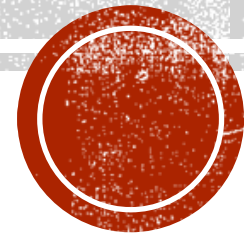


ZIMBABWE INTERVENTIONS

GF Writing Process

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THE NITTY GRITTIES - SHOOTING

- Zimbabwe Community of people who use and inject drugs got support from INPUD and GF CRG funding to undertake the pre – consultation processes and in the writing processes. The process started on the 13th of February 2023 with ensuing programs coming up until now.
- A total of 50 people who use and inject drugs were funded from Zimbabwe`s 10 Provinces for the pre consultation and writing process.
- Enabling factors in this process was the funding provided through INPUD, two consultants for the whole process and a 24/7 monitoring of the process through INPUD. The process started through Judy and roped in Olga, Tina and lastly Kim 😊.
- As a community, we managed to have all the documents for the country and the consultants, Ancella and Robin assisted in interpreting them.
- The process was challenging because of different interests within the CSOs and some bureaucrats. Stigma and discrimination is still very much alive in the processes. Out of USD433 million available for HIV programming in Zim, community got USD500000 for three years.
- We managed to overcome some of the challenges through working as a team and having data and facts pertaining our community. In most cases, we could reach out to the international team for advice on the way forward



KEY RECOMMENDATIONS

- GF processes characterized by discrimination especially among PWUID, is it not possible to have ring fenced fund for priority populations?
- There is need for more capacity building for communities. This should be an ongoing process.
- Need for continuous assessment for people who use and inject drugs and the creation of repositories for data on the same across the world.
- Need for exchange programs across communities in different regions.
- Communities should fight fear in the midst of adversity. Cabals are created to block PWUID from spaces especially in civil society spaces in the guise of national interest.

