PEPFAR

U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

FACT SHEET

Accelerating Children's HIV/AIDS Treatment (ACT) Results

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Saving the lives of children with HIV is not only the right thing to do; it's the smart thing.

The Challenge

- In 2015, 1.8 million children were living with HIV/AIDS and only half had access to ART. Without treatment, 80 percent will die before their fifth birthday.

ACT's Impact

- PEPFAR now supports nearly 1.1 million children (0-19 years old) on ART globally – a 97% increase since 2014.
- PEPFAR and the Children's Investment Fund Foundation jointly lead the $200 million **Accelerating Children's HIV/AIDS Treatment (ACT)** initiative, a public-private partnership that has enabled 557,000 children to receive ART in the nine ACT high-priority countries in sub-Saharan Africa.
- While pediatric ART coverage increased globally only from 43% in 2014 to 49% in 2015, coverage increased by 10% or more from 2014-2015 in most of the ACT countries (Kenya, Lesotho, Malawi, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe) with Zimbabwe reaching 80% pediatric ART coverage.
- No child should die of AIDS. That is why PEPFAR is helping to lead the ***Start Free Stay Free AIDS Free*** Framework, which is accelerating progress toward this goal. Healthy children who can pursue their dreams will grow economies, create jobs, and strengthen their communities for decades to come.

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PEPFAR is the largest commitment by any nation to address a single disease in history. Including the President's FY 2017 Budget request to Congress, through PEPFAR, the American people will invest over $70 billion from FY 2004-FY 2017 to fight HIV/AIDS globally, saving and improving millions of lives and accelerating progress toward achieving an AIDS-free generation.