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On behalf of the International Association of Providers of AIDS Care (IAPAC), the National Institute of Mental Health (NIMH), and the Postgraduate Institute for Medicine (PIM), I am pleased to advise you that your abstract submission - **No. 218, Development of Interventions' Evaluation Framework for Integrating Paediatric HIV Healthcare Services with other Reproductive Healthcare Services** - has been approved for Poster presentation at the 8th International Conference on HIV Treatment and Prevention Adherence, June 2-4, 2013, at The Eden Roc Renaissance in Miami.

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| **Abstract:** | **Introduction**

Infection with HIV has become a major paediatric health concern worldwide. 91% of an estimated 3.4 million children living with HIV at the end of 2011 came from sub-Saharan Africa. Most of these children acquire HIV from their HIV-infected mothers during pregnancy, birth or breastfeeding. About 230,000 of these children subsequently died that year of HIV-associated causes. The aim is to develop a sustainable evaluation framework of interventions and models for...
Description

HIV’s prevention-of-mother-to-child-transmission (PMTCT) represents one of the important interventions for programmes across the continuum of maternal, neonatal, and child health. Eliminating HIV infection in children and keeping mothers alive require implementing a comprehensive package featuring expanding community engagement in creating demand, and expanding community support services linked to health facilities at the primary level of care of interventions. This project identifies the nature and types of problems associated with accessibility, utilization and service delivery of paediatric HIV interventions and reproductive healthcare services in the selected health facilities. Community-Based Participatory Research approach and triangulation-based data collection methods would be adopted for sixty primary, twelve secondary, and four tertiary healthcare facilities selected from the six geopolitical zones of Nigeria.

Lessons Learned

With a sustainable evaluation framework of the interventions, the risk of HIV’s PMTCT becomes reduced to 2%. Identifying HIV-infected women before or during pregnancy is critical to providing optimal therapy to both infected women and their infants and to reducing perinatal transmission. Enrolling pregnant HIV-infected women, their HIV-exposed newborns, and infected infants, children, and adolescents into clinical trials offers the best means of determining safe and effective therapies.

Recommendations

Accessing antiretroviral therapy is still low in most countries. Integration with other health programmes is expediently the only way to make the HIV response efficient, effective, equitable, and sustainable.

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