

Current Initiatives

Medicus Mundi Catalunya

Given the high occurrence of AIDS in all districts in Mozambique, the role of Primary Health Care supports the fight against the disease. Amongst other activities, the organization collaborates in the training of health staff and gives advice to people who live with AIDS.

There are two specific projects in Gaza, which include, on the one hand, equipment to advise and carry out the voluntary HIV/AIDS test; and on the other, a project alongside **Farmacéuticos Mundi** to promote home care for AIDS patients from the Carmelo Hospital, which treats AIDS and tuberculosis patients.

Web Economic Forum Global Health Initiative

The Global Health Initiative intends to engage companies, development NGOs and the public sector in partnerships to fight HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria. The companies' contribution is in the form of resources, whereas governments supply their capacities and experience in implementation.

An example of this initiative is the association between the pharmaceutical company Pfizer and the government of South Africa in 2000, whereby Diflucan® was distributed free of charge to advanced AIDS patients. Whereas Pfizer donated the drug with no limit of time and money and trained both patients and health professionals, the South African government allowed the drug to enter the country with no extra charges and enabled the programme to develop correctly.

Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS)

The Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS) is intended to provide a global response to the pandemic, reverse the spread of HIV, assist people who already live with the virus and reduce the vulnerability of people and communities to HIV and its impact. In the case of Ethiopia, UNAIDS supported the government in consolidating a network of forums in which the government, development NGOs, donors and people who live with AIDS, amongst others, could intervene, as well as providing technical and financial assistance to the government for national coordination policies.

International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (IAVI)

IAVI is a not-for-profit scientific organization whose mission is to ensure the development of safe, effective, accessible HIV vaccines for use throughout the world for people who need them urgently. This Initiative has invested 100 million dollars to date on research and development of vaccines and has become the most important programme in new AIDS vaccine discovery.

IAVI's main financial supporters are foundations, governments, the European Union and the World Bank.