Young People leading the way: Service linkage, delivery and advocacy on the frontline

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Service linkage and delivery

Young people are leading the way as peer supporters – working with both clinics and in communities.
Engagement with health providers for service improvement...

- To understand the level of satisfaction of YPLHIV in service provision
- To support health facilities to provide service that meet YPLHIV needs
- To initiate a constant communication between YPLHIV and health providers
- To transform the health facilities in best places for YPLHIV

The scorecard

GLOBAL NETWORK OF YOUNG PEOPLE LIVING WITH HIV
The scorecard implementation overview...

Just over half of the clients (51%) said that providers listen to them without judgement, treat them with respect and don’t talk about them to others (55%). In addition, 56% of clients said providers always/mostly keep appointments brief and on time, and 62% said providers always/mostly make time to talk even when they’re busy.
How we use these information for advocacy: READY model

Country Lead Agencies

IPs

Community

Health Facilities

CATS

Focal point

Policy makers

Leadership - Accountability

Safe Spaces - Evidence communicated

YPLHIV Network
Can service providers and young people work together?

• A constant communication between health providers and young people is the best way to improve access to service.

• Some challenges are beyond the control of both health providers and young people, working hand in hand is a unique to address them.
These are the kinds of intrusive questions young people have been asked. Think about your answers, prepare your story, think about whether you are happy to share.

Decisions about sharing your HIV status are a personal matter. You have the right to choose if, when, to whom and how, to disclose your HIV status. You should never be pressured to disclose your status in order to be involved, nor should an organisation share your status without your permission.

Take time to figure out whether you want your HIV-status or identity to be commonly known in your community, what are the negative and positive consequences, and what support will be available to you?

“If you ever think you’re too small to be effective, you’ve never been in bed with a mosquito!”

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READY to Advocate: A guide for young people living with HIV
THANK YOU

TEAM WORK