



**TRAVEL REPORT SUMMARY**

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**Title of the event:**

Monitoring visit to NGO "AntiSPID"

**Visits Dates:** 22.09.2022

**Purpose of visits:**

- 1) Discussing programme activity with the staff of organization.
- 2) Inventory of HP.
- 3) Meeting with clients of NGO "AntiSPID".
- 4) Verification of data.

1) There was a meeting with the staff of organization on programme activities. The staff of organization working within the UNDP/GF project consist of: 20 outreach workers, M&E specialist, specialist of MIS data base, HP management specialist, coordinator, accountant. In total 20 outreach workers are involved in outreach work: 5 outreach workers work with TG group, around 70-80 TG are covered; 3 outreach workers work with clients from Issyk-kul oblast, around 70-80 clients from Issyk-Kul oblast are covered; some clients from Osh, Dzhahal-Abad and Talas who stay in Bishkek also receive services from the organization; organization covers West and East part of Chui oblast with the coverage of around 3000 clients, in Bishkek – around 1500 clients. Each outreach worker covers 180 clients on 50% of employment, up to 350 clients - on 100%. Outreach work is conducted every day at the "apartment" meetings, on the streets, night clubs, each outreach worker covers 7-8 clients every day. In clubs the coverage is much higher. With regular clients they meet 1-3 times a month. Outreach workers closely with doctors work with PLHIV clients, most of PLHIV clients are on ART, but there 2-3 PLHIV who are still not on ART.

In accordance with % of employment the indicators on coverage and HIV testing are distributed among outreach workers and tracked by M&E specialist.

There are 8 outreach workers who conduct rapid testing during outreach work and in the office. The indicators on coverage and HIV testing will be achieved for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter. The indicator on PrEP will be not achieved due to the following reasons: clients do not want to go to AIDS Center, take ART drugs, side effects, some clients start PrEP, but when some symptoms occur due to other disease, and they think that it is side effects of PrEP and stop to take PrEP. Outreach workers consult clients and distribute informational materials, conduct mini-session and informational campaigns on PrEP.

Coordinator and M&E specialist conduct monitoring visits during the "apartment" meetings of clients and also meet with new clients. At the monitoring visits they conduct interviews with clients in accordance with the questionnaire developed by the UNDP/GF project and also send on-line survey by link. The answers of this survey are collected, consolidated, and analyzed, then the results are presented in quarterly programme report. Once the results are ready, necessary actions and measures are taken if needed.

Organization uses the following primary documents: diaries of outreach workers, referral forms, monthly reports of employees, log for receiving domestic services, document on quantity of HP issued from the warehouse and distributed to clients for each week. Diaries are filled in once a week from drafts. Once a week outreach workers submit copies of diaries to M&E specialist, then after verification M&E specialist submits them to Data Base specialist. Data Base specialist enters the data to Data Base every day.

Outreach workers received HP from the warehouse once a week in pieces based on the coverage for one week. Boxes from condoms are destroyed.

From July the quantity of HP for clients had been decreased due to out of stock in UNDP warehouse because of fire incident.

- 2) Inventory was conducted for the following health products: condoms, rapid tests, health products for rapid testing, STI drugs. Actual stock corresponded to the data in HP logs and 1C programme. There were no discrepancies found.

Accounting of HP is conducted by HP logs (sheets on HP issue with the signatures of employees), monthly reports of employees and 1C warehouse programme.

HP management specialist is responsible for HP issue from the warehouse and the accountant is responsible for 1C warehouse programme.

Organization has the special room for HP storage, the storage conditions are satisfactory. The temperature and humidity in storage room and refrigerator are fixed.

The accounting documents for HP are HP table, 1C warehouse programme, acts of acceptance, delivery notes (from 1C).

The stock of HP is for the period till the end of October approximately.

- 3) Meeting with clients was conducted in the office of organization.

MSM were interviewed with the following codes: ПАКО104, ШАМУ182, СУИЛ101, ФАКА178, ЛАИС198, АШЖИ283, ЗАНА102, АНТИ102, САБО102, НАЖА194, НУНУ192, КЫБА199. The total number of interviewed clients – 12 MSM.

Among the services received under the project, the organization's clients named the following: provision of condoms (flavored, standard), lubricant, STI testing in the Aqua laboratory, counseling on safe behavior, PrEP, and HIV testing, counseling by psychologist, proctologist, dermato-venereologist, lawyer.

The main number of clients have been in contact with the staff of the organization for 1 to 10 years, 3 clients came to the organization for the first time and were not very open. All those who had already received the organization's services for a long time had received a situational PrEP.

According to the interviewed clients, clients meet with outreach workers weekly, some of them even more often. Meetings last from half an hour to 2-3 hours.

Usually they receive 3 to 6 per week, if the MSM/TG provides sex services many more condoms are needed, 30-40 per week. Currently the number of condoms distributed by the project has decreased because the fire incident in UNDP warehouse. Now condoms are distributed at the rate of 1 per day.

Clients noted that sometimes they do not use condoms, some clients noted that condom sizes are small and that condoms are not used with regular partners. In addition, it was noted that lubricants are liquid and not convenient to use.

The majority of interviewed clients mentioned 3 ways of HIV transmission, from STIs they named only syphilis and gonorrhea, chlamydia. Symptoms of STIs were named partially, and in case of STI symptoms they go to outreach workers of the organization. Clients who came to the organization for the first time had not heard anything about STIs and HIV infection and could not answer the questions. Most clients had heard and practiced pre-exposure prophylaxis. They feel safe when communicating with staff members, staff members treat them with respect, there have been no violations of confidentiality by staff members of the organization. There have been no arrests or cases of stigma and discrimination related to belonging to key populations for the last 6 months. Clients of the organization assess the work of the organization and the staff of the organization as "5". Only one client noted that there were threats and beatings from close people and relatives, but the client did not apply anywhere on this case.

There was a request from clients to give more information about STIs.

#### 4) Verification of data.

Data verification results (between primary documentation and MIS database)

Month	Primary documentation	Database/ Aggregating document	Number of checked codes	% Coincidence of primary documentation and database	Notes
July	Outreach Worker diary	MIS Database	25	100%	Ensure that the database matches the primary documentation
August			25	100%	
September			25	100%	

No discrepancies between the data from the primary documentation and the MIS database were found.

Data verification was carried out in the presence of a database specialist: Sadykova S.

#### Recommendations:

##### For NGO "AntiSPID":

1. To enter category for all PLHIV and TG clients to MIS Data Base.
2. To strengthen the control of issue and accounting of HP and STI drugs.
3. To conduct more mini-sessions and other events for promoting PrEP among clients.
4. To take measures to achieve indicators on PrEP for 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> quarters.
5. To strengthen the work with new clients on HIV and STIs prevention, safe behavior, PrEP, etc.

##### For UNDP/GF Project:

1. To start the practice on providing of PrEP on the base of organization.

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