Supporting people with TB in countries affected by conflicts

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Day 2, Friday 20 May, 15:00-16:00 CET
Ukraine – main areas of the Stop TB Partnership’s cooperation with the country

▸ Procurement and supply of TB drugs and diagnostics – GDF *(details on the following slides)*

▸ Long-standing fruitful collaboration with civil society organizations in Ukraine
  ▪ Challenge Facility for Civil Society (CFCS): 2 country grants in each of the last three application rounds
  ▪ National Stop TB platforms: projects to support establishment and operations of the national partnership ‘Stop TB Ukraine’

▸ The only EECA country within the Global Fund’s Strategic Initiative on Finding Missing People with TB

▸ Support to the NTP and partners in the implementation of the Global Fund support (2 country TB/HIV grants and 2 C19RM grants)
  ▪ TA to development of Funding Requests and grant implementation

▸ Performance assessment and strategic planning of the TB diagnostic network
  ▪ Comprehensive assessment of needs in rapid molecular diagnostics and investment planning (2021), in collaboration with TGF Regional Project TB-REP 2.0

▸ STP – key technical partner for the USAID-funded project ‘Support TB Control Efforts in Ukraine’ implemented by PATH Ukraine, which aims at further advancing the modern evidence-based strategies and practices for ending TB in the country
STP support to Ukraine since the war started…1

- Coordination and alignment with national and international partners – strongest ever with USAID, GF, WHO HQ-WHO EURO
- Reprogramming CFCS grants’ activities towards emergency needs of people with TB upon the grantees’ requests
- Donation of ultraportable X-ray devices with AI/CAD for TB screening among key population – our work with Fujifilm and TBpeople Ukraine (donation through STP, goods delivered on 16 May 2022)
- Work with Cepheid on donation of GeneXpert instruments and cartridges for TB testing among Ukrainian refugees in the neighboring countries (Romania, Slovakia, Hungary, etc) – donation through STP / GDF (ongoing)
- World TB Day 2022 Press Briefing: TB funding, COVID-19 recovery, continuity of TB services in Ukraine (online participation of the NTP manager and TB people Ukraine) (22 March 2022)
- National World TB Day online event organized by the Partnership ‘Stop TB. Ukraine’ (24 March 2022)
- Consultations and meetings of the working groups on supply of TB drugs and commodities in crisis conditions, including IDPs and cross-border situation and provision of TB services by NTPs in neighboring countries (with the Ministry of Health, NTP / Center for Public Health, the Global Fund, WHO/EURO, USAID, and other national and external partners)
Stop TB Partnership GDF support to countries affected by conflicts

- Out of 152 GDF client countries, more than 10% are affected by military conflicts, civil unrest and other types of events that pose an immediate threat to human lives, cause population displacement and challenge TB services.

*Those events affect all stages of TB products’ Procurement and Supply management*

- Afghanistan, Burkina Faso, CAR, Chad, Armenia, Azerbaijan, Ethiopia, Iraq, Libya, Myanmar, Pakistan, Somalia, Syria, South Sudan, Sudan, Ukraine, and Yemen – GDF-supported countries affected by military events, conflicts and civil unrest.

- Close coordination, GDF’s supply flexibility and technical support – supported country programs to ensure uninterrupted supplies of medicines and diagnostics; no stockouts reported even in these volatile circumstances.
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GDF is working with the NTP Ukraine, WHO / EURO and the Global Fund country team to ensure availability of TB products in the country

**National stock replenishment**

- Government fully finances domestic procurement of TB medicines and diagnostics for Ukrainian controlled territories
- The state-funded stock of medicines and diagnostics covers needs until the end of 2022 – depending on status of the warehouse
- National tender to replenish state-funded TB products was planned for March 2022 – has not happened and will not happen
- TGF agreed to finance first and second-line TB medicines to replenish national stocks
- GDF worked with the rGLC, NTP Ukraine and the TGF on quantification, supply planning and order placement for national stock replenishment
  - Orders are being submitted
- Ukraine had TGF-funded orders for non-Government controlled territories (Luhansk and Donetsk oblasts) and penitentiary sector pending when the war started.
  - GDF agreed with the National Team, TGF - changed the final destination and shipment dates of the orders placed before the war
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Medicines for DR-TB treatment availability in the countries where Ukrainian refugees flee

- GDF is working with the WHO EURO and TGF to ensure access to TB medicines for Ukrainian refugees in neighboring countries
- Not all TB medicines are available for refugees in EU countries where refugees flee
  - GDF conducted quantification and budget estimation
    - WHO EURO is in the process of placing an order for Poland
    - TGF - emergency grant for Romania
- GDF worked with JNJ and Otsuka on access to Bedaquiline and Delamanid for Ukrainian refugees who will be treated in EU countries
  - JNJ confirmed a direct donation of Bedaquiline to Romania, Poland, Hungary, and Slovakia to cover both Ukrainian refugees and nationals for the duration of this humanitarian emergency
  - Otsuka has agreed to supply Delamanid to Poland and any other country that may need it for Ukrainian refugees at GDF concessional prices
    - GDF is in ongoing discussions with Otsuka about the possibility of Delamanid donation (adult and pediatric formulations)