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“Prevention with Positives: Clinician Training” HIV Prevention for People Living with HIV/AIDS: Tools for Health Care Providers in HIV Care and Treatment Settings MASL 309060

Background: HIV prevention efforts have primarily focused on HIV-negative individuals; however, a recent paradigm shift has focused greater attention on prevention among HIV-positive individuals. Changes in the risk behaviors of HIV-infected individuals are likely to have larger effects on the spread of HIV than comparable changes in the risk behaviors of HIV-negative individuals. These prevention efforts with HIV-positive persons aim to prevent the spread of HIV to sex partners and infants born to HIV-infected mothers, as well as to protect the health of infected individuals. Helping people living with HIV adopt safer behaviors is an important part of a comprehensive HIV prevention approach.

Program Scope:

During the three day training, trainers review the importance of prevention for HIV-infected individuals and describe the components of a comprehensive prevention strategy for people living with HIV/AIDS. In order to help providers acquire the skills and confidence to implement the intervention, portions of the training are spent practicing the provider-patient interaction through role-playing.

Course Duration: Three days, **Class Size:** Maximum class size is 40, classroom setting;

How offered: The program is conducted in the host country by a Mobile Education Team;

Estimated Cost:

Intended International Audience:

This training is for health care providers who provide routine care and treatment to HIV-positive patients and who can deliver both important preventive health information and medical care, such as family planning counseling and services. It is also intended for health care providers who are involved in the ongoing care and management of HIV-positive patients. This includes doctors, medical officers, clinical officers, nurses, counselors, social workers, and other clinical staff as appropriate.

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