



USAID/Accelerating Support to Advanced Local Partners (ASAP) WEBINAR SERIES

Telling your Project's Story

March 2, 2022

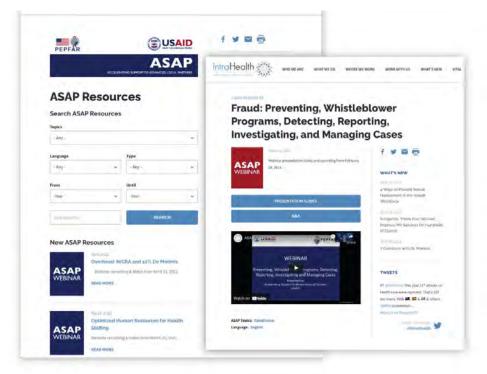


AGENDA

- 1. Introductions
- 2. Why communications matters
- 3. Identify your audience
- 4. Success Stories
- 5. Repackaging your content*
- 6. Consent & disclosures
- 7. USAID communications & resources
- 8. Right to Care storytelling in action*

A FEW QUICK NOTES

- 1. Welcome Local Partners tell us where you're from in the chat.
- 2. Please use the **Q&A box to ask any questions** and the chat box for answering questions asked by the presenters.
- 3. We have **two polls** during the webinar today.
- 4. The presentation for today's webinar will be saved on ASAP's website at **www.intrahealth.org/asap-resources**



ON-DEMAND WEBINARS

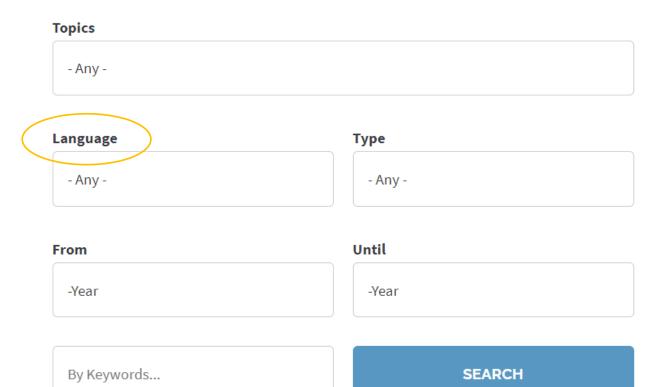
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Writing Abstracts



July 2021

Webinar recording and presentation notes from July 8, 2021.

Download a pdf of the presentation.

Watch a recording

of the webinar.



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WHAT'S NEW

July 26, 2021

What Does It Take to Keep HIV Services Available in Tanzania during COVID-19?

July 08, 2021

Quality Improvement: The Quiet Hero of Global Health Programs

July 02, 2021

New Regional Advisors Will Guide Frontline Health Workers Coalition's Policy and Advocacy Work

TWEETS

Safina meets w/ expectant mothers (who often walk 5+ kms to see her) during #COVID19. Our

UPCOMING WEBINARS

March 9 USAID Financial Policies, Internal Controls, and Compliance

March 16 Optimizing Gender in the Workplace

March 22 French Webinar - **Program and Data Quality Assurance and Improvement**

March 23 Sub Award Management from Solicitation to Close-out

Click for upcoming ASAP Webinars

TODAY'S PRESENTERS

Susan Melnyk Communications & Graphics Specialist *ASAP*

Katherine Seaton

Senior Communications Writer/Editor IntraHealth International

Skye Grove

Senior Technical Specialist: Social & Behavior Change Communication *Right to Care*

TELL US ABOUT YOURSELF

- 1. Is communications your **primary role**?
- 2. How many people are on your **communications team**?
- 3. Do you currently have the **resources** you need to effectively communicate your project's results?

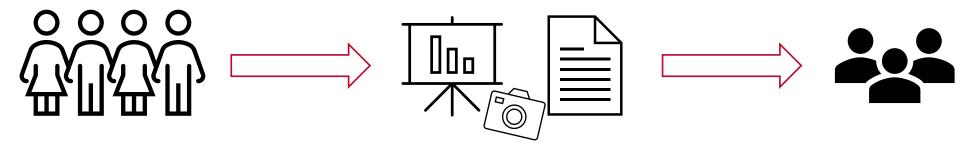


4. Which tools are you actively using for your project?

WHY DOES COMMUNICATIONS MATTER?



FLOW OF INFORMATION



Your project team

Reports, photos, presentations, videos, and success stories

Donor



Think about communications from the start.

Build it into your proposal, budget, and work plan.

Advocate for communications

and help your team, organization, and donor better understand the value it brings.

Who is your audience

and why are you communicating with them?

TYPES OF AUDIENCES

External

- a. <mark>Donor</mark>
- b. Your project's beneficiaries
- c. Your organization's main audience
 - People currently using your services
 - Local community
 - Potential donors

HIGHLIGHTING YOUR HARD WORK

FOR YOUR CURRENT DONOR

Contract or award requirement

- o Share progress, results, and lessons learned
 - Reports / Success Stories / Presentations
- **Raise visibility** of your donor's project and your organization's work and capabilities
- Position your organization for **new project opportunities**

TYPES OF AUDIENCES

External

- a. Donor
- b. Your project's beneficiaries
 - People currently using your services
 - Larger community
- c. Your organization's audiences
 - People currently using your services
 - Local community
 - Potential donors

HIGHLIGHTING YOUR HARD WORK

FOR YOUR COMMUNITY & BENEFICIARIES

- **Raise visibility** of your organization's work and services
- Advocate for issues important to your organization
- Build goodwill towards your organization
- Reach beyond current donors for future funding opportunities

TYPES OF AUDIENCES

Internal

- a. Project staff
- b. Organization's employees
- c. Board members / Advisory Teams

HIGHLIGHTING YOUR HARD WORK

FOR YOUR COLLEAGUES

- Share lessons learned to build knowledge in your organization
- Raise visibility of your project's work within your organization
- Build and **improve your team's morale** by sharing wins/successes

STUDY YOUR AUDIENCE

Where are they communicating?

a) Social media – which platforms?
b) Newsletters – internal/external
c) Website/blog – is it active?
d) Local and national press

STUDY YOUR AUDIENCE

How are they communicating?

- a) Reports
- b) Articles/Blog posts
- c) Photos
- d) Videos
- e) Testimonials

What is the tone/style of their different communications?

a) Formal b) Casual

Listen and observe before you start communicating to better understand what your audience responds to.

SOCIAL MEDIA It's not the count, it's the connection.

It's more important to **identify your audience and connect with them** then to chase *LIKES* and *FOLLOWERS*.

Advocate and educate for the *metrics that matter*.

7 KEY WAYS TO TELL YOUR STORY



1. USAID and donor **reports** 2. USAID success stories **3. Press releases 4.**Presentations **5.Newsletters** 6.Blog posts on your organization's website

7.Social media

REPACKAGE YOUR CONTENT



- 1. Write a **success story** to submit to USAID
- 2. Include in a **text box in your next report.**
- 3. Write a **press release** and submit to local media outlets.
- 4. Record the **interview on video (or just audio)** and **insert a clip in your next report** or share in your next meeting with the donor.
- 5. Take some **photos** at the interview to include in your success story, in reports, and as a social media post (in accordance with your specific agreement/contract).
- 6. Pull quotes from interview and **share on social media.**
- 7. Add a **snippet to your newsletter** and link to it your website/blog.



Repackaging your stories

A case study from IntraHealth International

Katherine Seaton Senior Communications Specialist IntraHealth International



Using content

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Frontline Health Workers Coalition

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News

New Approach Helps Nursing and Midwifery Schools in Mali Improve Curricula and Achieve Accreditation

TCI Next Gen Will Reach the Next Generation

women and girls in poor urban communities in Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire,

of Family Planning Users in West Africa

A new award will expand sexual and reproductive health services for

This local sustainable solution will help increase the number of qualified health workers in the country.



November 22, 2021 More Mothers and Babies in Senegal Gain Access to High-Quality Health Services

More than 1.7 million children received nutrition services and access to family planning increased in 7 regions.

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Step 1: Publish

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More Mothers and Babies in Senegal Gain Access to High-Quality Health Services through Neema



Clients waiting at the Tanaff Health Center in Senegal in 2019. Photo by Clement Tardif for IntraHealth International.

November 22, 2021

Over the past five years, more than 1.7 million children under five in Senegal received nutrition services through IntraHealth International's USAID-funded Integrated Service Delivery – Healthy Behaviors Project—called Neema. The program also helped over 80% of health facilities in seven regions build functional referral systems to connect community members to services at nearby health facilities; made family planning services available to more people, resulting in 675,000 years of protection from unwanted pregnancies for

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RELATED CONTENT

January 24, 2022

A New Referral System Connects More Women and Girls in Eastern Uganda to Family Planning

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To Strengthen HIV Services. This Ethiopian Organization is Taking 4 Steps to Focus on Gender Equality

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WHAT'S NEW

February 22, 2022 10 Black Americans Who Have Led COVID-19 Response

Step 2: Share

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More Mothers and Babies in Senegal Gain Access to High-Quality Health Services through Neema intrahealth.org + 2 min read.







Step 3: Send

USAID/Neema: Improving access, quality, and use of health services in Senegal

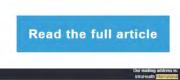


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Interested in what you've read and want to help us do more? Investing in health workers, especially those on the front lines of care, is one of the most cost-effective and sustainable ways to improve health and save lives. Consider making a donation today.

Donate

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Step 4: Share and send again





Our Approaches for Healthier Moms and Babies

"Tm so proud of the work we've done to help mothers and babies," says Babacar Gueye, Intrahealth's country director in Senegal. "We've made more progress in the last five years than we did during the last two decades."

IntraHealth's USAID-funded Neema project drove that progress. We strengthened health services and made them accessible to more people--especially women and children----in seven regions of Senegal.

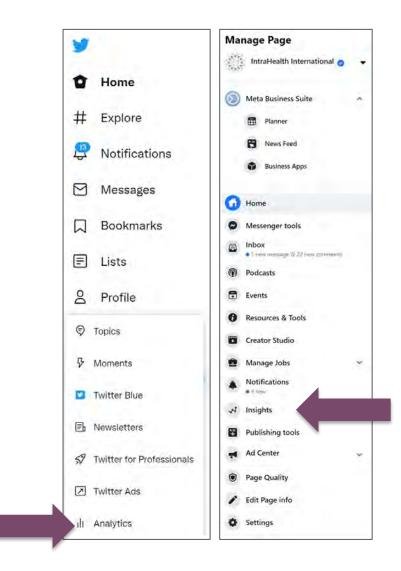
Our results include:

- 69.7% of women of reproductive age now say they use a family planning method for at least two years after childbirth, a 49.7% increase from 2017.
- · 77% of women of reproductive age are practicing early
- breastfeeding, compared to 60% in 2017.
- 53.4% of mothers seek care for their children within 24 hours of the beginning of symptoms or the next day, a 57% increase from 2017.
- 80% of children with moderate acute mahutrition ended up cured
- thanks to USAID/Neema's fortified-flour production program.
- 28,560 people living with HIV were on antiretroviral treatment, a 17% increase from 2017.

Learn how we achieved these results:



Step 5: Measure



Helpful notes

- Know you audience. You can't create content for your audience if you don't know what they're interested in.
- Write in simple, clear, easy to understand language.
- Switch it up don't use the same text for different platforms.
- Think about ways to **bring the reader in**. What does your audience want to hear from you?
- Use a **social media scheduling** platform like Loomly, Hootsuite, or Buffer to help you schedule social media posts in advance.
- Keep your **website** up to date.

Thank you!



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A CLOSER LOOK AT SUCCESS STORIES

WHAT MAKES A GREAT TITLE?

SHORT

Ideally under 10 words.



What you did and why it mattered.

DESCRIPTIVE

Make sure the **country name** is in the title.



Improving Malaria Treatment and Saving Lives in Uganda



With Limited Jobs, Tanzanian Youth Learn New Ways to Earn Income



Visually Impaired Children Get the Education They Need in Macedonia



Auxiliary Veterinary Personnel in Mali Boost Livestock Health

A CLOSER LOOK

SHORT 8 words, 6 key words

CONCISE & DESCRIPTIVE

What they did and why it mattered.

Includes the **country name**.

IMPROVING MALARIA TREATMENT AND SAVING LIVES IN UGANDA

Hospital increases accuracy of diagnosis and treatment

"We set a standard for good decision-making. It helped us track medicine use and minimize the unnecessary waste of our antimalarial medicines."



CAN'T SAY IT ALL IN THE TITLE? ADD A SUBTITLE

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QUOTES & PHOTOS MAKE A STORY PERSONAL

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KEY COMPONENTS



Submit a high resolution file

CAPTION Connect the photo to the story

QUOTE Use to highlight results

FRAME THE CHALLENGE

DESCRIBE YOUR PROJECT

USE DATA STRATEGICALLY

SUCCESS STORY Bringing Quality Dairy to Market

Higher Incomes for Farmers, Better Milk for Consumers



Through a Kinu Dairy internest free condit program made possible by RDCP II, 30 farmers have adopted the process of collecting milk with metal care instead of wooden core, a practice that helps easure luvieneand employ bipmess promits.

"The Seal of Quality Kits in addition to the training on milk testing, handling and quality has enormously boosted our dairy

> Mr. Bosco Musafiri, Manager, Kivu Dairy

Musafiri.

Improving the quality of a perishable good that spoils quickly, like milk, requires a few key inputs. Dairy farmers need disease-resistant livestock, clean hands, rapid product transport, hygienic processing, and adequately-refrigerated distribution centers. In districts like Rubayu throughout Rwanda, this process does not come easily. While agriculture accounts for 33 percent of Rwanda's GDP, the dairy sector only makes up a small portion. If the sector begins to produce at its full quantity and quality potential, it could transform the lives of many rural Rwandans and their families.

Mr. Bosco Musafiri is the manager of Kivu Dairy in the western district of Rubavu. His company is a participant in USAID's Rwanda Dairy Competitiveness Program II. Implemented by Land O'Lakes International Development, the project is designed to address these issues in the dairy sector and to do it by integrating stakeholders throughout the value chain-from farmers to consumers.

Launched in early 2012, the project has provided Seal of Quality kits, containing milk testing equipment, to 31 dairy cooperatives and five milk processers across Rwanda. These kits give dairy cooperatives and processors everything they need to test the safety and quality of the milk from each farmer. "The project has enormously boosted our dairy business," stated Mr. Musafiri. He added, "The kits brought us new and better technology to help differentiate the grades of milk."

In Rwanda, four grades divide the formal milk market. Grades I and 2 contain low bacteria counts. Grade 3 and the lowest grade, "Not Acceptable", contain levels that can cause serious illness or death to consumers. Informal kiosks, which are Kivu's main competitors in the market, often offer Grade 3 milk or lower. Despite the low grade, between 85 and 95 percent of Rwandan milk drinkers still shop at kiosks because impurities are often not detected visually.

"Now, we offer price-based incentives to encourage farmers to deliver high quality milk, which attains a higher price for the farmer," says Mr.

Although RDCP II has only been active for two years, current outcomes are promising. Daily collected milk volume has increased 50 percent, from 800 to 1,200 liters. The improvements in milk quality and quantity gave Inyange Industries, Rwanda's largest milk buyer, the confidence to contract with Kivu Dairy to supply 1,500 liters of clean milk daily, providing a welcome and worthwhile income boost for Kivu's milk suppliers.

HIT HARD IN THE FINAL PARAGRAPH

This is the part people will remember most.

Telling Our Story U.S. Agency for International Development Washington, DC 20523-1000 http://stories.usaid.gov

QUOTES & PHOTOS MAKE A STORY **PERSONAL**



EDITING MAKES ALL THE DIFFERENCE

RE-READ your work with fresh eyes **SHARE** for others to review **REVISE** your first draft **EDIT** again



LISTEN FOR FEEDBACK.

Talk to your donor about your reports.

Share an outline and ask what else they would like to see in future communications.

LISTEN FOR KEY PHRASES:

"I really like this chart." "That was a great presentation." "This other project I worked on did this..." "We need more information on..."



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THE IMPORTANCE OF CONSENT & DISCLOSURES

GET PERMISSION BEFORE YOU START

WRITTEN, PHOTO, & VIDEO

A **signed USAID or donor disclosure form** is due for all video and photos of beneficiaries, as well as for written interviews and quotes.

Protects the interviewee, your organization, and the U.S. government.

The form must be offered in the language the individual can read.

An **English version** of the form is available on the USAID website and **additional languages** are available through country Mission offices.

GIVE CLARITY & GET PERMISSION

- **1. Be up front** about where the photo, video, or interview could *potentially* be published.
- 2. Allow the person the opportunity to say no.
- **3. Be sure they can read and understand** the disclosure form.
- 4. Get the form signed.
- 5. Keep the form on file.

CONSIDER LOCAL LANGUAGES

Offer translation for interviews to allow interviewees to respond in the language they are most comfortable speaking.

Be sure to **translate accurately** in your final piece.

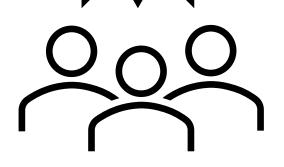
SKILLS TO BUILD IN COMMUNICATIONS

5 SKILLS TO BUILD FOR BETTER COMMUNICATIONS

- 1. Photography smart phone or digital camera
 - a) Learn to take great photos | Study other photographersb) Learn how to color grade photos
- 2. Videography filming & editing
- 3. Writing study published writing from your donor and leaders in the field. Practice improves all skills, so just keep writing and be open to having others review your work and provide constructive criticism.
- 4. Interview skills study how great interviewers make people feel comfortable, ask open-ended questions
- 5. Graphic design
 - a) Data visualization ideas and apps/software
 - b) Understand the basics of good design and formatting
 - c) InDesign, Photoshop, free versions of similar software

GET THE WHOLE TEAM INVOLVED

Good ideas come from everywhere.



Technical staff doing a site visit? **Take some photos**

M&E Team planning a survey? Include some open-ended questions to include quotes in your reports.

DON'T WORK IN A SILO

HOW DOES USAID **SHARE YOUR RESULTS?**

USAID WEBSITE

- Success Stories at -Transforming Lives | U.S. Agency for International <u>Development (usaid.gov)</u>
- Office of HIV/AIDS Blog U.S. Agency for International **Development**



OFFICE OF HIV/AIDS BLOG

TRANSFORMING LIVES

Every day, all over the world, USAID brings peace to those who endure violence, health to those who struggle with sickness, and prosperity to those who live in poverty. It is these individuals - these uncounted thousands of lives - that are the true measure of USAID's successes and the true face of USAID's programs.

FILTER STORIES

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Jailed Haitian Citizens



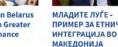
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Young People Set Example for Ethnic Integration in Macedonia



nplementer of PEPFAR, the Office of HIV/AIDS (OHA) leads USAID's efforts to control DS epidemic, working in close collaboration with Missions and other bureaus Agency, OHA's mandate is to provide both technical support to the field and eadership within USAID, PEPFAR, and the global HIV/AIDS community. The OHA the story of how USAID demonstrates its leadership in advancing HIV epidemic d sustainability, supporting country-led efforts for long-term sustainability and d applying science, technology, and innovation to support the implementation of ive, cutting-edge, sustainable, and appropriately integrated HIV/AIDS ins at scale.

Strategic Investments in the Health Workforce: Learning from Lesotho

COVID-19 highlighted the critical need for countries to make greater investments in their health workforce. This is no truer than in Lesotho, the small, mountainous country landlocked within South Africa. dealing with multiple epidemics. When COVID-19

sotho had the second-highest number of people living with HIV per capita in the

HOW DOES USAID SHARE YOUR RESULTS?



USAID Newsletter: Protecting Democracy in Bosnia and Herzegovina, Celebrating a COVID-19 Milestone, and More

United States Agency for International Development sent this bulletin at 01/31/2022 02:45 PM EST

NEWSLETTERS:

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Office of HIV/AIDS



Dear colleagues.

With a month into the new year, COP/ROP 2022 planning is effectively under way with a new vision for this year. To advance sustained epidemic control of H/V our goals are to: 1) achieve and sustain epidemic control using evidence-based, equitable, and people-centered H/V prevention and treatment services; 2) build resilient and capacitated country health systems, commanifies, enabling environments, and local partners; and 3) strengthen cooperation and coordination for greater impact, responsibility sharing, and sustainability. New global guidance emphasizes the need to shift from client-centered to person-centered terminology and minimum program requirements of demonstrating progress in equity, stigma, discrimination, and human rights. Additional updates to technical guidance can be found in the silde deck shared during the OHA Call to Implementing Partners held on January 27 (attached to this email).

As a reminder, if there are additional members of your organization who are not included on the list for this biweekly note, please send their contact information, in addition to any questions, concerns, or updates to OHA-communications-Team@usaid.gov.

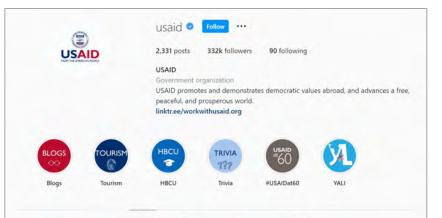




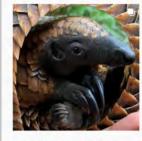
USAID NEWSLETTER | JANUARY 2022

Administrator Samantha Power traveled to Bosnia and Herzegovina (BiH) this month as the country is at a crossroads. Twenty six years after the Dayton Accords, we are seeing troubling challenges to the unity and prosperity of BiH. During the visit, Power underscored that the U.S. remains committed to the country and its people. And she found reasons for optimism – from journalists exposing corruption to meaningful reconciliation among different ethnic groups to engines of economic success taking flight.

HOW DOES USAID SHARE YOUR RESULTS?



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SOCIAL MEDIA:

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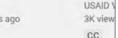
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Women 6 min read

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Cómo USAID está conectando a los guatemaltecos con el trabajo temporal en los Estados Unidos — Carlos García y su padre tienen un taller de reparación de automóviles de propiedad familiar en Mazatenango,...



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How USAID is connecting Guatemalans with seasonal work in the United States - Carlos Garcia and his father run a family-owned auto repair shop in Mazatenango, Guatemala. In 2020, business all but stopped when the...



Guatemala 4 min read

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The Partnerships for Enhanced Engagement in Research's Women in Science Mentoring Program is making a difference in the lives of women faculty --- February 2015 marked the first celebration of International Da.





MAKE IT EASY FOR YOUR DONOR TO SHARE

HIGH RESOLUTION PHOTO FILES

DISCLOSURE/CONSENT FORMS INCLUDED

STRONG DATA VISUALIZATION

Ready to go, straight out of the box.



RESOURCES

STYLE GUIDES

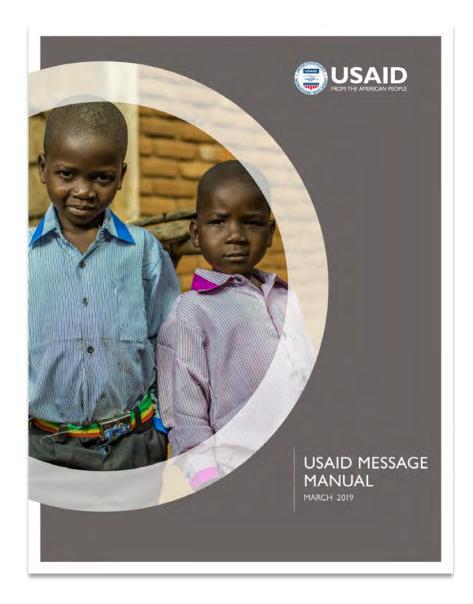
Study your donor's style guide as well as your organization's.

Don't have a style guide for your organization? Your communication's team can start developing one.

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MESSAGING MANUAL

Tips for writing and photography.



Rule of **Thirds**

Don't automatically put your subject in the center of every photo.



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PHOTO: KASHISH DAS SHRESTHA FOR USAID



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Great resource to study photo composition

What types of photos does your donor share? How are subjects positioned, rule of thirds, etc.

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NEVER STOP LEARNING

KEEP YOUR ORGANIZATION AHEAD OF THE CURVE **AND BUILD YOUR RESUME.**

OUESTIONS?



Telling your program's story. What Right to Care has learned.









RIGHT TO CARE AFRICA'S LEADING HEALTH NGO

A proven track record in setting up, scaling and maintaining innovative health solutions driven by high-level data analytics. RTC works closely with a range of multisectoral strategic partners, health ministries and USG donors in South Africa, across the African continent and in other parts of the world.

Our experience



Massive SA healthcare solutions

- Built Africa's largest NGO/NPC
- Pioneered HIV treatment in SA
- Delivering innovative public health for 20+ years & one of the best executing partners
- World Infectious disease experts
- Runs the largest treatment site in the world at Helen Joseph Hospital



Grant Management & governance experience

- 21 years of grant funding experience, (current R1.5Bn/yr, from USAID, Global Fund, CDC, WHO and GIZ)
- Plays a role in 50+ partnerships with global and local organisations.
- Unqualified audits in the past 20 years
- Safely manages grant funding



First African organization to implement Global HIV programs

- Outside SA: Right to Care International funded through USAID EQUIP Mechanism.
- Reached **17 countries Africa, SEA, Caribbean,** Eastern Europe.
- Localised in Zambia, Malawi, Lesotho (HIV/Aids and Covid-19 response).
- Employs over 4500 staff in 7 countries

Pharmacy innovation and automation

- Through Right ePharmacy, RTC spearheads disruptive innovation and enhancing differentiated models of pharmaceutical care in Africa
- Right ePharmacy provides automated easy-to use, safe and managed chronic medication dispensing services including ATM pharmacies, smart lockers and in-pharmacy automation amongst other innovations



Prevention & Treatment

- Conducted 10 000 000+ HIV tests
- Supported 800 000+ patients living with HIV with ART
- Performed **1,4+ million circumcisions** for HIV prevention
- Actively preventing the underlying cause of cervical cancer in women (HPV)



Disaster Medicine response

- Supported Ebola response in Sierra Leone
- Supporting SA Covid-19 response ministerial advice, strategic planning, surveillance, electronic vaccination dataa system(EVDS) and rural vaccinations support.
- Supporting the COVID-19 response in Zambia, Eswatini, Namibia & Malawi







Today's story

- RTC has a ten-year successful track record in the PEPFAR-supported South Africa's Voluntary Medical Male Circumcision (VMMC) program.
- Having performed Over 1 428 980 circumcisions since the inception of the program in April 2012.
- This arguably makes it one of the most successful demand creation, social behavioral change and and implementation programs in South Africa's public healthcare sector in recent years.

What did we learn about telling the VMMC story?







Design your program for storytelling

Milestone

Document local TV celebrity Kagiso Modupe's circumcision – personal story through social media journaling, TV, radio, PR, campaign design. M&E framework for measurability.

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Milestone

Design of SBCC strategy to integrate traditional male initiation with medical male circumcision. Campaign development: Let's Talk Safe Initiation. Visual documentation, personal stories M&E framework for measurability.

2018

Milestone

Culturally-informed VMMC strategy aimed at non-circumcising populations through VMMC ambassadorship of the Prince of the Zulu Nation, Prince Nhlanganiso Zulu. Campaign: Isibaya Samadoda (the circle of men). M&E framework for measurability.

2019

Milestone

VMMC demand creation in COVID-19 context. Visual journaling, personal storytelling, M&E framework for measurability.

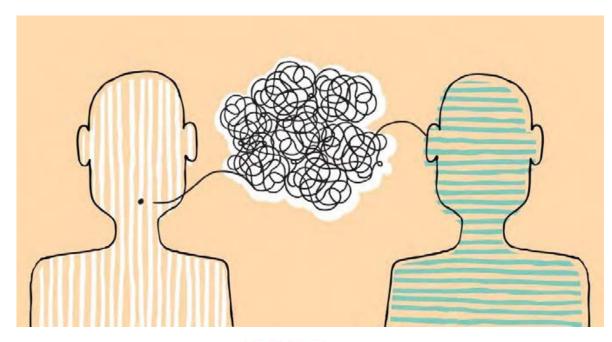
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PEPFAR U.S. President's Energency Plan for AIDS Relief





Start with the most important communication skill: Listening









Success is more than awareness









Know and target your audience as narrow as possible

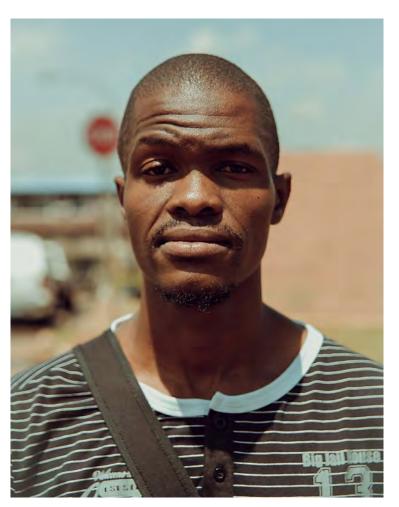








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Who is the late VMMC adopter?

He is 25 years old.

He is a TVET business student but doesn't know how he will fund his studies next year. He is ashamed of not being circumcised as an adolescent.

Most of his friends are circumcised. He feels that he fell behind in life compared to his friends. He is scared of pain – he heard that the older you are, the more painful circumcision is. His previous girlfriend didn't like his foreskin and mocked him. She called him macaroni.

He likes his foreskin and believes it enhances his sexual performance.

He is scared that a circumcision will influence his sex life negatively.

He loves his single mother and helps her in her Spaza shop.

His brother is in jail for armed robbery.

He recently made friends with a group of dajja smokers and he enjoys the sense of belonging. He loves soccer but has become unfit during lockdown.

He's seen MMC gazebos at the mall but is ashamed to be seen speaking to those people.

He picked up a MMC brochure from the Shisanyama last week.

He hates clinics – the last time he was there was for the treatment of drop and the female sister was very rude to him.

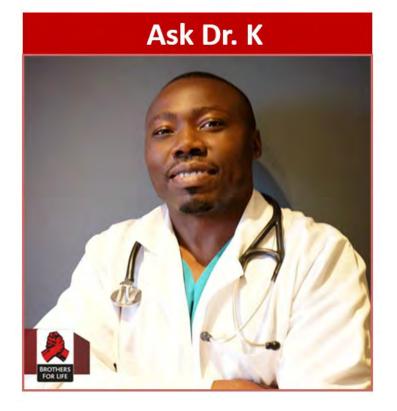
He worries about HIV and haven't been for a test in six years. He would like to be married and have children one day.







Choose your messenger carefully













Create storytellers in your team



Be prepared to document unexpected stories

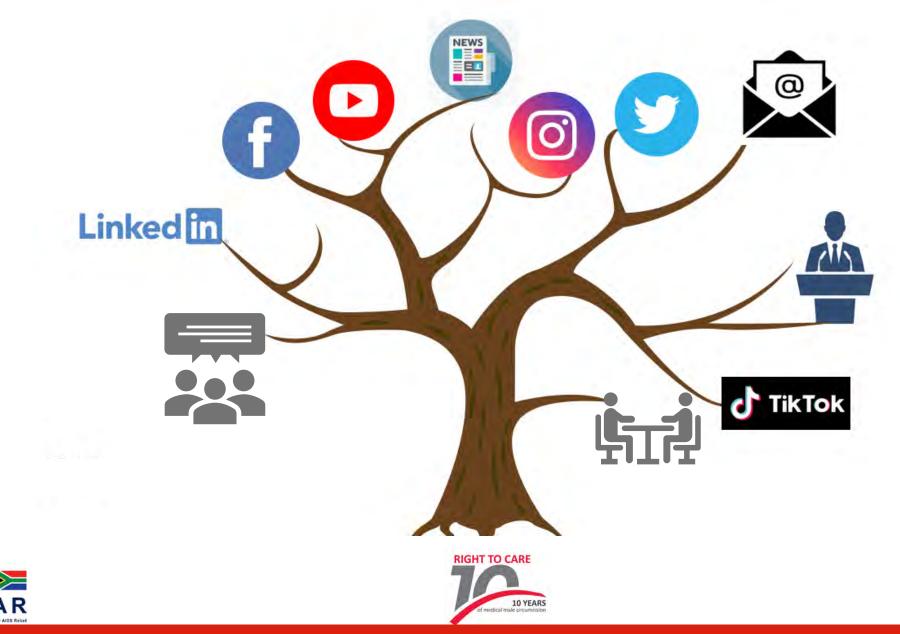








Explore different channels





If you cannot measure it, you cannot manage it Demand Creation M&E cascade

<u>**Reach</u>**: How clients many were reach with a campaign, outreach or interaction? For Eg through a radio campaign, all listeners would be considered as reach. When we have a mini-campaign, the number of men who received IEC material would be regarded as reach. During a school talk, the number of learners receiving the VMMC message would be considered reach.</u>

Leads: Men who showed an active interest, with whom interpersonal communication about VMMC took place. A potential client whose number we took <u>after</u> engaging him one-on-one. This would also be men who contact the call centre for more information or a booking.

Bookings: This is how many leads actually go ahead and make bookings – both with social mobilisers themselves or through the call centre.

<u>MMCs performed</u>: from all bookings, who showed up, were eligible for VMMC and circumcised successfully.







Numerator (How many successful MMCs have been performed)

Denominator (How many leads have been generated)

> MMCs performed = 50 Leads generated = 100 Conversion rate = 50%

There is little literature available on demand creation M&E modalities or conversion rate categorisation. An analysis of VMMC in South Africa published by Genysis Analytics in 2017 suggested an average conversion rate of 30% per social mobiliser as the norm. <u>https://tinyurl.com/2ryz2zxr</u>

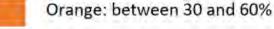
The VMMC landscape has changed considerably since the publication, and RTC suggest the following colour coded bands of conversion rates:



Red: 30% and below



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Green: 60% and above







Weekly reports on demand creation activities makes planning easier

Type of Activity	Door-to-Door	Awareness Campaigns	Loud Hailing	Blitz	Workplaces
Number reached	690	85	100	85	100
Number leads	430	20	45	20	45
Number Booked	303	12	30	12	30
Number Circumcised	166	10	30	10	30
Conversion Rate	38.6%	50%	66%	50%	66%

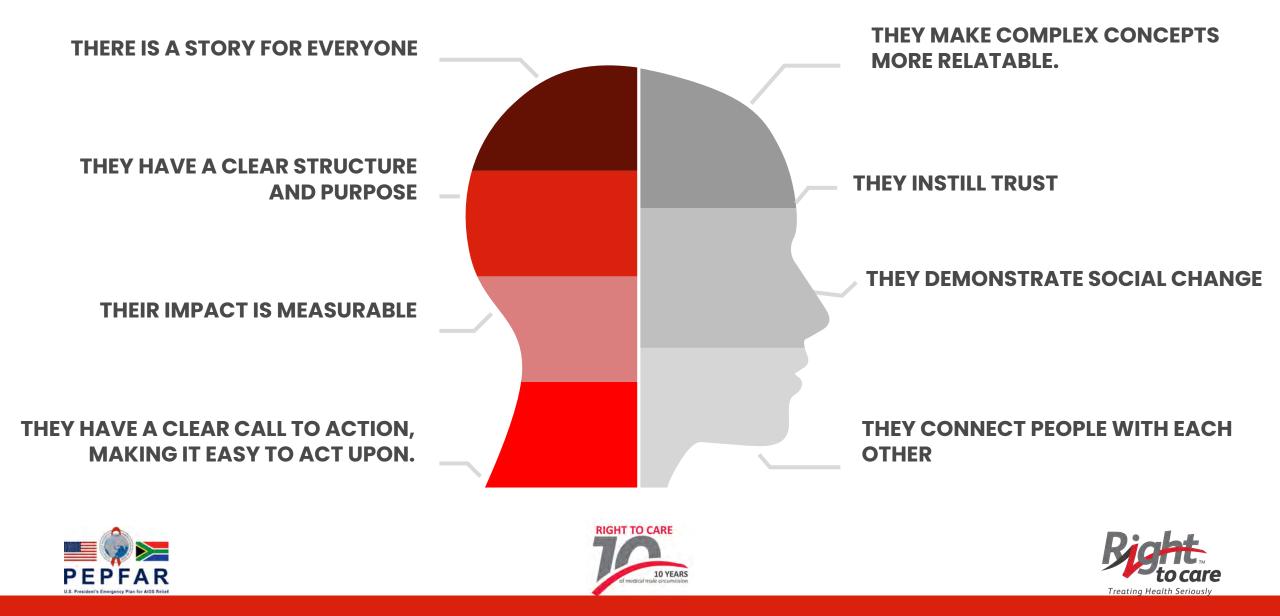
Type of Activity	Door-to-Door	School holidays	Radio partnership with Rock FM	
Number reached	407	279	2350	
Number leads	114	123	52	
Number Booked	108	98	22	
Number Circumcised	97	45	12	
Conversion Rate	85%	36%	24%	







Stories that inspire change have seven elements



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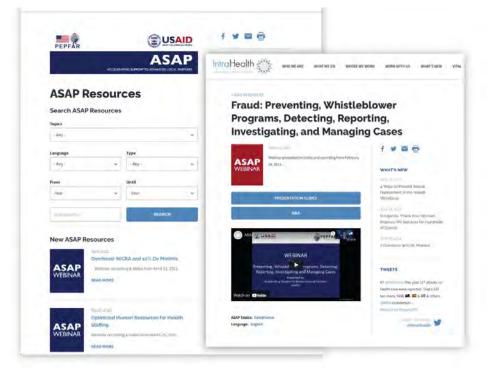
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