

Field-testing Costing Guidelines for Home-based Care

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There is a growing acknowledgment of the importance of the continuum of care and support services to people living with HIV/AIDS outside of health facilities. Greater reliance on women in the communities to provide care and support to people living with HIV/AIDS as well as non-complex maintenance and adherence support for treatment of those who are under antiretroviral treatment is seen as a way to alleviate the burden placed on traditional health systems in countries highly affected by HIV/AIDS. This report presents findings from the Partners for Health Reformplus (PHRplus) field-test regarding guidelines for costing home-based care (HBC) programs. Nine home-base care programs in Uganda provide the basis for this analysis. The findings indicate that the PHRplus guidelines help the user to define the core home-based care activities, and to collect appropriate cost and service data.

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