



ELIZABETH GLASER
PEDIATRIC AIDS
FOUNDATION



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Tanzania

The Foundation's International Programs

WORKING TO ELIMINATE HIV AND AIDS

IN CHILDREN, WOMEN, AND FAMILIES

ABOUT THE TANZANIA PROGRAM

The Foundation began supporting efforts to prevent, care for, and treat pediatric HIV and AIDS in Tanzania in 2003. Working with the Tanzania Ministry of Health and Social Welfare (MOHSW), the Foundation is implementing critical programmatic, research, and advocacy initiatives aimed at eliminating HIV infections in children and supporting HIV-positive children, mothers, and families. The Foundation partners directly with individual districts and faith-based organizations to increase access to comprehensive, high-quality, well-integrated HIV prevention, care, and treatment services across Tanzania.

HIV AND AIDS IN TANZANIA

Approximately 1.4 million people are living with HIV in Tanzania. Of those, 160,000 are children under the age of 15 (UNAIDS, *Report on the Global AIDS Epidemic 2010*).



Photo: Diane Bowe

KEY PROGRAM ACCOMPLISHMENTS

As of March 31, 2011, Foundation-supported programs in Tanzania had

- provided nearly 1.7 million women with services to prevent the transmission of HIV to their babies;
- Enrolled more than 156,000 individuals in HIV care and support programs, including nearly 14,000 children under the age of 15; and
- Started nearly 79,00 HIV-positive individuals on lifesaving treatment, including more than 7,000 children under the age of 15.



WHERE WE WORK

As of March 31, 2011, the Foundation was supporting 1,122 sites throughout six regions in Tanzania: Shinyanga, Arusha, Kilimanjaro, Tabora, Mtwara, and Lindi. Of these, 1,094 sites provide prevention of mother-to-child transmission of HIV (PMTCT) services and 165 provide care and treatment (C&T) services.

STORY OF HOPE

Tatu, age 35

“My name is Tatu, and I am a nurse in Tanzania. I am not sure when I contracted HIV, but after I became pregnant in 2004, I was given a blood test and discovered that I was HIV-positive. I was shocked and scared after learning my status, but the counselors at a prevention of mother-to-child transmission clinic supported by the Foundation gave me hope. They told me there were things I could do to prevent my baby from contracting HIV. I took medicine during my pregnancy, and my daughter, Faith, received medicine following her birth. Today Faith is a happy, healthy, HIV-negative five-year-old—living proof of the power of prevention.”

WHO WE ARE

The Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation is a global leader in the fight to eliminate pediatric HIV and AIDS. In 17 countries and at more than 5,500 sites around the world, we work to implement HIV prevention, care, and treatment services; advance innovative research; and advocate for the best public policies for women, children, and families worldwide.

OUR STORY

In 1981, Elizabeth Glaser contracted HIV through a blood transfusion. Unaware that she was infected, she passed the virus on to her daughter, Ariel, and her son, Jake. After losing Ariel to AIDS-related illness in 1988, Elizabeth and her two best friends, Susie Zeegen and Susan DeLaurentis, created a foundation dedicated to bringing hope to families affected by HIV and AIDS. Elizabeth fought for increased pediatric HIV research and funding until her death in 1994, and today the foundation that bears her name continues her work. Thanks to the movement Elizabeth started, we now have the science and medicines to make the elimination of pediatric AIDS a reality, and Elizabeth's son, Jake, is a healthy young adult.



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