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Dear PZAT Team

"Welcome to 2022! Last year was quite a tough one especially with COVID-19, with some of us losing loved ones but we managed to pull through. We thank everyone at PZAT for persevering through this tough season and pulling together to attain our 2021 goals and objectives towards our vision. As we get into 2022, I am hopeful for a great year with its set of challenges. Still, I believe that the PZAT team is more determined and geared up for the challenges. We approach 2022 with a solution-oriented mentality to tackle issues as they come as we strive for better health and more ways to end HIV. We look forward to 2022 with expectation. We are ready!"

WHAT TO EXPECT THIS 1ST QUARTER

1. Build organizational capacity to diversity and expand into broader health and development areas:

1.1 Team building and strategic planning

1.2 Conducting health needs assessment for mapping health service priorities in current Pangaea districts

2. Strengthen Pangaea's capacity to form strong and sustainable alliances/partnerships:

2.1 Participating in local, regional and global networking platforms

3. Create knowledge management portfolio that will drive innovation:

3.1 Building successful learning hubs ie MERL Hub, Research Hub and SRH Hub

PZAT IS MAKING A DIFFERENCE IN THE SOCIETY THROUGH THE CURRENT PROJECTS:

Coalition to Accelerate and Support HIV Prevention Research (CASPR)

The CASPR project is aimed at accelerating biomedical HIV prevention research, toward the goal of HIV epidemic control. It is a research movement focused on advocacy for biomedical HIV interventions in the pipeline from research to rollout, and brings together experienced partners committed to a collaborative movement for responsive HIV prevention research.

Maximizing Options to Advance Informed Choices for HIV Prevention (MOSAIC)

This project aims to expedite and sustain access to anti-retroviral based HIV prevention strategies. Collaborating with the Ministry of Health and Child Care and other partners, it seeks to develop policy to introduce and roll-out PrEP products as part of the combination HIV prevention. It seeks to implement user-centered research and research translation efforts to identify, understand and remove barriers to new product introduction, access and use. MOSAIC coordinates and provides technical assistance to global, national and subnational stakeholders to expedite product launch and strengthen the capacity of a wide range of local partners to perform essential functions that support the introduction of HIV prevention products.

Zimbabwe Technical Assistance, Training and Education Center for Health (Zim-TTECH)

The project works in collaboration with Ministry of Health and Child Care. PZAT is to capacitate public health facilities in Harare to provide comprehensive, quality KP-friendly HIV prevention, care, treatment and support services. It aims to deliver quality KP services through facilitating decentralization of services and implementation of differentiated service delivery models, bridging gaps in commodities such as STI and PrEP medicines and developing tools to ensure effective programme monitoring. PZAT is implementing the Determined, Resilient, Empowered, AIDS-Free, Mentored and Safe (DREAMS) program in Matabeleland North's four districts namely: Bubi, Lupane, Nkayi and Tsholotsho. Specifically, PZAT is responsible for delivering PrEP to AGYW, identification and enrollment of young women selling sex (YWSS) for the DREAMS primary and secondary packages in the wards that the DREAMS project is operating in, as well as identifying vulnerable AGYW and linking them to various partners for need based services.

Syphilis Self- Testing (SST)

It is a study that seeks to determine the effectiveness and cost-effectiveness of a community based syphilis self-testing intervention to increase syphilis diagnosis and treatment among MSMs. It aims to establish the effectiveness of intervention to improve sexual behaviours, social outcomes, self-testing, and HIV test uptake (secondary outcomes).

Coalition to Build Momentum Power Activism in Southern Africa (COMPASS)

PZAT is the country and regional Monitoring, Evaluation, Results and Learning (MERL) hub for the COMPASS Africa Project. This is an innovative, data-informed and audacious North-South collaboration of civil society organizations working in the global North and in East and Southern Africa. The project aims to gather, analyze and use evidence and data to shape strategic activist and advocacy campaigns focused on barriers to a comprehensive, evidence-based HIV/AIDS response.

Social Media Messaging -COVID (SMM- COVID)

It is a study that aims to understand the experience of adolescents and young people living with HIV (AYPLH) and community adolescents treatment supporters (CATS) in the context of and response to COVID-19 particularly the adaptation in the peer support program to virtually support engagement in care, retention in care and HIV treatment adherence

Wild4Life

This project focuses on establishing the basic blocks of a health system. Identifies and fills gaps in local health systems to have an efficient and resilient health system for those who need it the most. It is a comprehensive, integrated set of five core facility- and community-based interventions that address health system weaknesses and inequities in rural communities—the hardest-to-reach and most vulnerable populations.

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