive accompaniment services to start PrEP.

"Supporting communities in times of war"

Project implementation period: June 2022 - August 2022 (3 months)

Donor: IBF "Alliance of Public Health"

The purpose of the project is to support communities aimed at ensuring national humanitarian, social and medical needs and a decent life in crisis conditions in Kyiv and the Kyiv region.

Project description:

Humanitarian aid to vulnerable groups of the population in conditions of war.

All activities were aimed at cooperation in the field of response to crisis situations and the provision of humanitarian aid to the most vulnerable sections of the population; integration of humanitarian aid with basic health services, including psychosocial support, using mobile units, online consultation and further referral to health care facilities; addressing human rights violations, stigma and inequalities in access to services and creating safe spaces for marginalized communities; strengthening the capacity of partner NGOs to support community crisis response and effective delivery of humanitarian assistance to communities.

Thanks to this project, the PO "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" will be able to involve in the prevention program people who were forced to leave their homes in other cities where military operations are currently taking place.

In addition, cooperation with other active projects helps the organization to provide more extensive assistance to customers who ask for help. Thanks to the established redirection, in addition to humanitarian aid provided for by this project, the following services were provided to clients in other projects, namely: testing for HIV and STIs, consultations and support at the DCP, assistance in obtaining ART for PLHIV, provision of targeted financial assistance to applicants with other cities Also, thanks to this project, we will be able to provide assistance to existing clients of the organization who found themselves in difficult circumstances due to the invasion of the Rashists in Ukraine.

Customer requests were collected mainly through the creation of a Google form, which was filled out by customers to receive help. Thanks to the additional field, customers could indicate additional comments regarding the help they need. Clients who could not be helped within the scope of this project were redirected to other projects of the organization, where they were tried to be helped. For example, clients from other cities who could not contact our office were transferred to work in a project in which it



was possible to provide targeted monetary assistance to a payment card, without the need to visit the office.

Also, taking into account the experience of implementing the previous humanitarian project for PLHIV, which began to be implemented by our organization in May 2022, we

managed to understand that not always our food, hygiene and medical kits can satisfy the client's request. That is why the current project provided for the purchase of cash certificates for the purchase of products, household chemicals, hygiene products and medicines, which significantly expanded the ability to meet the needs of customers, as well as avoid the need to store these products at the organization's office and possible spoilage of products.

Also, thanks to the previous experience of implementing a humanitarian project in which the consultation of a psychologist and a lawyer was provided, we managed to save the budget of the current project for these activities and all clients with a request for the consultation of a psychologist and a lawyer were redirected to another project in which these specialists were already involved.

As part of the project, **300 Silpo humanitarian certificates** for the purchase of food were purchased and distributed. **298 people** received certificates.

Also purchased and distributed:

- **210 certificates** for the purchase of personal hygiene products. **209 people** received hygiene certificates;
- 210 certificates for the purchase of medicines.
 209 people received medical certificates;



Within the scope of the project, consultations were provided by a family doctor. Consultations were provided in accordance with customer requests. A total of **10** consultations were provided.

Also, one of the directions of the project was - **Financing of mini-projects initiated by community teams.**

In total, during the reporting period, **4 mini-grants** were issued for a total amount of UAH **329,716.00.**

- 1. **BF "From Hand to Hand"** mini-grant amount **UAH 49,000.00**. Target group Families in difficult life circumstances, victims of hostilities, pensioners, people with disabilities. Activities within the scope of the mini-grant Issuance of food hygiene kits and diapers. 50 sets were issued. 125 people were covered.
- 2. **NGO "Angels of Irpenya"** mini-grant amount **UAH 66,400.00**. The target group is IDPs with children aged 3-14, victims of hostilities, single parents and families with many children, families in difficult life circumstances. Activities within the scope of the mini-grant Issuance of hygiene kits. 300 sets were issued. Covered about 750 people.
- 3. **BF "Development Assistance"** mini-grant amount **UAH 105,650.00**. Target group Families in difficult life circumstances, victims of hostilities, people with disabilities, large families. Activities within the scope of the mini-grant Issuance of hygiene kits 100 kits were issued, about 250 people were reached.
- 4. **NGO** "Public Ray of the Future" mini-grant amount **UAH 108,666.00**. Target group Families in difficult life circumstances, victims of hostilities, people with disabilities, large families. Activities within the scope of the mini-grant Issuance of construction tools for free rent. 24 sets of tools were issued. Covered about 60 people.

In the photo below, you can see the state of the settlements after the Russian invasion of the territory of the Buchansk OTG, how people receive construction materials and tools in the **"Building Workshop"**, work with the received tools themselves, and purchased construction materials and tools.



















"Innovations to overcome the HIV epidemic"

Project implementation period: April 2022 - September 2022

Donor: PACT

The purpose of the project is to support the community with a focus on HIV+ MSM, aimed at ensuring humanitarian, social and medical needs and a dignified life in the conditions of war.

The PO "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" provided services to the "Innovations to overcome the HIV epidemic" project in two regions of Ukraine - Kyiv region and Dnipropetrovsk region.

The main activities of the project were aimed at providing humanitarian aid to vulnerable groups, such as MSM and HIV+ MSM. At the beginning of the project, as part of the program activities, medical kits were purchased, which included a set of basic medical drugs, as well as hygiene kits, which were distributed among the project's clients, who turned to the NGO for help. We also managed to get free of charge 150 grocery sets worth UAH 600 from the GOODWILL CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, containing vegetables, fruits, canned goods, sugar, oil, milk, eggs, etc.

In the conditions of military operations in the country, the primary task of every person is to protect his life and the lives of his family and friends. It is extremely difficult to draw a person's attention to his own health at such a time, including due to the complete uncertainty of the future. It is especially difficult to motivate people to get tested for HIV.

First of all, the main activities of the project focused on providing humanitarian aid to HIV+ MSM, as well as HIV testing of their partners and other MSM clients of the organization. But due to military actions and constant migration of residents of Kyiv and Dnipropetrovsk regions, it was extremely difficult to continue working with existing clients of the organization. The main barrier was reaching out to new customers with existing resources and the need to adapt the project to existing customer requests.

During the implementation of the project, the type namely food, medical and hygiene kits were replaced with

"Product Certificate" for 500 UAH. in the supermarket chain "Silpo", "Medical certificates" for UAH 250. to the network of pharmacies "Good Day" and "Hygiene certificate" for UAH 250. to the chain of stores "Eva" and "Watsons". These kits and certificates were distributed as humanitarian aid for HIV+ MSM, and as motivational kits to attract MSM to the ST test for HIV infection.

In total, the following number of sets/certificates were distributed during the reporting period:

1. **Product sets** were issued in the amount **of 150 pc** the city of Kyiv. **100 product certificates** were issued, of which **50 in Cyliv and 50 in Dhipro. 167 people** received them, of which **49 were PLHIV** as humanitarian aid, and **118 MSM** as motivation to test for HIV infection.

- 2. **Medical kits** were issued in the amount of **25 pcs**., of which 15 pcs. in the city of Kyiv, and 10 pcs. in the city of Dnipro. **Medical certificates** were issued in the amount of **77 pcs**., of which 47 pcs. in the city of Kyiv, and 30 pcs. in the city of Dnipro. **100 people** received them, of which **71 PLHIV** as humanitarian aid, and **29 MSM** as motivation for HIV testing infection
- 3. **Hygienic kits** were issued in the amount of **80 pcs**., of which 40 pcs. in the city of Kyiv and 40 pcs. in the city of Dnipro. **13 hygienic certificates** were issued, of which 13 in the city of Kyiv, and 0 in the city of Dnipro. **93 people** received them, of which **33 were PLHIV** as humanitarian aid, and **60 MSM** as motivation for HIV testing infection

Thanks to the distribution of motivational kits among MSM with the aim of attracting them to testing and thanks to cooperation with other NG

attract **229 people** to testing with rapid blood HIV tests in **Kyiv**, of which **6 HIV+** MSM were identified. The percentage of detection of new cases of HIV infection in the city of **Kyiv is 2.6%.** As for the city of Dnipro, oral tests for self-testing were distributed there. In total, **125 people** received **oral tests**, of which **5 HIV+ MSM** were found. The percentage of detection of new cases of HIV infection in the city of **Dnipro is 4.0%.** In total, within the scope of the project, **354 persons** were involved in HIV testing services, of which **11 HIV+ MSM** were identified. The percentage of detection of new cases of **HIV infection is 3.1%.** The cascade of bringing new cases of 100%.



Involvement of MSM in HIV testing took place with the help of a "Google form" in which every applicant for humanitarian aid could optionally choose HIV testing. Thanks to cooperation with another humanitarian project "Supporting communities in conditions of war" with the support of the "Public Health Alliance" IBF, which was implemented by the PO "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" and which did not provide for HIV testing, the referral for HIV testing was carried out in the current project. An advertising campaign and dissemination of information about projects was also carried out on Facebook and Instagram social networks. The information was posted in special MSM communities and the Hornet MSM dating application.

Free consultations of a psychologist and a lawyer were also provided as part of the project. Thus, during the reporting period, **74 people** received **psychological counseling**, **25 people** received **legal counseling**.

82 HIV+ MSM received the "Ensure continuity of ART" service, of which 41 received medication by mail. 22 HIV+ MSM received transportation services to medical facilities by taxi in order to receive ART.

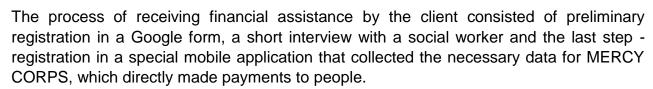
"Supporting members MSM/LGBT community and their families during the war"

Project implementation period: December 2022 - March 2023

Donor: MERCY CORPS

Starting from December 2022, the PO "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" in partnership with MERCY CORPS, funded by FSDO, started a project to issue multi-purpose cash assistance to representatives of the LGBTI community and their families. Assistance within the framework of this project was primarily aimed at people who are in difficult life circumstances due to the full-scale war of aggression launched by the Russian Federation on the territory of Ukraine. The payment of monetary assistance was determined using the following criteria:

- internally displaced persons;
- -people do not have jobs (due to the war, the labor market has fallen dramatically);
- income less than 150 dollars per month;
- the presence of chronic diseases, disabilities or a family member with chronic diseases/disabilities;
- loss/damage of housing/property;
- people living in the front-line zone;
- single mother or father;
- there is a person over 60 years old in the family;
- there are minors in the family.

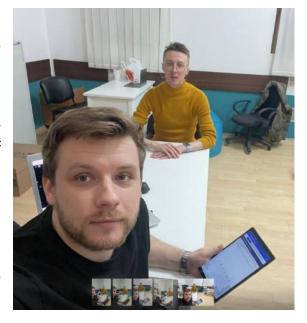


Both offline and online registration was available for all customers. Also, during the interview, social workers informed all clients about the possibility of receiving other services from the public organization "ALLIANCE.GLOBAL" such as testing for HIV and STIs, issuing PrEP, psychological consultations, humanitarian aid (food, hygiene products, clothes, power banks).

Despite the fact that the project started during a period of regular protracted blackouts, the social workers fully fulfilled the tasks set before them and even contacted the clients even at night (by prior arrangement) when the clients had light and internet connection.

During the period from December 23 to December 31, social workers registered 189 households (511 people) for cash assistance payments.

The planned number of household registrations for the 4 months of project activity was 2,000 (5,400 people).



Conclusions

The main qualitative achievements of the organization in 2022:

- ➤ The organization quickly changed strategic approaches and activities, taking into account the realities of war and a large-scale invasion
- ➤ The organization promptly responded to requests and needs of clients in wartime conditions and managed to provide support to clients in various formats (both financial and non-monetary support)
- ➤ The organization has significantly developed areas of activity for clients who find themselves in difficult life circumstances (psychological health, legal support, humanitarian aid)
- ➤ The organization maintained as much as possible (if possible) ties with European organizations in order to support the organization's clients who migrated abroad due to the war
- In the conditions of the war, the organization managed to maintain personnel support and promptly respond to regional movements inside of the country
- The organization maintains the status of the largest MSM/LGBT organization in Ukraine
- ➤ Emergency expansion of cooperation with international donors, especially in the field of humanitarian aid and services
- ➤ The organization has ensured constant communication with customers in wartime through experience and communication with customers through social media and through national media campaigns.
- > The war and the constant migration of customers led to a significant expansion of the geography of the organization's activities
- ➤ The organization provided clients with access to innovative prevention tools and methods (PrEP, chemsex, STIs, etc.)
- Development and strengthening of social work on the Internet with the coverage of hard-to-reach MSM in war conditions (increase in the number of services of the organization and coverage of clients)
- > There was constant monitoring and response to the needs of customers in wartime conditions