



Gender Assessments: Moving to gender responsive and transformative approaches

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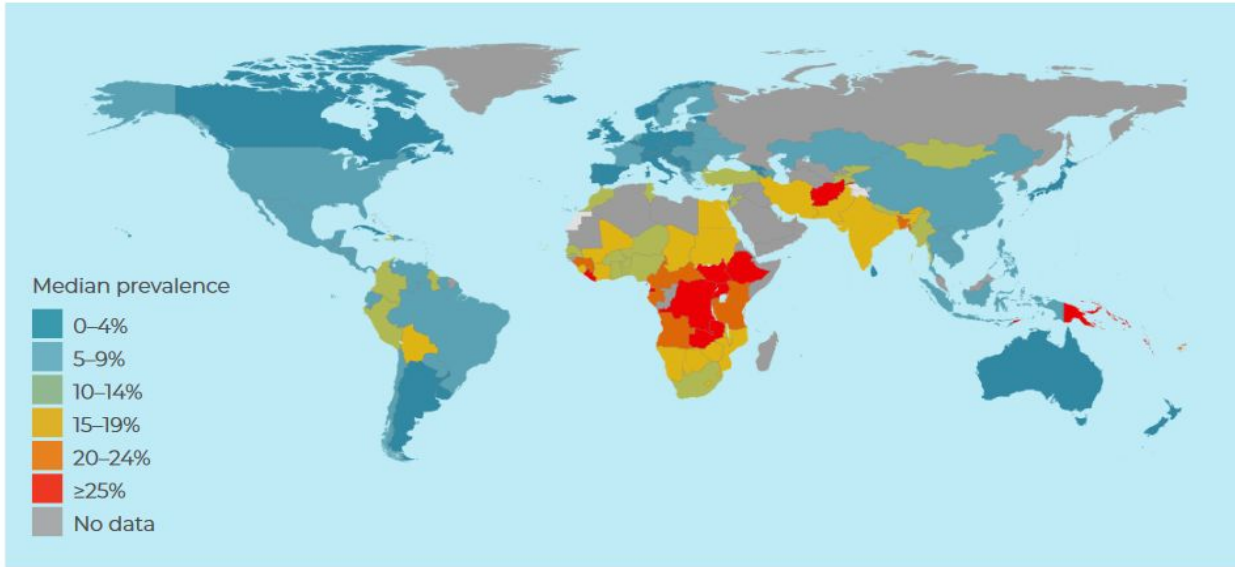
Context: Quick reminders!

- Launched in 2010 by UNAIDS to better respond to the needs and uphold the rights of women and girls within HIV responses (country-level implementation).
- We need: evidence-informed planning and budgeting for gender-transformative HIV responses
- GA are comprehensive initiatives for strategic planning processes, to increase the capacity of civil society, including women's organizations, and to leverage political commitment
- GA enable countries to better understand how gender inequality shapes their HIV response, which of the gender-related barriers hinder access to HIV services, and how well national HIV responses are addressing this inequality to meet the needs of women and girls especially those from key and vulnerable populations

Women advocates can leverage the gender assessments to influence changes during the review of national strategic plans (NSP) and they can support advocacy to inform funding requests submitted to the Global Fund

To not forget: Gender-based violence in the world

Figure 4.2. Map of prevalence estimates of past 12 months physical and/or sexual intimate partner violence (IPV) among ever-married/partnered women aged 15–49 years, 2018

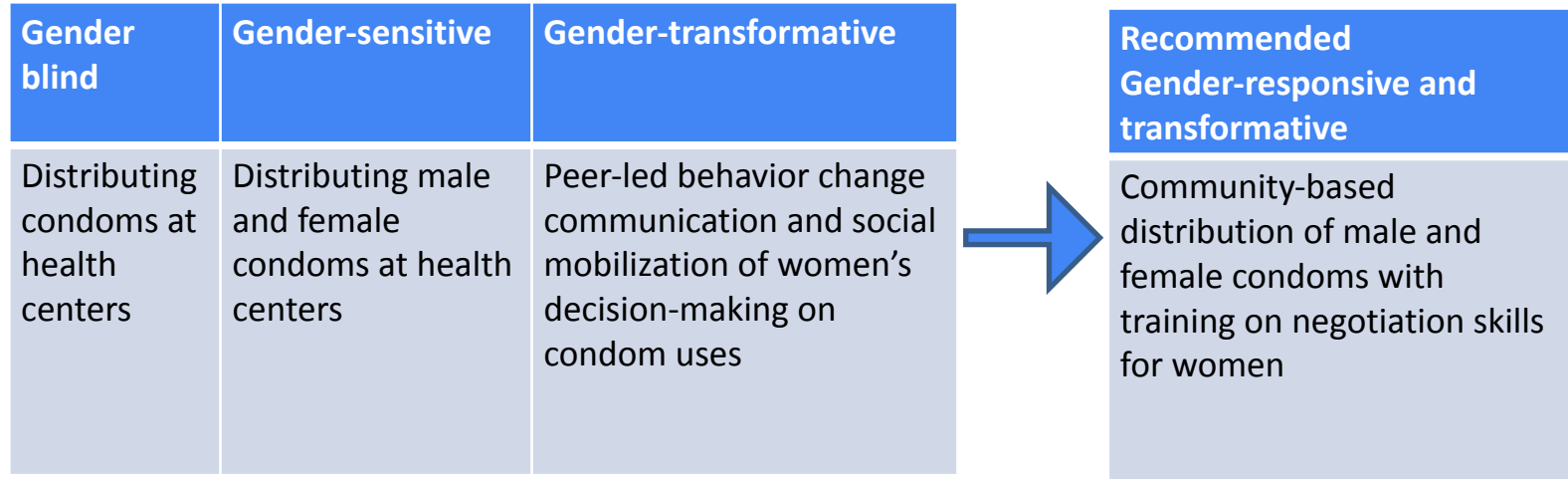


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On average, there were as many as 852 million women who were 15 years of age or older in 2018. (nearly 1 in 3 women) have experienced one or both forms of violence at least once in their lifetime. These estimates confirm that intimate partner physical and sexual violence and non-partner sexual violence remain pervasive in the lives of women and adolescent girls around the world

(WHO, 2018)

What we want to achieve! Some examples



Seeks to redefine and transform gender norms and relations to redress existing inequalities to promote shared power, the control of resources, decision-making and support for women's empowerment

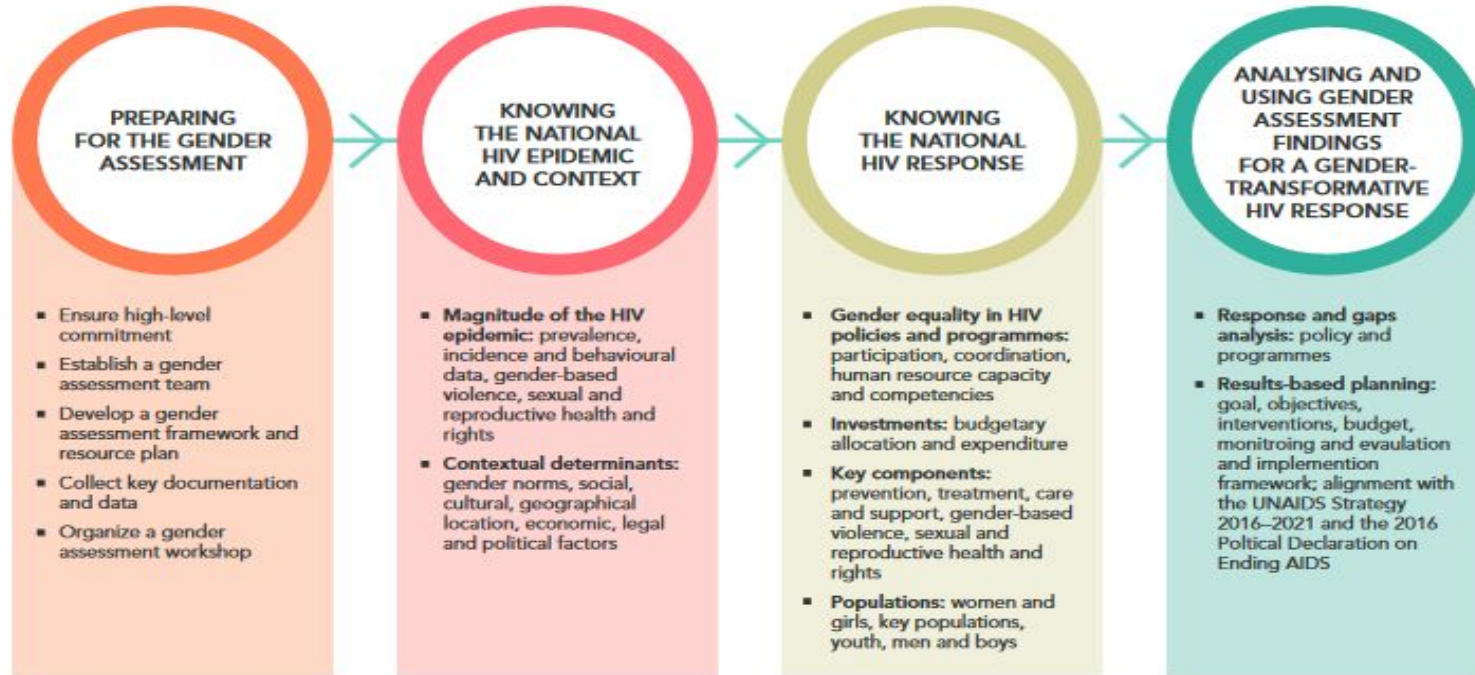
What do we need? The process



The gender assessment process requires:

- Preparation for the GA
- Knowledge of your HIV and TB epidemics and country contexts
- Identification of your country's HIV and TB responses
- Analysis and use of GA findings for gender responsive and transformative HIV and TB responses
- Development of costed national action plans to mitigate and overcome identified gender-related barriers.

Gender assessment has four stages



Sources: UNAIDS.

Tip! Don't forget

The SMART way to select the objectives and indicators of gender-responsive island transformative interventions.

The objectives should meet the following criteria: specific, measurable, achievable, realistic and time-bound (SMART).

After the Gender Assessment

- Lobby for/ support/ verify inclusion of the Gender Assessment recommended interventions in Global Fund Concept Notes and their budgets
- Use the Gender Assessment report to mobilize additional financial resources, if they were not included in the GF.
- Help to diffuse the Gender Assessment report (or Summary Table of Interventions) to partners and stakeholders active in HIV/TB programmes to create awareness and to rally greater support for the implementation of the recommended HIV/TB interventions



We can do the following to create some momentum

- Advocate for your country to conduct a GA
- Contact UNAIDS in your country, the Stop TB Partnership or RMB Malaria to find out more about what is happening in your country and request to partner with them
- Make use of national networks and seize opportunities to share information about what is happening around gender assessments.
- Engage with your governments, with champions, e.g: First Ladies
- Request workshops to strengthen national plans and write a statement to call for the gender assessment to happen.
- If your country has done a GA: review your countries funding requests to the Global Fund and assess how many of the recommendations are being supported in there.
- Include the recommendations of the Gender Assessment in your advocacy and accountability strategies.

Join us!

W4GF's strength is rooted in building and sustaining connections among women in all of their diversity, and building an effective global movement.

We are 250 W4GF advocates in 56 countries engaged at the country level, participating in implementation and holding countries accountable for their actions.



Thanks, Gracias, Merci, Obrigada

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