

# **HPP-CONGO**

### HUMANA PEOPLE TO PEOPLE CONGO

## Declaration of HPP-Congo's capacity in health and in the fight against HIV/AIDS and TB

#### Background

The Democratic Republic of Congo is one of the most disadvantaged countries in terms of health. Poverty and its corollaries create a weak basis for defending against disease. One of the African countries most affected by epidemics of HIV, TB and malaria, HIV prevalence is 1.2% and 1.8% among pregnant women attending antenatal clinics. The other threat to health is malaria. It is estimated that two out of every three child deaths are caused by malaria. Tuberculosis is also the leading cause of death among people with HIV. The country reports more than 100,000 cases of susceptible tuberculosis every year. This situation is exacerbated by HIV and the emergence of multi-resistant strains.

#### Mission

HPP-Congo's vision is to help reduce the spread of these epidemics and reverse the trends, and it is making the fight against these epidemics one of its concerns by informing and involving community members in the response. HPP-Congo's objective is therefore to contribute to prevention, improved screening, patient adherence and compliance with treatment, and to take control of these epidemics.

#### Vision

Working together for better health. That's why our health programmes must start with people, not diseases. Our health projects are based on the active participation of the people themselves in their communities.

#### **Intervention Approach**

HPP-Congo uses the TCE (Total Control of Epidemics) approach, which has proved its worth since it was launched in 2000 by Humana People to People. The TCE approach asserts that "only people can free themselves from the epidemic". This approach is based on person-toperson mobilisation for screening, referral to treatment and support for people on treatment so that they never forget it. HPP-Congo uses community-based approaches (Community Health Worker system et relay and TRIO) to combat epidemics, focusing on people by raising awareness through information, promoting screening/diagnosis, and ensuring adherence and compliance with treatment.

#### The TRIO system: an innovative approach

HPP-Congo is contributing its TRIO approach, which consists of setting up a group of 3 people



each: (1 patient, 1 Community Health Worker system et relay and 1 confidant of the patient/family member). The TRIO's role is to monitor the patient's daily medication intake and provide psychosocial support.

#### **Our Achievements**

#### HIV project: TCE Kinshasa-Katanga :

- Funding partner: PNMLS/BM,
- Location: Kinshasa (Kingabwa) and Haut-Katanga (C/Kenya, Kipushi),
- Period: 2009-2011,
- Objective: Combat the spread of HIV, Testing and living positively, 150 Community Health Worker system et relay trained and 375,000 people reached.

#### MILD distribution project in Tanganyika :

- Funding partner: PSI/Global Fund,
- Location: 11 health zones in the Tanganyika DPS,
- Period: 2016-2017,
- Objective: Combat malaria through the distribution and use of MILD, 3,321,345 people living in 598,465 households were reached and 1,582,480 mosquito nets distributed.

#### MILD distribution project in South Ubangi :

- Funding partner: Unicef/Global Fund,
- Location: 16 health zones in the South Ubangi DPS,
- Period: 2016-2017,

• Objective: Combat malaria by distributing MILD, 2208 villages in 246 health areas covered, 1,633,733 mosquito nets distributed to 613,708 households housing 3,079,628 people.

#### Project to strengthen the Community Health Worker system et relay :

- Funding partner: USAID,
- Location: Kinshasa (ZS Selembao and Kingabwa) and Haut-Katanga (ZS Kasenga),
- Period: 2016-2020,
- Objective: To support the DRC's healthcare system.

#### □ STOP TB project :

- Funding partner: UNOPS,
- Location: Haut-Katanga, ZS Rwashi,
- Period: 2018-2020,
- Objective: Raise awareness, refer, screen and diagnose all TB cases.
- FM/NMF Programme for Tuberculosis, HIV and Malaria :
- Funding partner: Global Fund through SANRU and CORDAID,
- Location: Mai-Ndombe, 14 health zones and 324 health facilities,
- Period: 2018-2023,
- Objective: To manage and use medicines and equipment provided by the Global Fund to combat malaria, tuberculosis and HIV epidemics.

#### Tonga Nzoto TCE project :

- Funding Partner: CDC/PEPFAR,
- Location: 6 HZ in Kinshasa,
- Period: 2019-2024,
- Objective: Stop the spread of HIV and contribute to the 95-95-95 objective.

#### □ TCE Reduce TB Project :

- Funding Partner: USAID,
- Location: 57 HZ in Haut-Katanga, Lualaba and Haut-Lomami,
- Period: 2021-2026,
- Objective: Stop the spread of TB

#### Hygiene and sanitation.

 96 natural springs developed and 56 wells drilled to serve 27 schools and 220,000 people as part of the Villages and Sanitary schools programme in the provinces of Sud Ubangi, Kinshasa and Haut-Katanga thanks to UNICEF funding. 62 boreholes, 144 latrine units built in 22 schools, 15,590 concrete hand-washing systems produced and 14,997 latrines built with flat san slabs as part of the Kasenga Community Water Sanitation and Hygiene Project (CWASH) benefiting 15,000 families in the Kasenga Health Zone from February 2014 to April 2017

#### Organisational context.

Humana People to People Congo (HPP-Congo) is a Congolese non-profit organisation founded in 2006. Its mission is to deliver quality community projects that equip community members with the knowledge, skills and tools they need to improve their well-being. Through its activities, HPP-Congo envisions a society in which communities are self-sufficient and improve their quality of life. HPP-Congo runs projects in the provinces of Sud-Ubangi, Haut-Katanga, Lualaba, Kongo-Central, Mongala, Tshopo, Tanganyika, Nord-Ubangi, Haut-Lomami, Mai-Ndombe and Kinshasa. HPP-Congo employs more than 450 salaried, multidisciplinary staff made up of nationals and expatriates, trained at national and international level, to manage and implement the various community programmes. Around 1,500,000 people benefit from its projects.

