

“HIV self testing – going to scale” STAR workshop

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WHO HIV Self-testing Strategy and Policy



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WHO policy and strategy

Normative guidance - WHO recommendation WAD 2016

- [Guidelines](#) and policy brief (in French, Spanish, Russian)
Largest HIV WHO web downloads, twitter and other social media etc #HIVSelftest
- [YouTube](#) WHO HIVST Q&A: 5,928 views
- Evidence published
Examining the effects of HIV self-testing compared to standard HIV testing services: A systematic review and meta-analysis (*accepted JIAS*)
Reliability of HIVST performed by self-testers compared to healthcare workers: a systematic review and meta-analysis (*Under review JIAS*)
- Dissemination process in all regions
 - Individual country support: MoH
 - Regional meetings: AFRO, EMRO, SEARO/WPRO, AMRO
 - Webinars: researchers, civil society, community leaders, etc.
- Implementation guidance - underway
- HIVST strategic framework
 - Implement and scale up HIVST
 - Availability of quality-assured HIVST products
 - Impact and sustainability of HIVST

} Research & Implementation prioritisation



 **UreportNigeria** @UreportNigeria · 12h
HIV self-test kit can empower people to find out their own HIV status & also to notify their partners & encourage them to get tested as well

WHO policy and strategy

- **Influencing country policy change:** now 32 countries

- Supporting HIVST inclusion in HTS policy
- Review of National HTS plans and strategies



- **Tracking research & implementation**

- CHINA CDC-NCAIDS projects >10 ongoing
- USAID: Africa, Asia ~12 ongoing
- Safe box, Russia, Elton John Foundation
- STAR project: UNITAID, Zambia, Zimbabwe, Malawi, South Africa



Efficient and fair market development

- **HIVST RTD "approval"** – PreQual and ERP-D
 - **GF ERP-D -1** product approved for implementation March 2017
 - 1 for demo projects... new call pending

UNITAID and the Global Fund expert panel approves the [first HIV self-testing product](#)

- **WHO PQ** several products & applications under review.
 - Need for blood-based and oral fluid
 - Highest sensitivity and ease of use

- **Market landscape**

[Landscape for HIV rapid diagnostic tests for HIV self-testing](#), Semi-annual update - Dec 2016

- **Meetings with HIVST manufactures**

- To have information about product specifications, profile and commercialization plans

Joint WHO/UNAIDS consultation with diagnostic manufacturers, partner organizations and stakeholders, global forecasts of diagnostic demand for 2016 – 2021 30-31st march 2017



Efficient and fair market development

- Stimulating increased funding and supporting donor interest – UNITAID, GFATM, other international donors (CIFF, DFID...)
 - GF Briefing note: Operational research to improve implementation and uptake of HIV self-testing
 - UNITAID enabling grant to support new HIVST investments
- Promoting HIVST integration:
 - comprehensive SH service programmes
 - demand generation for PrEP and VMMC
- Post market surveillance: use and adapt existing systems



Keeping abreast of research and implementation

[HIVST.org](http://hivst.org/) –A clearing house of information on HIV self-testing to further collaboration between global public health stakeholders.

Includes more than 150 planned and ongoing studies

~500 visits per month.. And growing

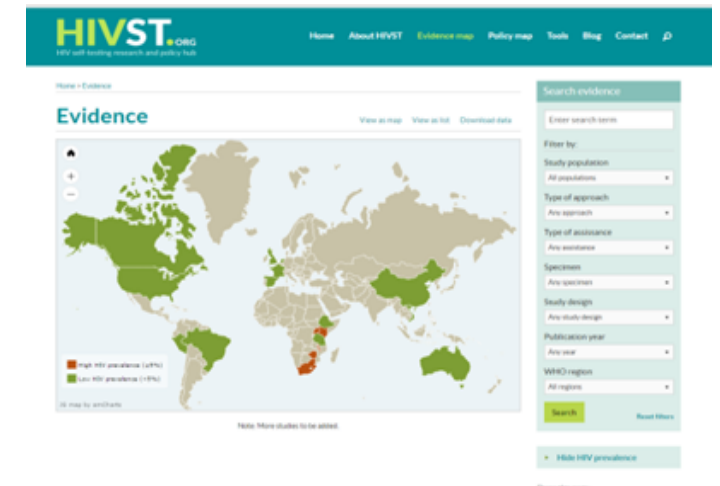
<http://hivst.org/>



The screenshot shows the HIVST.org homepage. At the top is a teal header with the HIVST.ORG logo and navigation links: Home, About HIVST, Evidence map, Policy map, Tools, Blog, and Contact. Below the header is a banner with the text: "A clearing house of information on HIV self-testing to further collaboration between global public health stakeholders. Find out more »". The main content area is divided into several sections: HIVST NEWS (featuring a story about Australia), EVIDENCE MAP (with a world map and a search button), POLICY MAP (with a world map and a search button), TOOLS (a directory of guidance), BLOG (opinion and insight), and TWEETS ABOUT HIVST (a tweet from UP Manila).



This screenshot shows the "Policy" section of the HIVST.org website. It features a world map with countries colored in blue and tan. To the right of the map is a search and filter panel. The search panel includes a text input for "Enter search terms", a "Search" button, and a "Reset filters" link. Below the search input are filters for "Legal situation" (All situations), "WHO region" (All regions), and a "Search" button. At the bottom of the panel are social media sharing icons for Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, and YouTube.



This screenshot shows the "Evidence" section of the HIVST.org website. It features a world map with countries colored in green and tan. To the right of the map is a search and filter panel. The search panel includes a text input for "Enter search terms", a "Search" button, and a "Reset filters" link. Below the search input are filters for "Study population" (All populations), "Type of approach" (All approaches), "Type of assistance" (All assistance), "Specimen" (All specimen), "Study design" (All study design), "Publication year" (All year), "WHO region" (All regions), and a "Search" button. At the bottom of the panel is a link to "View HIV prevalence".