



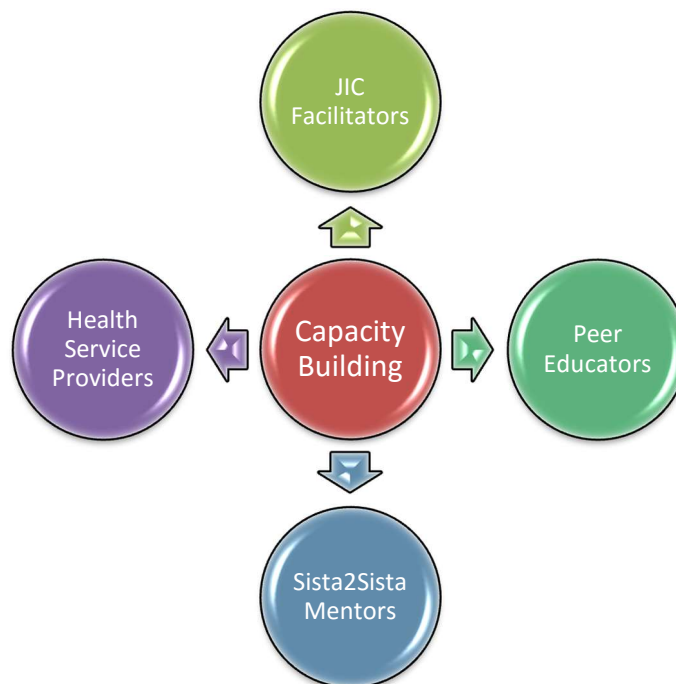
Family AIDS Caring Trust

Project: IMP 129

**Title: Strengthening HIV & SRHR
Service Uptake by Youths in
Zimbabwe**

1. Promotion of SRH Service Uptake

SRH information continues to change hence the need to strengthen capacity of volunteers to keep them abreast. The following project volunteers attended refresher training in SRH in the two Provinces. Emphasis was on an updating volunteers on new trends in HIV including the 90 90 90 strategy, HIV Self-Testing, Test and Treat for HIV, new family planning method which is Post-Partum Intra Uterine Contraceptive Device (PPIUCD)



Training volunteers is a key element of sustainability for the programme as these will continue providing information to young people even after the project comes to an end. Ministry of Health and Child Care appreciated the ASRH programme and have taken the initiative to train more nurses in all the clinics in the two Provinces.

2. Youth Living with Disability's access to SRH Information and Service Uptake

Youth living with disabilities had limited access to SRH information and uptake of services. Capacity building of nurses and volunteers has resulted in youth with disabilities accessing services. This is a major breakthrough that the project has achieved. JIC facilitators, Sista2Sista mentors and peer educators have all been sensitised to identify and referrer youth living with disabilities to clinics. Village health workers (VHW) and other ancillary health workers in the community are supporting identification of households with disabled youth.

Diagram below shows the cycle of care that has been created in the communities specifically to cater for youth with disabilities.



The table below shows the number of youth with disabilities who have accessed SRH information and services at clinical level. Services ranged from, HIV testing, family planning, Antenatal Care, information on VMMC, Counseling and general medical treatment.

Activity description	10-14 YEARS		15-19 YEARS		20-24 YEARS	
	M	F	M	F	M	F
Youth with disabilities	17	14	25	23	19	15

3. Conclusion

Capacity building of health service providers and project volunteers in the Provinces is a key element in ensuring sustainability of the project after the funding phase. Ministry of Health and Child Care has realised the importance of capacity building nurses in ASRH. Nurses in all the targeted clinics have now been trained in ASRHR. The community sisters who supervise clinics have been trained as TOTs (Training of Trainers) and they will monitor

provision of ASRH services and information at local level. This a positive regard towards sustainability of the project.

4. Upcoming

- Strengthening positive living among adolescents living with HIV

