NewGen Regional Training of Trainers and YKP Toolkit Training

Background

The Sustainability of HIV Services for Key Populations in Asia Program (SKPA Program) aims to promote sustainable services for key populations at scale to stop HIV transmissions and AIDS-related deaths by 2030. The program is managed by the Australian Federation of AIDS Organization (AFAO) as the Principal Recipient (PR). The program will be implemented in Bhutan, Lao PDR, Malaysia, Mongolia, Papua New Guinea, the Philippines, Sri Lanka and Timor-Leste.

Youth LEAD is one of the regional sub-recipients of the grant and will contribute on community system strengthening and service delivery, specifically focusing on Timor Leste and Papua New Guinea for 2019. The training mentioned below are the key regional activities, which will be eventually rolled out in countries through identified country partners and YKP champions.

NewGen Regional Training of Trainers (14 - 16 October 2019)

There have been increasing efforts made in recent years to expand prevention, treatment and care services key populations, but addressing the specific needs of young people from key populations and overcoming their particular barriers to services, has remained a challenge, as has to ensure their meaningful and strategic participation in the AIDS response.

NewGen was developed out of key concerns emerging from young people on the lack of opportunities for YKP to participate effectively and advocacy for change in the HIV response. It aims to enhance and foster the leadership skills of YKP for sustained and effective advocacy. The manual is one of the flagship programs of Youth LEAD and has since been rolled out in more than 12 countries across the Asia Pacific region producing tangible outcomes.

NewGen Regional Training of Trainers objectives are:

- To build the advocacy and leadership skills of young key populations at higher risk of HIV exposure
- To build the institutional capacity of community youth networks and other youth-led and youth-serving organisations, equipping them to better meet the needs of young key populations at higher risk of HIV exposure
- To equip participants with meaningful skills to integrate relevant topics and methodologies from the training into their existing leadership, advocacy and community support programmes
- To train young people with the necessary skills to be trainers and train other key population communities at the country-level
Many toolkits exist on addressing the needs and realities of different key populations, i.e. people who use drugs, men who have sex with men, transgender people, and sex workers, that have been developed by UN agencies, donors, key population networks and implementing organisations. In addition, there are technical briefs on young key populations (YKP) developed by WHO, which are important advocacy documents. However, there is still a lack of comprehensive programming guidance to address YKP in the Asia-Pacific region, and where good practices exist, they have not been brought to scale. As new HIV infections amongst YKPs increase, developing a toolkit to guide and inspire is crucial to supporting Asia-Pacific organizations to implement programmes that address the needs and realities of YKP in the regions.

The YKP toolkit was developed by a team of consultants, including youth consultants, the Youth LEAD secretariat and support provided by technical advisers. A great number of young people from across the region participated in large and small ways in the development of this toolkit; engaged from start to finish. Participants were invited to attend two consultations held in Bangkok, Thailand on 1 June 2018 and another on 29/30 October 2018. The toolkit was finalised in early 2019.

The YKP toolkit provides overall guidance and inspiration on YKP programming and takes users through critical thinking processes that result in a better understanding of what YKP programming should look like in any given context. The toolkit shares perspectives from YKPs, cases of best practices and offers examples to ensure meaningful engagement with donor agencies including the Global Fund.

**YKP Toolkit Training objectives are:**

- To highlight the unique needs of young key populations in the Asia-Pacific region
- To guide and inspire the development of comprehensive regional and national programmes for SRHR, including HIV, of YKP in the Asia-Pacific region
- To train and guide young people in developing proposal relating to programming for YKPs in the Asia Pacific for different donors, including the Global Fund

**Date and location of training**

The YKP Toolkit and NewGen Regional Training of Trainers will be conducted back-to-back over the course of six days in **Bali, Indonesia** from **14 October - 19 October**. Trainings will be facilitated in English (translation support will not be provided).

**Who can apply?**

- Young people from key populations, including young people who sell sex, young men who have sex with other men, young transgender persons, young people who use drugs and young people living with HIV **under the age of 30** from **Mongolia, Papua New Guinea, Timor-Leste, Laos, Philippines and Sri Lanka**
● Experience working on issues related to HIV, SRHR, key populations or youth at the community, national, regional or global levels for at least 1-2 years
● Currently engaged with key population communities at local, national or regional levels
● Good understanding of HIV related issues and the response at the local or national level
● Keen interest in the development of programmes for young key populations
● Proven leadership skills are highly desirable. The aspiration to become leaders in their community and organisation is an asset
● Prior experience in facilitating meetings, training or workshops is desirable but not mandatory
● Have basic computer skills, including the use of the internet and standard Microsoft/Mac OS applications
● Committed to engaging and working with key population communities after the trainings are completed
● Able to communicate in written and verbal English to a good understanding

Logistical details

Youth LEAD will cover all costs associated with the training that includes economical return flights, accommodation, per-diem, terminal expense and visa costs (if applicable).

How can you apply?

To apply, you must complete an online application form. The deadline to complete the form is Friday 13th September 2019. Applications including CVs sent via email will not be accepted.

Link to the online application form: https://forms.gle/4Xo6SeB6jDwpnapMA

If there any issues in accessing the online application form or if you have any questions regarding the training, please email info@youth-lead.org

Please read the selection criteria carefully before applying. Because of limited time and resources, we will only be informing selected participants.