

THE LATEST FROM ZVANDIRI **JULY TO SEPTEMBER 2019**



59,753

children, adolescents and young people living with HIV received Zvandiri services across 51 districts of Zimbabwe, through home visits, support groups and ART refill groups, clinic visits and MHealth



Led by 926 trained, mentored CATS,

integrated in 613 health facilities, supervised by Nurses and Primary Counsellors, with technical assistance from 49 Zvandiri Mentors and 42 Zvandiri interns.



HTS



9,388 children,

adolescents and young people were tested for HIV, through index case finding



Diagnosed with HIV



linked and initiated on ART



7,862

self-test kits distributed to 16-24 year olds by CATS



used the self-test to screen for HIV



of those received confirmatory testing at the clinic





were confirmed **HIV** positive



linked to ART

VIRAL LOAD MONITORING

75% were virologically suppressed

14690 children, adolescents and young people were bled for viral load

DIFFERENTIATED SERVICE DELIVERY



82% required standard care

required enhanced care



82% received their results

CATS HEALTH

803 CATS Health Assessments



95% bled for Viral Load in last 12 months



92% virologically suppressed



12 switched to TLD



1 death - meningitis



588 screened for TB



76% received follow up investigations All screened negative



41 commenced on TPT and supported to adhere



137 female CATS linked to cervical cancer screening

1 screened positive and linked to services

TB

Pilot of CATS-led, community based active case finding in Mashonaland West



96 CATS trained to **screen** for TB, **mobilise** for TPT and refer to TB services.

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132 screened positive for TB



4 diagnosed



on TPT and supported to adhere

MOHCC communication to Provincial Medical Directors supporting scale up of CATS-led TB screening and mobilization for TPT in all districts

2029 mental health screenings were done by CATS, ZMs and ZIs

354 of these screenings were done by CATS

26% at risk of mental health conditions

70% with depression, 29% anxiety, 12% trauma, 9% substance abuse, 5%psychosis



Mentorship, onsite & e-supervision

for districts to identify, support and refer children, adolescents and young people with mental health conditions.

MENTAL HEALTH

Post cyclone Idai support and supervision in Chipinge & Chimanimani

Continuation of the mental health study in 10 districts in partnership with Friendship Bench.

MONITORING OF MORTALITY



8 district mortality reports were submitted



36 had documented high viral loads



death was related to severe malaria



2 deaths were related to TB

111

3 were defaulters

DOLUTEGRAVIR – WHAT'S NEW?



Collaborated with MoHCC to create DTG animation

"There's a new medicine town" www.africaid-zvandiri.org

Piloted a survey investigating attitudes and perceptions around DTG among young people.

134 adolescents and young people participated of which 63% were females

74% positive towards being switched to Dolutegravir



1090 Young Mothers were screened for depression using the SSQ-14

56% had depression

47% had suicidal ideations

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15% had psychotic symptoms

59% needed medication (anti-depressants /anti-psychotics) together with counselling to cope better with life stresses and challenges.



SOCIAL PROTECTION CATS led identification and referral of

347 protection &



1,691 welfare cases

344 CATS working alongside case care workers and social welfare officers to promote the identification, referral and response for children at risk of

Africaid received a documentation award from ViiV Health Care Positive Action for children to document HIV sensitive social protection work with ten children from Zvandiri



72 trained and mentored **Young Mentor Mothers** supporting 1386 pregnant or breastfeeding young mothers in 38 health facilities.



88 % of the young mothers have undetectable viral loads.

Oral abstract

detailing the work of the YMM project to be shared during the HIV and Adolescence Conference in Nairobi in October, 2019



Collaborative development, pilot and finalization of YMMs training curriculum and **YM Support Group** curriculum with **MOHCC**



HIV negative X



mental conditions and mental conditions and referred for enhanced counselling counselling

51 young mothers have been screened for cervical cancer with VIAC. 2 (3.9%) tested positive and were referred for services

69% of the young women's partners have been tested for HIV. 62% of those tested are living with HIV and 97% of them are on ART. 44% of those testing negative are currently on PrEP.

Operations research completed and 177 mother baby pairs assessed to explore the clinical and psychosocial status of HIV positive young mums and their babies

2.8% of babies found to have developmental delays and referred for management

Oral abstract summarizing this operations research selected for best abstract in its category and to be shared during ICASA in December, 2019

Film documentation of the Young Mentor Mother program completed, focusing on a story from Buhera district



ADVOCACY and EVENTS



Auditions, rehearsals and recording with 17 young people from across Zimbabwe for 'This is Me' song

Deputy Chief of Mission at the US Embassy **Harare Thomas R Hastings** visited Africaid supported sites in Mazowe

Loyce Maturu featured in the **Globe Mail,** one of Canada's biggest newspaper, speaking on the Global Fund Replenishment

Presentation by Zvandiri Mentor, Phyllis in **USAID's** Webinar: Peer-centered approaches for Improving ART adherence and retention among children, adolescents, and youth living with HIV

Presentation in **WHO** and **AIDS** Free Webinar on 'Building Bridges – Improving Adolescent HIV Service Delivery Through South to South Learning.

10 new youth advocates selected from across Zimbabwe were trained and mentored by Africaid Advocates.

4 young people represented Africaid at the **SPARK19** Conference in Lesotho which seeks to empower young people by equipping them with skills to communicate, inspire and enact change

Global Fund Advocates Network speaker **Loyce Maturu** wrote a letter of support for the Global Fund Replenishment which was published on the Aidspan website

MEDIA, IEC materials and TECHNOLOGY

MoHCC approval for the newly developed app for CATS- The Hub



942 requests for information and support were received on the U-report dashboard. Cases were responded to by 6 trained U-report CATS and supervised by a U-report intern.

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13 episodes of the Zvandiri radio show were broadcasted on ZiFM and they were aired again on Hevoi FM and Midlands 98.4 FM.

4 episodes were streamed live, with 12,207 views and 3,857 unique visitors. Zvandiri Radio show completed with 40 episodes with 22 streamed live on Facebook. Radio broadcasts were heard by 116,017 listeners and 20,980 were unique visitors

MoHCC approve and sign off on all revised and new IEC materials

Snakes and Ladders

Masas'

Zvangu

Fact sheets

Mapping my story

Red Ribbons and Roses book

Caregivers book

Our Story book

Support group curriculum

Young Mentor Mothers training curriculum

Disability project evaluation

Zvandiri Trial policy brief

RESEARCH



Zvandiri Trial results disseminated at community level in **Bindura** and **Shamva**.

- Zvandiri Trial results shared during the AIDSImpact conference held in the United Kingdom in July.
- Zvandiri Trial and Young Mentor Mothers study presented at a UNICEF Brown Bag Session
- Zvandiri Trial policy brief developed and shared with MoHCC, WHO, Global Fund, Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation
- Mental Health Study Protocol submitted for publication

Over **25,100** contacts have been entered by **650 CATS** and 40 Zvandiri Mentors utilizing ZVAMODA to document real time case management of **4,953** clients across **51 districts**

SHM's RocketChat mobile-phone peer-to-peer support group for CATS was introduced.



Design and pre-test carried out with 19 CATS in Harare and Buhera,

RocketChat to be piloted in 4 districts by **60 CATS** between October and December 2019

Beyond Zimbabwe



UGANDA

- Adaptation of CATS model completed in April, 2019 208 YAP trained and attached to facilities in 10
- Africaid, MOH Uganda conducted mentorship in September 2019

TANZANIA

- Level two CATS training conducted in August 66 CATS were trained.
- Six IPs were mentored on how to support the CATS and **HCPs in August**
- Government delegation proposed visit to Zimbabwe in late 2019
- implementation of the CATS model
- 59 active CATS and 23 inactive CATS reached with
- 3604 CAYPLHIV reached by CATS.

MALAWI

• MOH interested in adopting the model, communication underway with One Community (OC).

MOZAMBIQUE

• Three IPs received supportive supervision regarding CATS Care and the CATS model in September CATS level two training scheduled for October.

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NIGERIA

- Institute of Human Virology Nigeria (IHVN) and MOH site visit to Zimbabwe and Africaid in September 2019
- **Prepared MoU**
- Plans for scale up

GHANA

- Acquired Global Fund support to develop CATS and Young Mentor Mothers program
- Site visit to Zimbabwe and Africaid planned for October, 2019

CAMEROON

• Sharing of Zvandiri at the MOH-WHO paediatric and adolescent TWG meeting.

DRC

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NAMIBIA

- MoA signed between MOH Namibia and Africaid
- Baseline assessment and orientation to the model proposed for October 2019

ZAMBIA

- Sharing of Zvandiri model at the MOH-WHO paediatric and adolescent TWG meeting in November 2018
- Zambia Centre for Communication Programmes, funded by USAID, interested in learning about the Zvandiri model

ESWATINI

- 24 CATS were trained on level two in September.
- Three IPs received supportive supervision regarding CATS Care and the CATS model in September
- Y+ focal point was trained on mentorship for
- WHO and MOH meeting with Africaid Frontline and CANGO to consider scale up of the model
- 1242 CAYPLHIV supported by CATS.

RWANDA

- MoU signed with Dream Village & Rwanda Biomedical Center for the adoption of the Zvandiri Model.
- 20 CATS trained, attached and supported in 10 health facilities in Kigali
- E-Mentorship delivered on a monthly basis
- On the ground mentorship and Support Group Leader training planned for October 2019



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