

Consiliul național de coordonare a programelor naționale de profilaxie și control al infecției HIV/SIDA, infecțiilor cu transmitere sexuală și de control al tuberculozei

Country Coordinating Mechanism of the National Tuberculosis and National HIV/AIDS/STI Control Programs

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Subject: CCM TB/AIDS letter of support to Public Association Positive Initiative with its local partners (Hospital of Dermatology and Communicable Disease and Phthisiopneumology Institute "Chiril Draganiuc") as the partner of Charitable Organization "All-Ukrainian Network of PLWH" in its role as main applicant for 5% Initiative funding under the call for proposals "Access To Healthcare For Vulnerable Populations"

Dear Sir/Madame,

On behalf of CCM TB/AIDS Moldova members, I would like to express our content with the 5% Initiative to fund communicable disease control proposals in Global Fund (GF) recipient countries, including Moldova. Moldova is making constant efforts to control epidemics of communicable diseases, including TB, HIV, Hepatitis C, at the local level, and at the regional level via international partnerships. Nevertheless, the resource scarcity faced at present by our republic, alongside with the decreasing GF funding, make almost impossible to support Sustainable and Resilient Systems for Health activities at needed level to continue the implementation of the National Strategies for HIV and TB control.

By means of this letter, we would like to affirm the CCM support to Positive Initiative with its local partners (Hospital of Dermatology and Communicable Disease and Phthisiopneumology Institute "Chiril Draganiuc") as the partner of *Charitable Organization "All-Ukrainian Network of PLWH"* in its role as main applicant for 5% Initiative funding under the call for proposals "Access To Healthcare For Vulnerable Populations".

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The Proposal to be submitted by partners aims at improving access for children and adolescents in Ukraine and Moldova affected by HIV and tuberculosis through the entire treatment cascade in all its elements. The Positive Initiative will execute its part of program within the framework of a viable partnership developed with the Ministry of Health, Ministry of Labor, Social Protection and Family, Hospital of Dermatology and Communicable Disease (NAP Coordination Unit) and Phthisiopneumology Institute "Chiril Draganiuc" (NTP Coordination Unit) and other agencies and authorities at central and local levels from public, non-governmental and private sectors.

CCM Moldova asserts that Positive Initiative has needed capacities and resources to effectively implement its part of the 5% Program. Currently, Positive Initiative manages "Communities Systems Strengthening and Human Rights" component within GFATM HIV program in Moldova. The programmatic oversight ensured by the CCM also validates the administrative, financial, and operational management competences possessed by this organization. Positive Initiative has been an active member of CCM since 2011 and a well performing Sub - Recipient of GF grants since 2013.

We are confident that if the proposal is accepted by the 5% Initiative, the requested funding will be implemented in accordance with the set up objectives, thus ensuring sustainability of GF current grants and local funds committed to control HIV, TB and build resilient health systems in Moldova.

Sincerely,

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