

A Community Guide to the Global Fund's Strategy 2017-2022



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For Anglophone Africa

WHAT IS THE GLOBAL FUND'S STRATEGY ALL ABOUT?

The Global Fund's strategy for the period 2017-2022 is called "Investing to End Epidemics". The strategy is a document which outlines the agenda for the six year period. It is based on an ambitious vision, mission, and four strategic objectives (each with several operational objectives) and supported by two strategic enablers.

VISION:

A world free of the burden of AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria with better health for all.

MISSION:

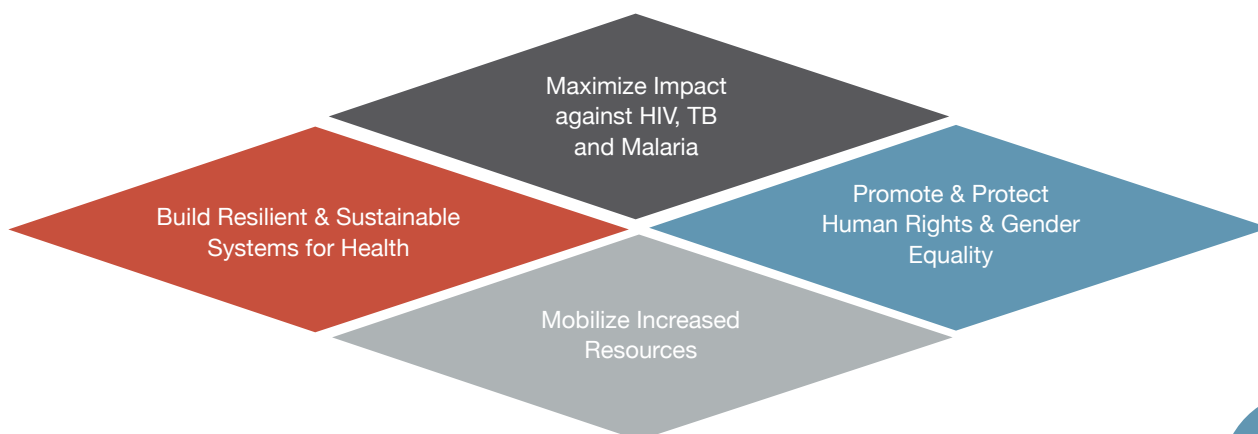
To attract, leverage and invest additional resources to end the epidemics of HIV, tuberculosis and malaria and to support attainment of the Sustainable Development Goals.

GOALS AND TARGETS:

The Global Fund's health impact goals and targets are explicitly linked to Partners' Global Plans (see BOX 1).

An Overview of the Global Fund's Strategy for 2017-2022

INVESTING TO END EPIDEMICS



Strategic Enablers

Innovative & Differentiate along the Development Continuum

Support Mutually Accountable Partnership



IMPORTANT FOR US!

The Global Fund's new Strategy for 2017-2022 places increased emphasis on strengthening health systems, and promoting human rights and gender equality.

BOX 1: WHAT IS THE GLOBAL FUND'S NEW STRATEGY TRYING TO ACHIEVE?

The Global Fund's impact goals and targets are explicitly linked to Partners' Global Plans.

Here are some of the targets that matter most for us:

HIV

- By 2020, fewer than 500 000 new HIV infections, fewer than 500 000 AIDS-related deaths and elimination of HIV-related discrimination
- By 2020, 90% of key populations - including sex workers, men who have sex with men, people who inject drugs, transgender people, prisoners and migrants - have access to HIV combination prevention services.
- By 2020, 90% of women and girls live free from gender inequality and gender-based violence to mitigate risk and impact of HIV.

TB

- By 2020, 20% and 35% decline in TB incidence rate and TB deaths respectively, compared with 2015
- By 2025, at least 90% of key populations reached

MALARIA

- By 2020, at least 40% reduction in malaria mortality rates and malaria case incidence, compared with 2015
- Elimination in at least 10 countries by 2020, and at least 20 countries by 2025.

LET'S UNPACK THE FOUR STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES SOME MORE!

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE #1: MAXIMIZE IMPACT AGAINST HIV, TB AND MALARIA



OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE IN STRATEGY	WHAT IT MEANS FOR US
Scale-up evidence-based interventions with a focus on the highest burden countries with the lowest economic capacity and on key and vulnerable populations disproportionately affected by the three diseases	This means that more resources will be channeled to poorer countries that are most affected by the three diseases, many of which are in Africa. It also means that priority will be given to programs which increase service coverage among groups such as sex workers, men who have sex with men, transgender people, people who use drugs, migrants, refugees, mine workers, prisoners, young women and girls, and other key and vulnerable populations.
Evolve the allocation model and processes for greater impact, including innovative approaches differentiated to country needs	This means that there will be more flexibility given to countries as they are applying for funding, allowing for the Global Fund to accommodate the specific and unique needs of you, your country and your context.
Support grant implementation success based on impact, effectiveness, risk analysis and value-for-money	This means we will have to make sure we do not waste any funds and that we document the impact of our programs and interventions very carefully, to ensure we are able to show results.
Improve effectiveness in challenging operating environments through innovation, increased flexibility and partnerships	This means that the Global Fund is committed to making sure funding for HIV, TB and malaria reaches people even in countries that currently experiences political conflicts, natural disasters or breakdowns in their health systems.
Support sustainable responses for epidemic control and successful transitions	This means that we need to be thinking about and planning around how sustainable Global Fund-supported programs are. What would happen if your country was no longer eligible for Global Fund money? Would programs continue? The Global Fund will provide support for us to start thinking about these issues.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE #2: BUILD RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE SYSTEMS FOR HEALTH



OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE IN STRATEGY	WHAT IT MEANS FOR US
Strengthen community responses and systems	This is very important for us! It means that the Global Fund is committed to supporting our work as civil society and community groups as a vital part of the overall health response.
Support reproductive, women's, children's, and adolescent health, and platforms for integrated service delivery	This means that our HIV, TB and malaria programs must also be integrating sexual and reproductive health and rights, especially for women and young people.
Strengthen global and in-country procurement and supply chain systems	Access to medicines and commodities is very important. We can play a role in procurement and supply by setting up community monitoring observatories to improve data collection and ensure more effective distribution.
Leverage critical investments in human resources for health	The people who deliver health services matter! This includes community health workers and other staff and volunteers who deliver services at community level.
Strengthen data systems for health and countries' capacities for analysis and use	We can contribute valuable and important data about health and access to services by doing community level research, monitoring and shadow reporting of government indicators.
Strengthen and align to robust national health strategies and national disease-specific strategic plans	The Global Fund wants to fund country priorities. This means we need to make sure our priorities as civil society and community groups are included in national plans!
Strengthen financial management and oversight	We have a role to play in ensuring correct management of Global Fund money. We can do budget monitoring and ensure we have access to information in national health accounts.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE #3: PROMOTE AND PROTECT HUMAN RIGHTS AND GENDER EQUALITY



OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE IN STRATEGY	WHAT IT MEANS FOR US
Scale-up programs to support women and girls, including programs to advance sexual and reproductive health and rights	This means that women and girls are central in the Global Fund strategy, particularly where they face disparate health risks, such as the high rates of new HIV infections among adolescent girls and young women in sub-Saharan Africa and the difficulties they face accessing services.
Invest to reduce health inequities including gender- and age-related disparities	This means programs should focus on addressing the gender and age related risks and barriers to services that result in negative health outcomes. This affects women, men, girls, boys and gender non-conforming communities, and differs depending on the context and disease.
Introduce and scale-up programs that remove human rights barriers to accessing HIV, TB and malaria services.	This means that we should be prioritizing programs which reduce stigma and discrimination, reform or repeal laws and policies which criminalize or marginalize certain groups, and ensure gender equality, informed consent and confidentiality.
Support meaningful engagement of key and vulnerable populations and networks in Global Fund-related process	This means that we must engage in the National Strategic Plan development processes as well as grant monitoring, data collection and implementation. The Global Fund and its partners will provide support for this. Do not hesitate to request technical assistance!
Integrate human rights considerations throughout the grant cycle and in policies and policy-making processes	This means that meaningful engagement with affected communities and without discrimination must be part of whole Global Fund grant process, from designing grants to their implementation, management, monitoring, and evaluation.

STRATEGIC OBJECTIVE #4: MOBILIZE INCREASED RESOURCES



OPERATIONAL OBJECTIVE IN STRATEGY	WHAT IT MEANS FOR US
Attract additional financial and programmatic resources for health from current and new public and private sources	This means we must work together to ensure the Global Fund is fully funded. For us, this means advocating with you governments, private sector and other partners to donate to the Global Fund.
Support countries to use existing resources more efficiently and to increase domestic resource mobilization	This means we need to hold our governments accountable for funding health with domestic budgets. We must use Global Fund money to leverage funds from our governments!
Implement and partner on market shaping efforts that increase access to affordable, quality-assured key medicines and technologies	There are laws and policies that can help us access cheaper medicines and commodities. This means we must take advantage of these opportunities! We must educate ourselves on things like Trade Related Intellectual Property Rights (TRIPS).
Support efforts to stimulate innovation and facilitate the rapid introduction and scale-up of cost-effective health technologies and implementation models	This means we need to continue pushing for new technologies to help us combat the three diseases. It also means we must advocate for our governments to move and implement new approaches once they are proven effective in trials and studies.

WHAT IS THE ROLE OF EANNASO AND THE REGIONAL PLATFORM IN THE GLOBAL FUND'S NEW STRATEGY?

- Strengthen Global Fund partnership model: Ensuring good governance, representation and oversight through Global Fund supported bodies such as the CCM, and providing technical assistance for varied aspects of the grant application and implementation process.
- Advocacy around issues for promoting human rights and gender equity, as well as country access to domestic health budgets.
- Capacity development through community system strengthening for civil society organizations, community groups, principal recipients, etc. and emphasizing the importance of sustainability planning and allocation of funds into health programs.
- Support meaningful participation of key and vulnerable populations and networks in Global Fund-related processes.
- Coordination with countries, civil society and community networks and other partners to ensure that grants from the Global Fund contribute to addressing the comprehensive needs of women, adolescents and children effectively and with quality, in a way that promotes and protects their human rights.



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