Resolution n° 8

Introduction of point-of-care Early Infant Diagnosis in decentralized settings: creating a market for affordable, effective, and equitable HIV testing of exposed infants

Taking into account the alignment of this proposal with UNITAID’s Strategic Objectives 1 and 2 on increased access to diagnostics and HIV paediatric medicines, together with the outcome of the PRC review of 11-12 November 2014, the Board of UNITAID conditionally approves, subject to the availability of funds and the operational plan, for the Executive Director to commit up to USD 63,082,069 for the project Introduction of point-of-care Early Infant Diagnosis in decentralized settings: creating a market for affordable, effective, and equitable HIV testing of exposed infants.

Description: Introduction of POC EID technology in EGPAF-supported sites in 9 countries generating evidence to enable expanded use and increased access to HIV testing for exposed infants through the most optimal model to facilitate linkage to care.

Lead organization(s): Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation

Target countries: Cameroon, Côte d’Ivoire, Kenya, Lesotho, Mozambique, Rwanda, Swaziland, Zambia, Zimbabwe

Project duration: up to 4 years

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