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HIV CAMP FOR ADOLESCENT IN ARMENIA- 2022







Three days' HIV summer camp was organized in Armenia for 16 parents and 18 adolescent and children living with HIV.

The overall goal of the project was to improve the ARV adherence among adolescent and children living with HIV in Armenia, to empower, educate and strengthen them and their parents.

To organize the camp, the multidisciplinary team (social worker, psychologist peer-to peer consultant) involved in the “care and support” program of “Real World Real People” NGO started the mobilization of parents of adolescent and children living with HIV some months before the camp.

Team analyzed treatment adherence of children and adolescents involved in the program, discussed it with doctors and started to work with families to prepare their participation in the camp. With some children RWRP team started to work on HIV status disclosure or prepare to disclose it.





Taking into consideration that three different age groups (children, adolescents and parents) three different training modules have been developed taking into account the age characteristics and needs of each group.

Taking into account the age characteristics of the children, a theater scenario was developed due to a tale “History of Vitamin Fairies”


[http://rushiv.ru/istoriya-fei-vitaminki/.](http://rushiv.ru/istoriya-fei-vitaminki/)

The scenario was developed by a woman living with HIV, all the actors of the theater were the staff of the NGO. After the theater the psychologist had a small group discussion with children, how do they like the theater? What was the moral of the theater? Then art therapeutic work was done with children. The following topics were presented to adolescents: Human rights, right to health, HIV and AIDS, ARV treatment, PREP, PEP, Safe sexual intercourse, when to disclose HIV status, NGO, its role in HIV prevention and care programmes, advocacy, the role of young people in advocacy, HIV leadership in the world.

During the camp two self-help groups were organized for parents and adolescents.









Participants had a reliable relationship with the staff of RWRP and within the group. They had safe environment and could share the information, get assistance from the group. Participation in summer camp, sharing information and experience, gaining full information on, making self-assistance group had a good impact on treatment adherence.

At the end of the camp:

- *34 parents, children and adolescent living with HIV in Armenia were trained on HIV, ARV treatment, community mobilization, their rights and responsibilities*
 - *34 parents, children and adolescent living with HIV have full information on HIV, ARV treatment, community mobilization, their rights and responsibilities*
 - *Due to participants' feedback the camp was very useful and interesting.*
 - *Children and adolescents show willingness to participate in other camp in the next summer and help other children and parents.*
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COMBATING GBV TOWARDS WOMEN LIVING WITH HIV AND PWUDS






The overall goal of the project was to strengthen the capacity of support system working on GBV, sensitize to HIV and drug use issues, empower women living with HIV and PWUD to combat GBV violence through awareness raising, capacity and leadership building.

Within the framework of the project two booklets on types of GBV, domestic violence, protection mechanisms, support centers, information on PreP were developed, printed and shared among women living with HIV and women who used drugs.

A training module on types of GBV, domestic violence, protection mechanisms, human rights, information on PreP with the participation of experts working in the field was developed.

Two-days trainings were conducted for 58 women living with HIV and women who use drugs using the developed module.



Another training module was developed on HIV, drug use and on target groups' issues with the participation of experts working in the field.

Series of trainings for social workers, psychologists and the staff of shelters, support centers were conducted using the developed module. Within the framework of the project the organization collaborated with 5 social service providers. 109 staff participated in the trainings.







Ten videos on GBV, DV, protection mechanisms, types of violence, human rights, health to right, PreP were shoot. The links are as follows:


<ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://youtu.be/PB-u3Q_zsHU• https://youtu.be/YLefdzDITNw• https://youtu.be/cmQWHV9zjyI• https://youtu.be/qHv6qD0bJV8• https://youtu.be/eKBYIe-dLZs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• https://youtu.be/V6lzcUwsdY• https://youtu.be/xtQCwEpwJLg• https://youtu.be/N-wjQ2LWPfY• https://youtu.be/Tbow39YcrCY• https://youtu.be/unevVF3h-i8
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At the end of the project:

- *Two booklets on types of GBV, DV, support mechanisms, PreP, hot lines are developed*
- *500 copies from each booklet are printed*
- *58 women living with and PWUDs receive information on GBV, domestic violence, protection mechanisms, support centers, PreP, human rights, etc.*
- *A training module for women living with HIV and PWUDs on types of GBV, domestic violence, protection mechanisms, human rights, PreP is developed*
- *A training module on HIV, drug use and on target groups' issues was developed*
- *109 social workers, psychologists and the staff of shelters participated in the trainings*
- *10 videos on GBV, DV, PreP, protection mechanisms are shoot.*
- *10 life stories of women living with HIV and PWUDs who survive violence are collected.*

**ENSURE PARTICIPATION OF
WOMEN WITH HIV AND
VULNERABLE TO HIV IN ALL
DECISION-MAKING PROCESSES,
FOSTERING THE EXERCISE OF
THEIR RIGHTS THROUGH
EMPOWERMENT AND
LEADERSHIP BUILDING**





The overall goal of the project is to ensure participation of women with HIV and vulnerable to HIV in all decision-making processes, fostering the exercise of their rights through empowerment and leadership building.


Within the framework of the project RWRP NGO with civil society networks and coalitions prepared an alternative CEDAW reports. In its report RWRP presented key issues of the women living with HIV, women using drugs and women sex workers (target groups). To prepare the report RWRP had focus group discussions with the target groups.

RWRP submitted CEDAW alternative report in collaboration with “Coalition to stop violence against women in Armenia” and “Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights Network”.

The CEDAW committee in the seventh periodic report of Armenia had recommendations for women living with HIV and women who use drugs. Follow the link to see the recommendation:

<https://bit.ly/3HiIPWi>





Within the framework of 16 days of activism against gender-based violence and on the eve of World AIDS Day Alive (living) library was organized in three Regions of Armenia with the participation of two women living with HIV and a woman who use drugs.

Emphasizing the widespread dissemination of information about HIV and AIDS among general population, particularly among the youth, RWRP specialists first of all conducted training on HIV and AIDS, ways of transmission, treatment, PreP and PEP among participants of event, then the participants of the training participated in "Alive library" as alive books.

Two women living with HIV and a woman who use drugs participated in the event as “alive books” and shared their life stories.

Overall, 200 young people participated in Alive library in three cities of Armenia.








DECEMBER 1: CONFERENCE






On 1 December “Real World Real People” NGO in collaboration with the National Centre for Infectious Diseases (NCID) organized a conference entitled “World AIDS Day as a new opportunity to combine efforts” joining partners to mark World AIDS Day 2022, under the theme “Equalize”.

Lena Nanushyan, the deputy minister of Minister of Health, Rosa Babayan, UNAIDS country coordinator, Ambassador of Russia in Armenia S. Kopirkin, Stepan Atoyan, the director of NCID Zhenya Mayilyan, the chair of RWRP organization had opening speeches in the conference.

Lev Zohrabyan, the representative of the United Nations HIV/AIDS joined the conference online and presented the 2025-2030 United Nations HIV/AIDS programs the strategy.

RWRP representatives presented Community Led Monitoring tool, which was developed in 2022 within the framework of UNAIDS programmes.







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