

UNAIDS Issues Guidance Tool on Including CSS in Round 10 Proposals

UNAIDS has released a guidance tool on how to include community systems strengthening activities in Global Fund proposals. "Supporting community based responses to AIDS, TB and malaria" is available at http://data.unaids.org/pub/BaseDocument/2010/201007_unaidscss_en.pdf.

The guidance tool is intended to supplement the Global Fund's "Community Systems Strengthening Framework" document released in May 2010 (see "Global Fund Releases Comprehensive CSS Framework" in GFO 126).

The guidance covers, among other things, how to ensure strong community participation in the proposal development process, how and when to include CSS activities in Global Fund proposals, and how to advocate to the CCM and other partners to promote the inclusion of such activities. As well, the guidelines list the sections of the Round 10 proposal where CSS activities should be highlighted.

UNAIDS says that the guidance tool was prepared "rapidly" in order to make it available for Round 10, and that it will be updated with more comprehensive information for use in future rounds.

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