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Millions of children have been orphaned and made vulnerable because of HIV/AIDS. Yet, it is only in recent years that a concerted effort has been launched, in some of the hardest hit countries, to address the needs of these children. Very few proposals to the Global Fund have focussed on children affected by HIV/AIDS, particularly in the early rounds of funding. The Global Fund has the potential to be a major funder in this area.

The purposes of "The Aidspan Guide to Developing Global Fund Proposals to Benefit Children Affected by HIV/AIDS" are to encourage and facilitate more proposals to the Global Fund benefiting children; and to help countries not yet ready to submit proposals benefiting children to understand what is needed to get to the point where they are ready to submit such proposals.

The primary target audiences of the Guide are Country Coordinating Mechanisms (CCMs) and institutions supporting CCMs; national AIDS committees; and national committees, task forces and organisations working on issues concerning children affected by HIV/AIDS – in countries where some specific strategic

planning in this area has already occurred. Secondary target audiences include the same types of organization in countries where specific strategic planning in this area has not yet begun or is just getting underway.

The main sections in the Guide are as follows:

Chapter 1: Introduction and Background

- Purpose of this Guide
- How this Guide was Put Together
- Notes on Terminology
- How to Use this Guide
- Children and HIV/AIDS
- Responses to the Crisis of Children Affected by HIV/AIDS and Other Orphans and Vulnerable Children
- Services Currently Being Provided to Orphans and Other Vulnerable Children
- Role of the Global Fund in Addressing the Needs of Children Affected by HIV/AIDS

Chapter 2: Description of the Global Fund

- Overview
- Structure of the Global Fund
- Country Coordinating Mechanisms (CCMs)
- Proposals from Sources Other than CCMs
- The Proposal Development Process
- The Proposal Review Process
- What Kind of Programs Will the Global Fund Support
- Will the Global Fund Be Able to Fund Round 6?

Chapter 3: National Policies and Plans Concerning Orphans and Other Vulnerable Children

Chapter 4: Global Fund-Approved Proposals Related to Orphans and Other Vulnerable Children

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Chapter 5: Developing and Promoting Proposals Benefiting Children Affected by HIV/AIDS

- Guidance for CCMs Concerning How to Go About Including Children-Related Content in Proposals
- Guidance for OVC-Related Organisations Concerning How to Promote the Inclusion of Children-Related Content in CCM Proposals
- Guidance for OVC-Related Organisations Concerning How to Contribute to the Development of Proposals
- Including OVC Content in Proposals from Sources Other Than CCMs

Chapter 6: Resources

- OVC-Related Reports
- OVC-Related Websites
- Global Fund Documents

• Aidspan Documents

Appendix I: Summary Information on the OVC National Plans of Action

Appendix II: Summary Information on Approved Global Fund Proposals with OVC-Related Content

In the appendices, the Guide contains a summary table for each of the OVC National Plans of Action developed in 16 sub-Saharan African countries; and for each of the 22 proposals approved by the Global Fund in Rounds 1-5 that contained activities specifically targeting children.

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