

Amsterdam Statement on Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights for People Living with HIV

We as 65 representatives of global networks of people living with HIV assert our sexual and reproductive health and rights free from discrimination, criminalization, stigmatization and judgement.

Who we are:

As people living with HIV from diverse ethnic and cultural backgrounds we acknowledge the disparities of access and diversities of experiences among people living with HIV around the world. Representatives at the meeting included women, transgender people, young people, heterosexual men, gay men, lesbians, bisexual people, current or former people who inject drugs, faith-based people, people with disabilities, current or former sex workers, former prisoners and people in detention settings, migrants, refugees, internally displaced people, men who have sex with men, and Indigenous people .

Our sexual and reproductive health and rights:

- People living with HIV have the freedom of choice regarding consensual and pleasurable sexual expression;
- People living with HIV have the freedom of choice regarding reproduction, marriage and family planning;
- People living with HIV have the fundamental right to access sexual health information and comprehensive sexual health services¹.

Exercising our sexual and reproductive health rights:

- People living with HIV play a vital role in decision-making that affects our own sexual and reproductive health and rights and we underline the importance of implementing Greater Involvement of People living with HIV/AIDS (GIPA), Meaningful Involvement of People living with HIV/AIDS (MIPA) and Full

¹ Comprehensive sexual and reproductive health services include access to commodities including male and female condoms, water-based lubricants, gloves, antiretroviral therapy, sterile injection equipment, opioid substitution therapy, infertility treatment including assisted reproduction, semen washing, emergency contraception, sexual PEP, and support services after sexual assault regardless of gender, age, sexuality, cultural background, ethnicity, religion, income, educational level, environment, situation, and context.

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Involvement of People living with HIV/AIDS (FIPA) at all levels including the choice, design, implementation, monitoring, and evaluating of sexual and reproductive health services.

- Through responsibly asserting, ensuring, and experiencing our sexual and reproductive health and rights we are contributing towards reducing the impact of the HIV epidemic, public health and shared responsibility.
- To fulfill collective responsibility we call on international, regional, and local organizations, governments, funders, and civil society including service providers, NGOs, FBOs, and other stakeholders to acknowledge our sexual and reproductive health and rights and meaningfully involve us in developing, implementing, and integrating policies and services to support us in creating an enabling environment to exercise our rights.

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