

## INTRODUCTION

MSMGF proudly looks back on 9 years of working at the intersection of policy, capacity building, and research in the global effort to create the conditions that reduce disparities faced by key populations in the prevention and treatment of HIV.

Until now, MSMGF has communicated its work to and solicited partnerships from a largely public health-focused audience. The sector, however, is changing. As the HIV response becomes more bio-medicalized, resources become scarcer, and the dynamics of global poverty shift, a broader and more diverse coalition is required.

Starting with this report, MSMGF is making a commitment to an inclusiveness that transcends disciplines and makes clear that HIV is much more than an issue for public health professionals. HIV among gay and bisexual men, men who have sex with men and transgender people reveals deeply embedded social inequity and injustice. Later in the year, MSMGF will embark on a strategic planning process

that will guide our efforts in extending this commitment to all aspects of our organization.

The work of MSMGF and its partners worldwide requires the perspectives and efforts of activists, community members, service providers, policymakers, medical professionals, philanthropists, educators, and all others who are active in one way or another in the global quest for human rights. This report offers an overview of the diversity of our activities and impact in 2014. Please take a look at the ways MSMGF has engaged a growing coalition in the work toward increasing access and ending disparities, and contact the organization if you see ways in which you might contribute to this collective effort.

## GLOBAL ENGAGEMENT

### 2014 MSMGF PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Ensuring Normative Guidance For HIV Programs Worldwide
- Strengthening Our Governance
- Building Strong Networks
- Honoring Our Heroes
- Sharing Best Practices
- Bridging The Gaps (BTG)
- Engaging The Global Fund
- “Speaking Out” In More Places Around the World
- Advancing Community Research
- Promoting Access and Accountability
- Supporting Our Allies
- Putting Normative Guidance to Work
- Working Globally; Acting Locally
- Creating Knowledge
- Lobbying at the Highest Level

## YEAR IN NUMBERS

### 2014 MSMGF PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

**5871** Research respondents reached

**8** Regional partnering MSM networks

African Men for Sexual Health and Rights (AMShER), the Asian Pacific Coalition on Male Sexual Health (APCOM), the Association for Integral Health and Citizenship in Latin America and the Caribbean, (ASICAL), the Eurasian Coalition on Male Health (ECOM) the Caribbean Vulnerable Communities Coalition (CVC), the South Caucasus Network on HIV (SCN), the African Black Diaspora Global Network (ABDGN), and MENA-based M-Coalition.

**21** Number of community-based organizations with which MSMGF has a sustained partnership

Cambodia: Rainbow Advocacy Team, ARV User Association, Paper Flower  
 Cameroon: Affirmative Action  
 Costa Rica: CIPAC  
 Cote d'Ivoire: Alternative CI  
 Ecuador: Kimirina, Equidad  
 El Salvador: ASPIDH Arcolris Trans, Esmules  
 Ghana: Center for Popular Education and Human Rights Ghana  
 Honduras: Asociacion Kukulcan  
 Kenya: Ishtar, PEMA, LVCT  
 Lebanon: AFE/M-Coalition  
 Morocco: ALCS  
 Nigeria: Initiative for Advancement of Humanity  
 Panama: AHMNP  
 Tunisia: ATL  
 Zimbabwe: Gays and Lesbians of Zimbabwe

**10,418** MSM & transgender people served by Partner Organizations

**9** Webinars

**105,577** Online Reach

**7** Direct advocacy actions

**33\*** Publications and presentations\* including 11 in scholarly peer-reviewed journals

**503** People trained, across 27 countries in which TA was provided

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|------------------|---------------|
| 1. Algeria       | 16. Lebanon   |
| 2. Burkina Faso  | 17. Mali      |
| 3. Cambodia      | 18. Morocco   |
| 4. Cameroon      | 19. Nicaragua |
| 5. Costa Rica    | 20. Nigeria   |
| 6. Cote d'Ivoire | 21. Palestine |
| 7. Ecuador       | 22. Senegal   |
| 8. Egypt         | 23. Sudan     |
| 9. El Salvador   | 24. Togo      |
| 10. Ghana        | 25. Tunisia   |
| 11. Guatemala    | 26. Yemen     |
| 12. Honduras     | 27. Zimbabwe  |
| 13. Iraq         |               |
| 14. Jordan       |               |
| 15. Kenya        |               |

## FEATURED PARTNER

### MSMGF LOCAL PARTNER SPOTLIGHT: GAYS AND LESBIANS OF ZIMBABWE (GALZ)



Key to MSMGF's efforts to promote access to health education and care is our ability to work directly with on-the-ground service organizations and support their work in client services and advocacy. Our work with one of these partners in 2014 highlights MSMGF's approach to supporting local efforts to remove the barriers that stand between MSM and HIV prevention services and care.

Gays and Lesbians of Zimbabwe (GALZ) is Zimbabwe's only association focused specifically on the needs and interests of the country's lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and intersex (LGBTI) community. In the context of intermittent violence and surprise government raids that may shut down their office for days or weeks, the association delivers programs on a range of issues, including gender inclusion, psychosocial support, and skill development.

GALZ is also active in health and health care. Acutely aware of how anti-LGBTI sentiment limits access to HIV prevention efforts GALZ led an effort to deliver the MSMGF global training curriculum to local health care providers in June 2014. With support from the MSMGF and Johns Hopkins University, GALZ trained 30 staff members from Zimbabwean health institutions, international NGOs, human rights organizations, and government bodies on the unique sexual health needs of MSM. An evaluation of the two-day training showed that participants' overall knowledge of MSM and MSM-related health increased significantly and that their attitudes toward homosexuality improved dramatically

“The greatest thing I learned is acceptance, to know that people are different. Regardless of someone's sexual orientation, you are supposed to treat them according to the oath you take when you finish medical school. This was very empowering and I am thankful for that.”—  
Physician and participant in GALZ 2-day training

## PROGRAM PROFILE

### SPEAKING OUT: MSMGF'S GLOBAL ADVOCACY AND EMPOWERMENT INITIATIVE

MSMGF launched Speaking Out in 2010 as a way to support the efforts of activists and grassroots organizations working to at once empower MSM individually and advocate for policies that promote access to HIV education, prevention, and care.

Speaking Out identifies and maps injustices against MSM, supports the development of locally generated initiatives to address the issues, and empowers MSM and transgender communities through organizing and leadership development activities.

The activities supported by MSMGF's Speaking Out Initiative are having measurable impact at the local and national levels:

- Less violence toward MSM and discrimination against transgender people,
- Improvements in the media representation of MSM and transgender people, and
- Increases in access to HIV-related services

Here's what some of Speaking Out's global participants are doing...

*There may be "good" services from the Ministry of Health and civil society groups, but we need more. Making all people aware of what the government is offering [is what is needed] to be most effective – Alfredo Ocampo Ortega, Activist, Nicaragua*

*Stigma and rejection from family and society limit options for MSM and transgender people. Many resort to crime and sex work. Our organization is doing advocacy with the government, AIDS Prevention Committee, and Ho Chi Minh Lawyers Group in support of a legal framework to support MSM called the Law of HIV/AIDS Prevention and Intervention for MSM – Le Thanh, G-Link, Vietnam*



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