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**Elizabeth Glaser  
Pediatric AIDS  
Foundation**

## THE DELIVERING TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PROJECT

Since 2000, the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF) has supported expanded access to comprehensive HIV prevention, care and treatment services in regions of the world deeply affected by HIV and AIDS. Our dedicated staff support activities and close partnership with governments, ministries of health, and local organizations in 19 countries to halt the spread of the virus and to ensure those living with HIV receive the care and support they need to live long and healthy lives.

The U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) put countries most affected by the HIV/AIDS epidemic on a trajectory to transition HIV/AIDS program ownership to local governments from international health organizations. To build local capacity and sustain gains of national and international HIV/AIDS programs, EGPAF launched the Delivering Technical Assistance (DELTA) project in 2013 with funding support from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Technical assistance provided through this global, five-year project will optimize the impact of PEPFAR and Global Fund-supported programs to ultimately achieve an AIDS-free generation.

### How we work

The purpose of DELTA is to provide targeted and cost-effective technical assistance and program implementation expertise in prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT), and pediatric and adult HIV care and treatment service programs in high-HIV prevalence settings. EGPAF employs a technical team of subject matter and field experts to meet the needs of each local context.

### DELTA by the numbers



Designed 38 assignments, implemented in 10 countries in sub-Saharan Africa



Obligated budget of \$5,990,000 for PY4 and a total budget to date of more than \$19,700,000



Developed 16 curricula and training materials on topics such as early infant HIV diagnosis (EID), PMTCT, revised treatment guidelines, and pediatric HIV clinical management



Created 3 different national-level databases to enhance HIV care and treatment retention monitoring, early infant HIV testing and diagnosis, and pediatric HIV testing and counseling

## Our work

Since 2013, DELTA has grown from six initial assignments in four countries to more than 30 assignments across 11 countries. Initial successes include, the establishment of four pediatric centers of excellence in Cameroon, which allow health workers in public settings to gain knowledge and skills in testing and treating children exposed to or infected with HIV; pioneering the Extension for Community Healthcare Outcomes (ECHO), which gives health workers in Namibia opportunities to build their skills in HIV management through a tele-mentoring model; supporting the launch of differentiated service delivery models in Uganda to accommodate full implementation of the 2015 World Health Organization HIV treatment guidelines recommending greater access to antiretroviral medications among all infected with HIV; implementation of a more accurate and real-time approach to health data collection and monitoring (through implementation of a data dashboard) in both Uganda and Tanzania; and several successful trainings on EID for health workers to more efficiently test and link infected children to treatment in Malawi, Lesotho, and Uganda.

In our upcoming project year, DELTA will expand to Nigeria, in addition to our continuing work in presence countries. We have three new projects, which will include focus on operations research around HIV-exposed infant health outcomes and expansion of community health initiatives, starting in 2017.

## Where we work

