

Guidelines Development Group

Biographies of proposed members Guidelines for HIV post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP)

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AZWA, Iskandar University of Malaya Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia

Dr Iskandar Azwa is an Associate Professor of Infectious Diseases at the University of Malaya, Kuala Lumpur and is the current President of the Malaysian AIDS Council.

He is the Clinical Lead for the HIV service in the Infectious Diseases Unit at the University of Malaya Medical Centre. His research interests include HIV Pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) implementation research among key populations, HIV resistance and evaluation of newer second line HIV treatment strategies. He is the site Principal Investigator (PI) for several international collaborative HIV clinical trials including the TAHOD, START and D2EFT studies which have shaped HIV guidelines locally and globally.

Much of his recent work has focused on increasing community access to HIV prevention biomedical interventions and implementation of differentiated service delivery models of HIV care & prevention. He is the site PI for several collaborative NIH funded m-health related projects aimed to increase HIV testing and PrEP uptake among Malaysian MSM and Transgender women. He is also supervising a PhD pharmacist candidate in the implementation of a pharmacist-based HIV PrEP service delivery model in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. He has been involved in the supervision and review of the recent 2022 update of the National PrEP and PEP guidelines.

DAS, Chinmoyee Ministry of Health and Family Welfare New Delhi, India

Dr Chinmoyee Das is a Public Health Specialist under the Central Health Services cadre of Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Government of India. Currently she is working under the National AIDS Control Organization of the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, and looking after key areas of Strategic Information including Information Technology and Care & Treatment divisions of the organization. She has rich experience in clinical and research areas, as well as public health experience in various National Health Programmes in India notably, Integrated Disease Surveillance Programme, National Programme for NonCommunicable Diseases and National AIDS & STD Control Programme.



DHAKAL, Manisha Blue Diamond Kathmandu, Nepal

Manisha Dhakal is currently the Executive Director of the Blue Diamond Society (BDS), Nepal's pioneer LGBTIQ rights organization & president of the Federation of Sexual and Gender Minorities of Nepal.

Regionally, Manisha is one of the founding members of the Asia-Pacific Transgender Network. She was one of the former Co-Chairs of the ILGA Asia Board. She is also a board member of IRGT (Innovative Response Globally for Transgender Women and HIV).

She was awarded the "Nai Ram Laxmi" in 2010 and the "Janasewa Shree 5th", national awards from Nepal for her contributions to the LGBTI movement. On 21 December 2007, the Supreme Court of Nepal issued a landmark verdict directing the government to enact laws enabling equal rights to LGBT citizens. Manisha was involved in court pleadings on this case on behalf of LGBTI people before the Supreme Court. She has been managing various projects and programs in the organisation and has contributed to research and studies at national and regional levels.

DIGOLO, Lina Prevention coalition Nairobi, Kenya

Dr Lina Digolo brings over 14 years of expertise as an epidemiologist and public health specialist, with a strong background in research, evaluation, policy development, and putting programs into action. Her passion is advocating for gender equality and addressing social injustices, especially those affecting women and children.

Dr Digolo is also keen on connecting research findings with real-world solutions. Throughout her career, she has focused on using evidence to strengthen HIV and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) policies and health systems in sub-Saharan governments. Her contributions have been crucial in creating and implementing various policy documents and guidelines, including ones related to increasing the adoption of Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis (PREP).



FAN, LV

National Center for AIDS/STD Control and Prevention Beijing, China

Dr Lv Fan is the deputy Director and Professor, National Center for AIDS/STD Control and Prevention, China Center for Disease Control and Prevention. He is the member of Standard Committee of Communicable Diseases, National Health Committee, and the member of strategy committee of Global Fund 2016-2018.

Dr Lv has conducted a series of study on HIV epidemic situation, social determinant influencing HIV transmission, and evidence-based policy making for HIV control and prevention since 2002. Based on case reporting and sentinel surveillance system, as team leader, Dr Lv and his team developed China's HIV/AIDS Behavioural Surveillance System, following WHO/UNAIDS approach, in 2004.

He introduced new models to estimate China HIV/AIDS epidemic situation in 2003. As a working group leader, Dr Lv was involved in China's HIV/AIDS epidemic estimation in 2005 and 2018, with the guidance from Ministry of Health of China and technical support from UNAIDS/WHO.

He was a consultant for the External Review Group for Consolidating HIV Strategic Information for the Health Sector Response to HIV.

Since 2019, Dr LV has been involved in developing technical guidelines for promoting HIV testing, conducted pilot work and research projects related to PrEP and PEP.

FOX, Julie King's College London, United Kingdom

Julie Fox is a Professor of HIV and Sexual Heath at Kings College London, United Kingdom. She leads phase 1 to 4 HIV prevention trials globally, involving Pre-Exposure Prophylaxis, Post Exposure Prophylaxis and prevention vaccinations. Currently programmes she's involved in include PREPVACC (oral PrEP and HIV vaccination) and MOBILE MEN (oral PrEP and CAB-LA).



GREEN, Kimberly PATH

Hanoi, Viet Nam

Kimberly Green, PhD, leads PATH's Primary Health Care program, which includes teams focusing on health systems and health areas across the life cycle, including HIV, tuberculosis, and viral hepatitis. Dr Green has nearly than 30 years of experience in public health management, policy development, and research. She deeply believes in the power of primary health care to improve health access and equity and is specifically interested in health service delivery innovations, the role of community and lay providers in delivering health care, self-care and digital health and private-public sector partnerships.

Dr Green is a clinical associate professor in the University of Washington's Department of Global Health and deputy editor for the Journal of the International AIDS Society. She also serves on a number of World Health Organization and other scientific guidelines and advisory committees. She holds a master's degree in international health and development from The George Washington University in Washington, DC, and a PhD from the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

GRINSZTEJN, Beatriz

ImPrEP

Rio de Janeiro, Brazil

Dr Beatriz Grinsztejn is an Infectious Diseases physician-scientist dedicated to HIV prevention and care for over 30 years. She is the Director of the Oswaldo Cruz Foundation (FIOCRUZ) STI/AIDS Prevention and Therapeutic Clinical Trials Unit, which develops and implements prevention and therapeutic clinical trials and cohort studies. The unit is affiliated to the HIV Prevention Trials Network (HPTN), the Advancing Clinical Therapeutics Globally for HIV/AIDS and Other Infections (ACTG), the HIV Vaccine Trials Group (HVTN), the COVID-19 Prevention Network (CoVPN), and the ANRS.

Dr Grinsztejn is the Brazilian PI for the Caribbean, Central and South America Network for HIV epidemiology - CCASAnet (a Regional Member of the International Epidemiologic Databases to Evaluate AIDS - IeDEA), for the NCI-funded US-Latin American-Caribbean HIV/HPV-Cancer Prevention Clinical Trials Network (ULACNet), and for the NICHD-funded PATC3H Network (Prevention and Treatment through a Comprehensive Care Continuum for HIV-affected Adolescents in Resource Constrained Settings). She is the Co-Chair of the HPTN 083 Study, which compared injectable cabotegravir to daily oral TDF/FTC for HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis in cisgender men and transgender women who have sex with men. She is the Chair of the ImPrEP CAB-LA implementation study, which will evaluate the implementation of CAB-LA among 1200 MSM and other sexual and gender minorities in Brazil.



For several years, she received the Career Development Award by the Brazilian National Research Council (2006, 2009, 2013, 2016, 2019, 2022) and the Rio de Janeiro State Scientist award by the Carlos Chagas Filho Foundation for Research Support of the State of Rio de Janeiro - FAPERJ (2007, 2009, 2012, 2015, 2018, 2021). She also received the HPTN Ward Cates Spirit Award in 2021 and the ACTG James Hakim Award in 2022. In this year, she was awarded to present the N'Gail-Mann Lecture at CROI. She is the current International AIDS Society (IAS) President-elect.

HANATLEH, Abdallah

Sawaed

Amman, Jordan

Abdallah Hanatleh is an advocate for community well-being from Amman, Jordan. With an unwavering commitment to public health, he has had diverse roles showcasing expertise, leadership, and communication skills.

Hanatleh has a Bachelor's degree from Al Jazeera Hokmyeh, Sudan (2002) and a Diploma from the Assistant Medical Professions Institute (1988).

Since 2017, as an advisor at the International Organization for Migration (IOM), Hanatleh offers guidance to implementing organizations on national HIV prevention projects, including technical support.

Since 2016, he has been the Executive Director at the Forearms of Change Center. He contributes to community awareness as a trainer at the King Abdullah II Fund for Development (KAFD), the Royal Health Awareness Society (RAHAS) and the Arab Society for Public Awareness from Dangerous Drugs.

Hanatleh's passion for public awareness is evident in his role as a Trainer at the Arab Society for Public Awareness from Dangerous Drugs, dedicated to educating communities and youth about drug abuse. He also conducts training sessions on HIV and STIs.

Hanatleh is involved in organizations like the Jordanian Writers Society and as a board member at RANA and is committed to advancing public discourse.

Abdallah Hanatleh works to promote and support healthier, informed, and empowered communities. His contributions extend to biobehavioral studies, including IBBS and CAP.



KAPP, Nathalie

The International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) Boston MA, USA

Nathalie Kapp is an Obstetrician Gynecologist and fellowship trained in Complex Family Planning from Dartmouth Medical Center and Boston University, who is currently the Chief Medical Advisor for IPPF. She has a unique perspective in the field of reproductive health after serving for 7 years as a Medical Officer at the World Health Organization where she contributed to the guidelines for contraceptive use and abortion care, to conducting research on emergency contraception at HRA Pharma, and most recently, as the Medical Director for Ipas where she was investigating the safe use of medical abortion in over-the-counter-like settings, and decreasing barriers to provision and availability of abortion beyond 13 weeks gestation. She has over 70 peer-reviewed publications of her research.

KIM, Jules

Global Coordinator of NSWP- the Global Network of Sex Work Projects Sydney, Australia

Jules Kim is a Korean/Australian sex worker and the Global Coordinator of NSWP- the Global Network of Sex Work Projects. She has 30 years' experience in sex worker advocacy and representation and has been integrally involved in the recent sex worker led campaigns to achieve the decriminalisation of sex work in Northern Territory and Victoria in Australia and sex work specific protections in anti-discrimination legislation in the Northern Territory. Jules has represented sex workers on numerous international and Australian national committees and advisory mechanisms such as the Ministerial Advisory Committee on Blood Borne Viruses and Sexually Transmissible Infections (MACBBVSTI), the Australian Government's key advisory body on the national response and management of BBV and STI and is the current co-chair of the UNAIDS Reference Group on HIV and Human Rights. She has provided expert testimony in parliamentary inquiries and hearings in relation to sex work, online safety, consent and trafficking.



MAINGIRE, Kudzai Precious Independent researcher and youth health advocate Seke district, Zimbabwe

Kudzai Precious Maingire is passionate about health and health research. She envisions future generations that make informed health choices and have control over their own health. She values teamwork and strong work ethics. Her passion for public health led her to pursue tertiary studies in health promotion at the University of Zimbabwe and she is now a holder of a first-class degree in Health Education and Health Promotion.

Her dissertation was on assessing health literacy of rural young women on contraceptive use in Seke district. She was trained as a young researcher by the Biomedical Research and Training Institute (BRTI) in 2019 and is proud to have made a presentation on behalf of young researchers in Africa at the Union for African Population Studies Conference held in Uganda in 2019.

She is an advocate for women's sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR). She attended a workshop held by Zimbabwe Lawyers for Human Rights through Youth Advocates on SRHR in 2019 and disseminated information resulting from that workshop through informal discussions with peers and online discussions. Currently, she is working as a volunteer health promotion officer under the Ministry of Health and Child Care (MOHCC) in Seke district, Zimbabwe. She conducts advocacy meetings with staff, stakeholders, community opinion leaders and partners to gaining support, mobilization of resources and utilization of health services for disease prevention and control. She is skilled in conducting operational research for problem prioritization through carrying out routine social and epidemiological diagnosis to identify health education and promotion needs of individuals, organizations, settings and communities.

MAJAM, Mohammed Ezinthsa

Johannesburg, South Africa

Mohammed Majam (MBA, BSc Hons) is the Director for Medical Technologies at Ezintsha, Wits University in Johannesburg, South Africa. He is a leading voice in self-testing globally, having overseen the largest implementation research project on HIV Self-testing through the STAR consortium in South Africa. His work focusses on product usability and performance evaluations, as well as implementation science, and digital health. He and his team are currently evaluating products for viral hepatitis and STI's self-testing. Mohammed's strength is the implementation of decentralised testing modalities and access points having had successes in transport hubs, workplaces, and private pharmacies amongst others.



MAYER, Kenneth
Infectious Disease Attending
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Dr Kenneth Mayer (MD) is a physician who trained in the Harvard programs in Internal Medicine at Beth Israel Hospital and in Infectious Diseases at Brigham and Women's Hospital. As the founding Medical Research Director of Fenway Health, he created a community health research program that has developed an international reputation for its capability to conduct community-based research, focusing on sexual and gender minority health and biobehavioral approaches to HIV and STI prevention. He is currently a Professor of Medicine at Harvard Medical School, a Professor in Global Health and Population at the Harvard TC Chan School of Public Health, and Attending Physician at Beth Israel Deaconess Hospital. Starting in 1994, he has been a site Principal Investigator of NIH-funded clinical trials units, focusing on biobehavioral HIV prevention research (HIVNET, HVTN, MTN, ATN), and is a member of the scientific leadership of HPTN. He has co-authored more than 1000 peer-reviewed publications, co-authored the first text on AIDS for the general public and has co-edited 5 academic texts. He has served on the boards of amfAR, HIVMA and IAS, is an Editor-in-Chief of JIAS, and is a member of the PEPFAR Scientific Advisory Board.

NJUGUNA, Njambi FHI 360

Nairobi, Kenya

Njambi Njuguna is a medical doctor with over 14 years work experience in public health and research, implementing Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) and HIV/AIDS programs. She is a Regional Senior Technical Advisor (policy and programs) for the MOSAIC project, a USAID- and PEPFAR-funded program that works to introduce new biomedical HIV prevention products in several sub-Saharan countries. Prior to this, Dr Njuguna was a Senior Technical Advisor and Project Director for FHI 360-led LINKAGES and EpiC programs respectively, both of which are large USAID-funded programs focusing on comprehensive HIV prevention and treatment interventions primarily among key populations and their partners. Before this, Dr Njuguna worked in several multi-site, multi-country projects and studies as a principal investigator, coordinator and clinical team lead in work involving PrEP, bio-behavioral interventions and Health interventions among young women and adolescents at risk of or infected with HIV in Kenya.



ROSADIÑO, John Danvic T. Love Yourself Manila, Philippines

Danvic is the Program and Innovations Director of LoveYourself Inc., a community-based organization based in metropolitan Manila, Philippines. While the organization's main thrust is to promote self-worth leading to self-care among the men who have sex with men (MSM) and the youth, the organization is mostly known to provide HIV and sexual health-related services to the community in the Philippines.

He has spearheaded various HIV and sexual health researches, programs, and innovations, such as Project PrEPPY (PrEP Pilipinas; introduction of HIV pre-exposure prophylaxis in the Philippines), and SelfCare (introduction of HIV unassisted self-testing in the Philippines). He also conducted several researches on HIV prevalence and incidence (in the Philippines and Malaysia), and values and preferences studies on Hepatitis C self-testing and COVID-19 selftesting.

He has also provided consultations and workshops on HIV PrEP demand generation in several countries in Asia. He has also been part of various technical working groups in HIV service delivery for the World Health Organization (WHO). In March 2022, he co-chaired the development of the WHO guidelines recommending long-injecting cabotegravir (CAB-LA) as an additional HIV prevention option.

Juggling his passion for learning and being an HIV advocate, he also headed the learning and development team of LoveYourself. He is also a volunteer HIV counselor, life coach, and client data protection officer.

Formerly, he was a Surveillance Assistant at the National HIV and STI Surveillance and Strategic Information Unit of the Epidemiology Bureau, Department of Health – Philippines. Danvic is currently taking Masters of International Health at the Faculty of Management and Development Studies of the University of the Philippines – Open University. He graduated a postgraduate Diploma in International Health in 2021. He finished his Bachelor of Science in Biology degree at the College of Science of the University of Santo Tomas, in Manila, Philippines in 2010.



SALEM, Hasna Ministry of Health and Social Protection Rabat, Morocco

Ms Hasna SALEM is a state graduate in midwifery, and holds a Master's degree in paramedical education and a Master's degree in public health at the National School of Public Health (ENSP) in Rabat. As the Executive Manager of public health programs at the Ministry of Health and Social Protection at the Directorate of Epidemiology and Disease Control/STI/AIDS Service, she has extensive experience in the management of health programs public in particular the prevention and management of blood exposure accidents (AES) and sexual accidents for which she is the national focal point, she is also the national focal point for the prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV, syphilis and viral hepatitis B.

She actively participated in the evaluation and the system for the prevention and management of AES and sexual accidents and in the development of the guide for the prevention and management of AES and sexual accidents for use by professionals of health as well as the development of a circular aimed at reorganizing the system put in place and defining roles and responsibilities. The study to evaluate the acceptability and feasibility of the use of HIV self-testing in Primary Health Care Facilities (ESSP). She actively participated in research by publishing articles on HIV self-testing, AES and other public health themes.

In her free time, she likes to hike, read works, listen to music and participate in campaigns to raise awareness among the population and young students on sexual and reproductive health and other public health themes.

SIBANDA, Euphemia CESHHAR

Harare, Zimbabwe

Dr Euphemia Sibanda is an epidemiologist employed jointly by CeSHHAR Zimbabwe (as the Deputy Executive Director, Science) and Liverpool School of Tropical Medicine (as a Reader in Global Health and Epidemiology). She is based in Zimbabwe where she conducts implementation research in HIV and sexual & reproductive health, with over 15 years' experience in this work. Her recent work includes individual and cluster randomised trials evaluating different models of providing HIV self-testing and linkage to treatment and prevention (mostly within the STAR Project), with ongoing work of developing and evaluating peer-led promotion of integrated HIV and contraception services, including HIV self-testing, post-exposure prophylaxis, and postcoital contraception. She has experience conducting research among general populations, young people and sex workers, with a significant portion of my ongoing work focused on co-developing and evaluating community-led interventions for promoting uptake of HIV and sexual & reproductive health services.



TAN, Darrell St. Michael's Hospital Toronto, Canada

Darrell H. S. Tan is an infectious diseases physician and Clinician-Scientist at St. Michael's Hospital, where he leads the Options Collaboratory in HIV/STI Treatment and Prevention Science (www.optionslab.ca). He is also an Associate Professor in the Department of Medicine and Institute of Health Policy, Management and Evaluation at the University of Toronto, with a cross-appointment in the Institute of Medical Science. His research focuses on clinical trials and implementation science in the areas of HIV prevention and treatment, sexually transmitted infections (STIs), and COVID-19. Dr Tan holds a Tier 2 Canada Research Chair in HIV Prevention and STIs, is Co-Lead of the HIV Prevention Core of the CIHR Canadian HIV Trials Network and is a member of the Governing Council of the International AIDS Society.