

Achievement of national Universal Access in Kosovo

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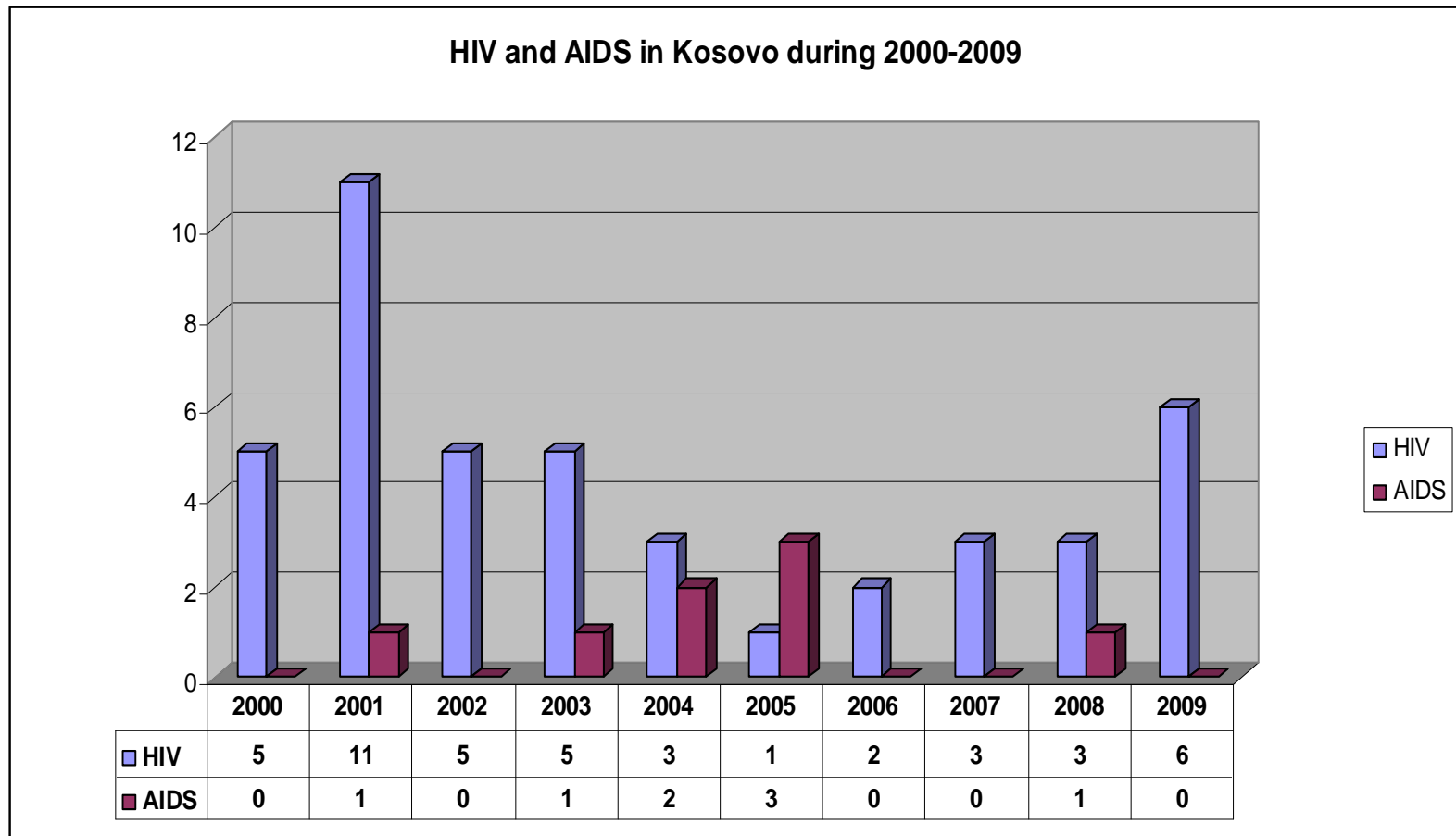
Presentation overview

- Epidemiological situation
- UA targets
- Limitations of reported data
- Next steps

Epidemiological situation

- **First HIV/AIDS case 1986**
- **Kosovo is grouped among low HIV/AIDS prevalence countries, with a prevalence among higher risk of the HIV exposure at <1 per cent.**
- **Since 1986 all blood donors are tested for HIV, Syphilis as well as Hepatitis B and C.**
- **Between 1986-2009, 80 cases of HIV/AIDS were reported (six cases during 2009), of those 34 were registered AIDS cases. As to date 28 people have died from AIDS.**

Epidemiological situation



Epidemiologic situation

- **MARP Size-estimate**
 - **IDU- 3000, half reside in Prishtina**
 - **Sex workers 1500 – 3000**
 - **MSM N/A**
 - **Prisoners 1600**
- **VCCT available in 5 stationary VCCT centers (1 UN compound, 1 tertiary, one private, 2 NGOs)**
- **ART is available free of charge for all HIV patients as of 2009, 8 patients are on the ART; all of adults and children are alive 12 months after the initiation of treatment (2009).**

UA Targets Overview

1. Amount of national funds spent by Government for HIV/AIDS

- Baseline (2005): 0.1% of total Kosova Budget.
- Status (2009): 0.06% of total Kosova Budget.
- Target (2010): 0.06% of total Kosova Budget.

2: Percentage of young people (15-24) who correctly identify ways of preventing the sexual transmission of HIV and who reject major misconceptions about HIV transmission

- Baseline (2008): 18%
- Status (2009): N/A
- Target (2010): 48% (+30%)

3. Percentage of young people (15-24) reporting the consistent use of condom with non-regular sexual partners in the last 12 months (*recommended indicator*)

- Baseline (2008): 54%
- Status (2009): N/A
- Target (2010): 74% (+20%)

4. Percentage of CSW reporting the use of a condom with their clients in the last month (*core indicator*)

- Baseline (2006): 15%
- Status (2009): N/A
- Target (2010): 35% (+20%)

5. Percentage of MSM reporting the use of a condom during last anal sex with a male partner in the last 6 months (*core indicator*)

- Baseline (2006): 56%
- Status (2009): N/A
- Target (2010): 76% (+20%)

6. Percentage of IDU's who have adopted behaviours that reduce transmission of HIV, i.e. who avoid using non-sterile injecting equipment and use condoms, in the last month
(*core indicator*)

- Baseline : 52 % avoid using non-sterile injecting equipment
- 38 % of IDU use consistently condom last month
- Status (2009): N/A
- Target (2010): 72 % avoid using non-sterile injecting equipment (+20)
- 48 % of IDU use consistently condom last month(+10)

- Note: Data reported from last BBS 2006

7. People who receive HIV testing and counselling (*core indicator*)

- Baseline: 430
- Status (2009): N/A
- Target (2010): 750 - 800 per year,

8. Percentage of persons HIV infected receiving a complete course of ARV combination therapy (*core indicator*)

- Baseline: (first case who receive treatment in 2005)
- Status (2009): 72.7% (8/11)
- Target (2010): 100%

9. Percentage of most-at-risk groups who are HIV infected (*core indicator*)

- Status (2009): <1%
- Target (2010): <5%

Limitations of reported data

- Most of the data baseline set in 2008 through KAPB on HIV/AIDS among young people in Kosovo and BBS data 2006
- Some planned indicators by NAC are not available;
- Next UA report will reflect trends towards targets

Next steps

- Select M&E officer in MoH
- Re-functionalize the National AIDS Committee
- Conduct the BBS
- Ensure sustainable reporting system for the UA indicators