Accompanying civil society to address TB in vulnerable populations—offering an antidote to despair

LOCATION Latin America and the Caribbean

TARGET POPULATION(S) Civil society working with two TB key populations: migrants and people in prisons

IMPLEMENTERS AND PARTNERS Americas TB Coalition

ABOUT THE PROJECT

PROBLEM STATEMENT — How to build capacities in civil society in the knowledge and advocacy for the implementation of public policies in TB in two key vulnerable populations in Latin America and the Caribbean: People in prisons and Migrants?

AIM — To build civil society capacity in the knowledge, advocacy, and implementation of public policies and projects that will benefit access to health and human rights of two key vulnerable populations in Latin America and the Caribbean: People in prisons and Migrants.

OBJECTIVES

1. To coordinate efforts to Latin American and Caribbean (LAC) countries to improve awareness, facilitate the understanding of the current state of TB morbidity and mortality within people in prisons and migrant populations, and share best community-based practices.

2. To generate knowledge, evidence, agreements and produce advocacy materials to reinforce visibility and strengthen the technical capacity of TB affected communities and civil society in these key populations: migrants and people in prisons.

STRATEGIC ALIGNMENTS

CONTRIBUTION TO REACHING KEY UN HLM TARGETS BY 2022. The project seeks to promote and support an end to stigma and all forms of discrimination through advocacy in TB public policies and the protection and promotion of human rights. Recognizes the various sociocultural barriers and conditions that limit the TB control, especially in two TB key populations (people in prisons and migrants) and considering the need to develop integrated, people-centred and community-based health services.

ALIGNMENT WITH NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND THE TB STRATEGIC PLAN. The current Multisectoral Strategic Plan for the national response to tuberculosis proposes, as one of its priority objectives, the approach to the most vulnerable and most exposed populations, who have living conditions that reduce the possibilities of contagion and development. Also, considering the reduction of the risk of disease transmission in institutions with internment regimes and high population concentration for long periods (such as prisons). Likewise, it is part of the objective of strengthening the organized participation of people directly involved in the TB problem, including civil society organizations.

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