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HIV-FREE FOR WEST AND SOUTH WEST REGIONS

CHP-QUATERLY ACTIVITIES REPORT

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Summary Community component activities report for the quarter January to March 2022 in the WEST and South-West Regions

Planned activities:

First of all, it is important to note that new projects orientations have been done: from now, Care and Health Program will cover not only West region health districts, but also **South-West region** health districts (**Kumba North, Kumba South and Muyuka**). In addition, the intervention health districts in the West region have been reduced (from 14 to 8) meaning: **Bafang, Bandjoun, Bangangte, Bangourain, Dschang, Malantouen, Mbouda, Mifi** as remaining implementing health districts. Therefore, the goals for the new year (FY 22) of implementation of the project have once more been revised: it will now be a question of initiating monthly on ART seventy-five (**75**) **new cases** tested positive at HIV for each region (and no more 200 new cases), and monthly mobilization / referral of **300 pregnant women in ANC1** (and no more 400 PW in ANC1) from the community to clinical services, **exclusively in the South-West region**.

Then, since mid-January 2022 Care and Health Program went through some meetings and workshop with the PR CBCHB and other health stakeholders, in order to collect background information from the South West' health areas in preparation for the training of community health workers (CHW).

Therefore, from February 3rd to 4th, 2022, a total of **54 CHWs** has been trained: 18 in Kumba North Health District, 21 in Kumba South Health District, and 15 in Muyuka Health District, as shown in the Annexes tables.

Therefore, the activities are newly defined as follows:

- 1- Mobilize the community for referrals and HIV testing with focus on men women, youths, Key populations, and receive HIV services within the year.
- 2- Promote HIV screening in unauthorized health facilities (network sites), support the linkage of the clients identified from the community and all pre-ART clients from network sites for effective ART initiation (450 per quarter: 225 from West region and 225 from South West region) to the care centers.
- 3- Follow-up to achieve 100% ART initiation for all those linked to the care centers.
- 4- Mobilize the community for referrals and HIV testing with focus on pregnant women (PW) to attend first antenatal care (ANC 1) and receive HIV services within the year (900 PW per quarter, exclusively in the South West region)).
- 5- Ensure the monthly supervision activities about checking and validation of data collected during the month in the various project implementing sites.
- 6- Support the organization and the running of quarterly coordinating meetings within the project implementing Health Districts.
- 7- Report updates on the bring back to care data per site per week and share best practices with team members.

Accomplishments:

1. Service delivery Area 1: Community mobilization, referrals, testing and linkage of positive cases to treatment.

A- Testing within Adults, Youths and Pregnant Women (PW).

With the collaboration of CHWs, CHP team supported the referral of at-risk adults, teens, KP and PW from the community to care centers for testing, and the linkage of those who were HIV positive to C&T centers for ART initiation. During this quarter, 3,078 clients (2,713 from West communities and 365 from South-West communities) were referred to treatment sites for HIV testing with one hundred and twenty (120) persons who were HIV positive tested and linked to care centers (108 from West Health Districts and 12 from South-West Health Districts), and all of them were initiated on ART (120 cases from men adult's referrals, 00 cases from PW in ANC1). **Prevalence rate: 03,90% globally (with 03,98% in the West region and 03,29% in the South West region)**

B- Treatment New

Several un-authorized but privately run health clinics in the west and south-west regions provide health services to clients and do not report the data to HD because of their unauthorized status. These facilities serve women, children and adults alike. During this quarter, CHP team continued to assist these sites to actively link any clients who were tested HIV positive to the nearest ART care center for ART initiation. At the end of the month, no case was positive tested and initiated to ART through the networking strategy. Up to now, none case from Pre-ART has been reported. This leads to a quarterly total of **120 treatment new cases** initiated on ART: **108 treatment new cases** initiated in the West region (108 cases from the community by identification, active referral and testing strategy, and 00 case from networking strategy), and **12 treatment new cases** initiated in the South-West region (12 cases from the community by identification, active referral and testing strategy, and 00 case from networking strategy).

Targets:

- 1- Promote HIV screening in unauthorized health facilities, identify and link 450 HIV+ clients for effective ART initiation: 120 effective ART initiations during the quarter.
- 2- Follow-up to achieve 100% ART initiation for all those linked: All identified cases were linked and initiated on ART (100%).

Performance Indicators

- 120 HIV positive identified from informal facilities and testing strategy and linked to treatment center (26,67%), for 450 cases as global quarter goal.
- 120 HIV positives started on ART during the month (100%).

2. Service delivery Area 2: Support the referral to ANC1 of the pregnant women identified within the South-West region communities (900 PW per quarter).

During this quarter, CHP teams worked to identify and refers pregnant women to interventions ANC clinics for ANC1. This mince active **search and linkage of pregnant women in remote community who have not stared ANC by about six months of pregnancy to ANC1 services.** At the end, **51 PWs** were referred this quarter from Kumba North, Kumba South and Muyuka Health Districts (with 51 from the community by identification and active referral strategy, 00 by Women from Association members, 00 from ANC1 campaigns within the community and 00 by networking strategy) for **ANC1**. All those PW were tested with none HIV positive case.

3. Service delivery Area: ensure the supervision for monthly data checking and validation.

With the collaboration of various District teams and the CBCHB site staffs, CHP team organized the data validation/supervision to check and validate all the community data collected among the various implementing sites during this period.

It should also be noted that supervision was done during the month of march in the implementing districts in the south-west, we were able during this supervision to bring solution to the various challenges of the fields staff, we also meet with the humanitarian NGOs of the region in order to establish a collaboration with them.

Summary of West region indicators for January to March 2022:

INDICATORS	TOTAL TARGET (Quarter)	Jan results	Feb results	March Results	Total result	%	Progress made	
Service delivery Area 1: Testing and linkage of positive cases to treatment								
1	Promote HIV screening in unauthorized health facilities, identify and link HIV+ clients for effective ART initiation (225 per quarter).	225	36	39	33	108	48%	108 new HIV+ cases linked to care centers: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 00 from Networking - 108 from Men testing - 00 from Adolescent's testing - 00 from KP
2	Follow-up to achieve 100% ART initiation for all those linked.	108	36	39	33	108	100%	All positive cases tested were linked and ART initiated
Service deliver Area 2: Insure the supervision for monthly data checking and validation								
3	Organize the checking and validation of the data collected this quarter among the implementing sites		19	19	19	19	100%	All the intervention sites were supervised and data were validated and collected.

Summary of South-West region indicators for January to March 2022:

	INDICATORS	TOTAL TARGET (Quarter)	Jan results	February Results	March results	Total	%	Progress made
Service delivery Area 1: Testing and linkage of positive cases to treatment								
1	Promote HIV screening in unauthorized health facilities, identify and link HIV+ clients for effective ART initiation (225 per quarter).	225	-	07	05	12	05%	12 new HIV+ cases linked to care centers: - 00 from Networking - 12 from Men testing - 00 from Adolescent's testing - 00 from KP - 00 from PW in ANC1 testing.
2	Follow-up to achieve 100% ART initiation for all those linked.	12	-	07	05	12	100%	All positive cases tested were linked and ART initiated
Service delivery Area 2: Support the referral to ANC1 of the Pregnant women identified within the community.								
3	Mobilize the community for referrals and HIV testing with focus on pregnant women (PW) to attend first antenatal care (ANC 1) and receive HIV services within the year (900 cases per quarter).	900	-	14	37	51	06%	51 PW referred in ANC1 this month: *51 PW referred from community by community Agents, *00 by Women from Associations, *00 from campaigns *and 00 by Networking strategy to ANC1. With none positive case tested.
Service deliver Area 3: Insure the supervision for monthly data checking and validation								
4	Organize the checking and validation of the data collected this period among the implementing sites	07	07	07	07	07	100%	All the intervention sites were supervised and data were validated and collected.

ANNEXES:

Table I: Distribution of treatment new per strategy, January to March 2022.

Synthesis : Treatment New January to March 2022		
	West	South-West
Total Networking strategy	00	00
Men adult referral & testing strategy	108	12
PW referral & testing strategy	-	00
Teens and Youths referral & testing strategy	00	00
KP referral & testing strategy	00	00
Pre-ART strategy	00	00
Total Treatment per region	108	12
Total Treatment New during January to March 2022	120	

Table II: Distribution of PW in ANC1, South-West region, January to March 2022.

Synthesis : PW in ANC1 January to March 2022				
	Referral Treatment Center	PW in ANC1 cases from small Health Facilities	Small Health Facilities	Total PW in ANC1 cases referred by the Networking strategy
KUMBA NORTH Health District				0
KUMBA SOUTH Health District				0
MUYUKA Health District				0
	Total Networking strategy	00		

PW referral & testing strategy	51
Women from Associations Referral	0
Women Campaigns Strategy	0
Total PW in ANC1 during January to March 2022	51

Table III: West region Synthesis for January to March 2022

SN DISTRICT FACILITY			Period: January 1st to March 31st 2022								
			TESTING				ANC1				TREATMENT New
			# referred and tested	# positives cases from testing	# Net-Working positive cases	# positive cases initiated on ART	# PW received from community in ANC clinics for ANC1	# PW tested for HIV	# PW HIV+	# PW HIV+ initiated on ART	# Total of HIV+ cases initiated on ART
1	Bafang	HD Bafang	40	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	
2	Bafang	Hôpital Ad lucem Banka-Bafang	450	18	0	18	0	0	0	18	
3	Bandjoun	Hopital de District de Bandjoun	145	6	0	6	0	0	0	6	
4	Bangangte	Hôpital de District de Bangangte	200	8	0	8	0	0	0	8	
5	Bangangte	Hôpital EEC Bangoua	50	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	
6	Bangourain	HD Bangourain	400	16	0	16	0	0	0	16	
7	Dschang	HD Dschang	431	17	0	17	0	0	0	17	
8	Dschang	Hopital St Vincent de Paul	25	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	
9	Malantouen	CMA Magba	80	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	
10	Malantouen	HD Malantouen	217	8	0	8	0	0	0	8	
11	Mbouda	HD Mbouda	75	3	0	3	0	0	0	3	
12	Mbouda	AD Lucem Mbouda	125	5	0	5	0	0	0	5	
13	Mifi	ACHA Annexe TAMDJJA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
14	Mifi	CBC Bamendzi	150	6	0	6	0	0	0	6	
15	Mifi	CMA Djeleng	50	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	
16	Mifi	CMA Lafe-Baleng	25	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	
17	Mifi	HD MIFI (FAMLA)	25	1	0	1	0	0	0	1	
18	Mifi	HR Bafoussam	175	7	0	7	0	0	0	7	
19	Mifi	Hôpital de La Police Bafoussam	50	2	0	2	0	0	0	2	
		TOTAL	2713	108	0	108	0	0	0	108	
		Target	2813				0			225	
		Taux	96%							48%	

Table IV: South-West region Synthesis for January to March 2022

Period: January 1st to March 31st 2022

SN	DISTRICT	FACILITY	TESTING				ANC1				TREATMENT New
			# referred and tested	# positives cases from testing	# Net-Working positive cases	# positive cases initiated on ART	# PW received from community in ANC clinics for ANC1	# PW tested for HIV	# PW HIV+	# PW HIV+ initiated on ART	# Total of HIV+ cases initiated on ART
1	Kumba	CMA Ntam	60	3	0	3	6	6	0	0	3
2	Kumba	Catholic Health Center Fiango	25	1	0	1	1	1	0	0	1
3	Kumba	Kumba Baptist Health Center	22	1	0	1	12	12	0	0	1
4	Kumba	Kumba District Hospital	25	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
5	Kumba	Kumba Presbyterian Hospital	53	2	0	2	6	6	0	0	2
6	Kumba	Kumba Urban CMA	0	0	0	0	16	16	0	0	0
7	Muyuka	Muyuka District Hospital	180	4	0	4	10	10	0	0	4
Total			365	12	0	12	51	51	0	0	12
Target			1875				900				225
Taux			19%				6%				5%

Table V: Kumba North District' Community Health Workers

SN	NAME	HEALTH AREA	PHONE NUMBER
1	GHANGHA GOD LOVE	PULLETIN	654788881
2	SELUKE ESSABELLA	PULLETIN	676732513
3	NEOLA LABU	PULLETIN	679220035
4	SAKWE JOHN	DIKOME BALUE	657191866
5	NASEMO CAROLINE	DIKOME BALUE	674643260
6	BWENA MONICA	DIKOME BALUE	680236277
7	OKOLE VIOLET	MASSAKA	676520590
8	NANJE DENIS	MASSAKA	680299716
9	ETONGWE PAULINE	MASSAKA	680464524
10	MERCY ISOKWE ELELI	BIG NGBANDI	
11	SAKWE SOLANGE ULE	BIG NGBANDI	653584701
12	MBONGO RAYMOND NGBANDI	BIG NGBANDI	681955040
13	DIANGE EMILIA	BIG BEKONDO	675854188
14	SAKWE JACOBINE	BIG BEKONDO	679366190
15	SAKWE SOLOMON	BIG BEKONDO	673300015
16	NANGO SOPHIE	KUMBA TOWN	677002903
17	BESENDE SUSAN	KUMBA TOWN	674153113
18	NGOE RACHEL	KUMBA TOWN	670194531

Table VI: Kumba South District' Community Health Workers

SN	NAME	HEALTH AREA	PHONE NUMBER
1	MICHAEL BISONG	KUMBA MBENG	677649441
2	NTUNGFOR MONICA	KUMBA MBENG	671065265
3	ASONG QUEENTA	KUMBA MBENG	677474000
4	ATEMBE JULIUS	EKOMBE BONJI	670686799
5	NDEMBO CHARLES	EKOMBE BONJI	677232027
6	ABWA LAWSON	EKOMBE BONJI	675356695
7	AGBOR NKENG ETA	KUMBA STATION	678888891
8	MUA STELLA BIH	KUMBA STATION	679714108
9	EBONG OSUNGU MARIANA	KUMBA STATION	671103248
10	ESTHER MUSONG	NTAM	672501758
11	FORSO ANDREAS	NTAM	677442443
12	TIKU MOJOH ESTHER	NTAM	676951136
13	NDANJI JOHANNES	FIANGO	677463756
14	FORSAMP JOHN	FIANGO	677356244
15	MOFOR ERNESTINE	FIANGO	679427079
16	NGOMUFU DENIS	MUKONJE	677652292
17	NSONG ANDREW	MUKONJE	677528705
18	MBAH SYLVIAN	MUKONJE	674230149
19	ECHOASEI EMMACULATE	BANGA BAKUNDU	673122707
20	ATIA SHANGCELLINE	BANGA BAKUNDU	673523953
21	TENG EMILIENCE	BANGA BAKUNDU	672761926

Table V: Muyuka District' Community Health Workers

SN	NAME	Health Areas	Phone number
1	BALEMBA MICHEAL	Bafia	675041531
2	SEREH MARTHA	Bafia	654191741
3	MEKUMBA REUBEN	Bafia	675079052
4	AJEMBANG EMMANUEL	EKONA	650334829
5	IKAICHEK CARINE	EKONA	669572876
6	NKUM HOSTENCIA	EKONA	668766501
7	NCHINDA OUMAROU	MALENDE	673067785
8	FRI FLORENCE	MALENDE	669078426
9	EYANDONG GLADYS	MALENDE	681301374
10	NKUH HELEN	MEANJA	681111652
11	SACHE OPHILIA	MEANJA	653563801
12	ENJOH YVETTE	MEANJA	674401146
13	NDUFONG BRIDGET	MUYUKA	679707487
14	EKIACHIA SOPHIE	MUYUKA	677648443
15	MARIEMA SAINI	MUYUKA	678263099

I- SUCCES STORIES

- Good collaboration with health authorities (CBCHB, RTG, PHRD).
- Close collaboration between community team and HD Team.
- Data validation by joint team (Field staff, HD representative, CBCHB site lead)

II- KEY CHALLENGES

- Late effective start of activities implementing in both regions during this quarter (mid-January 2022 for the West and February 2022 for the South-West)
- Poor rate of Treatment New cases registered and initiated on ART.
- We were confronted, once more, to a period of HIV test kits shortage.
- Progressive integration of our Field Staffs in the South-West new implementing sites
- Low coverage of implementing health areas with the rebel's threats in some project areas (South-West districts).

III- SOLUTIONS PROVIDED TO ADDRESS CHALLENGES

- “Non-medical testing” implemented by CHP field staff themselves and their trained community health workers, in order to increase HIV positive new cases registered and initiated to treatment.
- Make systematically the contact tracing for the HIV+ cases tested.
- Work with the RTG and the Districts in order to request assistance for the supply of inputs/kits
- Follow up with the CHWs who have been trained in the South-West region to encourage them to work harder and thus improve the results for the supply of small health facilities and the areas coverage at all.

IV- RECOMMENDATIONS

- Partner with Médecins Sans Frontière's community health workers who have the ability to cover areas that are much more difficult to access.
- Clinical and community teams should continue to work closely in all aspects of the activity on the field.
- Encourage systematic Contact tracing of all the HIV positive cases tested.
- Improve the effective presence of Field Staff on implementing sites.
- Used all strategies developed to improve performance.