



## **PANCAP Declaration: Getting to Zero Discrimination through Justice For All (April 2015)**

*Implementing 15 Elements of the JFA Declaration and the **UNAIDS 90-90-90 targets** in short, medium and long term scenarios in keeping with the mandate of the 19<sup>th</sup> Special Council for Human and Social Development (September 2014) and resulting from recommendations at the PANCAP AGM October 2015 in Guadeloupe and stakeholder consultations in Barbados, Belize, Guyana, Haiti, Jamaica, Saint Lucia and Trinidad and Tobago.*

### **Short term 2014-2016**

1. That we strongly encourage the efforts to ensure that the Caribbean is the first region in the world to achieve the elimination of mother-to-child transmission of HIV;
2. Our commitment to amend existing equal opportunity acts setting out the prohibited grounds of discrimination in employment practices including HIV status, disability and sexual orientation;
3. That as part of the anti-discrimination Act, HIV be treated as a pre-existing condition for the purposes of assessment for insurance;
4. Our endorsement of the need to strengthen the laws related to domestic violence and other forms of abuse against women and girls;
5. Our support for the revision and strengthening of the health and family life (HFLE) curriculum to include more relevant age appropriate information on stigma and discrimination with reference to youth and adolescents, and particularly information on sexuality, sexual and reproductive health including HIV and AIDS and other STIs;
6. Our support for developing standardised modules for the delivery of HIV and AIDS education activities with particular focus on appreciating and understanding vulnerabilities and demystifying cultural myths that reinforce stigma and discrimination;
7. That we encourage and support our institutions of higher learning and other agencies to build research and training capacity in medical, social and behavioural studies in health and development collaboration with other regional and international agencies, thereby providing policy makers and practitioners with the evidence based information to make appropriate decisions;

### **Testing Target: 90 percent of people with HIV tested**

## **Medium term 2016-2018**

8. That we will support the principle of the enactment of laws to ensure universal coverage for treatment by 2018;
9. Our support for the enactment of an overarching anti-discrimination Act utilizing the Model Policy Legislation approved by the CARICOM Legal Affairs Committee (2012);
10. That we will develop and implement special programmes and provide special facilities for the differently abled, especially those living with HIV and AIDS;
11. That we encourage and support our institutions of higher learning and other agencies to build research and training capacity in medical, social and behavioural studies in health and development collaboration with other regional and international agencies, thereby providing policy makers and practitioners with the evidence based information to make appropriate decisions;
12. Our full support for the initiatives and mechanisms in the PANCAP Justice for All Roadmap aimed at increasing access to treatment including affordable medicines, reducing gender inequality including violence against women, promoting sexual and reproductive health and rights, achieving legislative rights for modifying and repealing discriminatory laws;
13. Our continuing support for PANCAP Coordinating Unit along with UNAIDS Joint programme and other members of PANCAP to accelerate the policies and programmes toward the HIV related elimination of stigma and discrimination in keeping with the international principles of human rights.

**Treatment Target: 90 percent of those tested having access to affordable treatment**

## **Long term 2018-2020**

14. That we will establish procedures to accelerate the process for the repeal of laws decriminalising sexual acts in private between consenting male and female adults and replace with or retain the provision criminalising sexual acts between any person in public, with the use of force, and acts of indecency committed against any person of less than 16 years;
15. Our full support for the initiatives and mechanisms in the PANCAP Justice for All Roadmap aimed at increasing access to treatment including affordable medicines, reducing gender inequality including violence against women, promoting sexual and reproductive health and rights, achieving legislative rights for modifying and repealing discriminatory laws;

**Zero Transmission Target: 90 percent of those on treatment with viral loads (in the blood) low enough as to avoid transmission of the disease.**