



AZERBAIJAN

Regional Program "Partnership for Equitable Access to HIV Care Continuum in Eastern Europe and Central Asia"



 **The Global Fund**



COMPOSITION OF CONSORTIUM



NGO "Fighting AIDS"



NGO "Clean World"



NGO "Gender and Development"



PROJECT TERM

01.07.2017 - 31.10.2018



PROJECT PRIORITY TASKS



Ensuring
access to
life-saving HIV
services: HIV care
continuum



Advocacy
of ensuring the
transition to
sustainable state
funding of HIV care
continuum for key
populations



Increasing
coordination and
teamwork between
various community
groups at the
regional and national
levels



KEY ACTIVITIES



Implementing the standards in the health care system at the national level for the provision of HIV community-based services and mechanisms for referral to health services for KAP



Facilitating dialogue on increasing the allocation of public funding for the preventive programs for communities of PLHIV, SW, MSM, PWUD



Prepare and implement joint initiatives to improve community coordination and collaboration.





KEY PROJECT ACHIEVEMENTS



For the first time in the country, there were allocated grants to harm reduction programs from the state budget



On November 7, 2017, the Law on Amendment of the Criminal Code was adopted, a new article 74-1 was added (Exemption from criminal liability for drug addiction).



An updated Clinical HIV diagnosis and treatment protocol was approved.



The social order for NGOs operating in the field of HIV was included in the state procurement plan for 2018-2021.



ARVs will be procured through International Procurement Agencies (UNDP).



Standards for the provision of HIV community-based services and referral mechanisms to medical services for KAP (PLHA, PWUD, SW, MSM) were developed.



PRIORITY ADVOCACY TASKS FOR THE NEXT TWO YEARS



Improving the quality of community-based HIV services.



Advocating an increase in state funding to provide continuous HIV care for key populations.



Advocacy of OST expansion in the country.



Increasing coordination and teamwork between different community groups at the regional and national levels.



Reducing stigma and discrimination against key populations.