

Women **WON'T** wait

End HIV & Violence Against Women. **NOW.**

Ten demands for addressing Violence against Women Women Won't Wait Campaign

1. We urge governments to commit to include/increase budgeted actions in the national legal and policy framework to prevent and eradicate gender based violence as part of the efforts made to respond to HIV.
2. We urge governments to commit to detect, register and respond to violence against women in all health care settings, especially in HIV and SRH services, with a comprehensive approach to all levels of attention in the health and legal and social sectors, ensuring effective complaint mechanisms and access to counseling and protection for the victims.
3. We demand Member States to implement gender and human rights perspectives in the healthcare protocols that ensure that all the needs for the diversity of women , including HIV+, are addressed and registered in the national data collection the intersection of GBV and HIV, and incorporating in the Epidemiological Surveillance system the information about infections by sexual violence.
4. We demand governments to include prevention and care continuum of HIV into the VAW protocols, ensuring access to HIV test for all women and girls suffering violence; as well as ensuring access to ARV in VAW shelters free of stigma and discrimination.
5. We urge governments to meaningfully include the participation of women women living with HIV, and the diversity of women's and youth lead organizations in the design, implementation and evaluation of all programs and polices related to SRHR, HIV and VAW.
6. We urge governments to guarantee access to reproductive rights of women with HIV, including access to the comprehensive package of sexual and reproductive health services free from coercive practices.
7. We urge governments to address all health consequences, including the physical, mental and sexual and reproductive consequences, of VAW&G by providing accessible health- care services that are responsive to trauma and include affordable, safe, effective and good-quality medicines, treatment of injuries and psychosocial and mental health, emergency contraception, safe abortion, post-exposure post-exposure prophylaxis for HIV infection, diagnosis and treatment for sexually transmitted infections; as well training for health professionals to effectively identify and treat women subjected to violence, as well as forensic examinations by appropriately trained professionals.
8. We demand governments to ensure national budget allocation to implement and reinforce the legal and political framework to address the causes and consequences of violence against women in health and its articulation with HIV.
9. We want governments pledging to eliminate gender inequalities and gender-based abuse and violence, increasing the capacity of women and adolescent girls to protect themselves from the risk of HIV infection, , as well as full access to comprehensive information and education, ensure that women can exercise their right to have control over, and decide freely and responsibly on, matters related to their sexuality, including their sexual and reproductive health, free of coercion, discrimination and violence, in order to increase their ability to protect themselves from HIV infection, and take all necessary measures to create an enabling environment for the empowerment of women and to strengthen their economic independence.
10. We demand governments to agree on implementing specific policies to address intimate partner violence in order to decrease vulnerability to HIV infection.

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