



Terms of Reference (ToR) for the Review of the #ZikhalaKanjani Youth Prevention Strategy

1. Introduction

The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) have partnered with the South African National Aids Council (SANAC) for the review of the Zikhala Kanjani Youth Prevention strategy. This document outlines the Terms of Reference (ToR) for a comprehensive review of the Youth Prevention Strategy. The aim is to align the strategy with the existing National focus areas on Adolescents and young people (AYP) implementation and programming including the Strategic Plan (NSP 2023-2028), and to consult with the AYP Multi stakeholders for inputs and incorporate improvements through consultations with technical experts and partners involved in youth programs.

2. Background and Context

The #ZikhalaKanjani Youth Prevention Strategy targets the prevention of HIV, AIDS, TB, and STIs among Adolescents and Young People (AYP) in South Africa. Special emphasis is placed on the impact these diseases have on Adolescent Girls and Young Women (AGYW) and the need for their active participation in response efforts. The strategy was developed by young people for young people to ensure ownership and acceptability through allow young people to have a voice and be at the centre of coming up with solutions to what affects them.

Launched by the South African National AIDS Council (SANAC) in collaboration with provincial AIDS Councils (PCAs), government departments, and civil society organizations, this strategy succeeds the "She Conquers" initiative. It integrates health and social services with youth development programs and emphasizes social and behaviour change communication. Implemented from 2022-2025, it aligns with South Africa's National Strategic Plan on HIV, TB, and STIs 2023-2028.

3. Objectives

- To get buy-in from different implementers of the AYP programme to ensure a joint vision for the country
- To engage young people to be part of the plans for the AYP programming from local level to national platforms
- To engage different AYP programming implementers and technical experts to ensure that the plan is all encompassing and comprehensive.
- To analyse the understanding and adoption of the strategy by young people
- To review the alignment of the strategy to the national strategic plan
- To conduct a SWOT analysis on the strategy from different points, from the young people as the receivers of services, from the implementers and the providers and from the funders and agencies as the technical experts supporting the programme

4. Methodology

4.1 Data Collection

- Conduct Desktop review of existing documents/reports: Focusing on HIV and STIs incidence, uptake of biomedical prevention methods, access to SRH services, and substance use. Exploring on uptake of the services from the launch (nationally and provincially).

- Qualitative Data: Focus group discussions and in-depth interviews with stakeholders,

- Consultation with the youth sector to understand the vision behind the strategy and the progress review.
- Consultation with different government departments supporting the AYP programme at national level and the national supporting agencies to analyse and review the inclusion of all Behavioural, structural and biomedical interventions.
- Consultation with provincial multi stakeholders through the PCA
- Consultation with young people on the ground for their views and their inputs on youth activities going forward.

4.2 Data Analysis



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- Thematic Analysis: Qualitative data to understand the experiences and perspectives of the youth and stakeholders involved in the campaign

5. Review Scope

The assessment will include:

- Reviewing the strategy in line with the current AYP HIV status of the country (95-95-95 targets)
- Analyse the relevance and alignment of the strategy to the current situation through SWOT analysis to leverage on the strengths and opportunities and get support on the threats and weaknesses
- Reviewing the development and relevance of specific indicators related to the objectives of the #ZikhalaKanjani Youth Prevention Strategy.
- Conducting a comprehensive review of the strategy's implementation across different stakeholders: DBE (Department of Basic Education), DSD (Department of Social Development), DOH (Department of Health), and other organizations like UNAIDS, UNFPA, UNICEF, UN Women and different funders supporting the AYP program.
- Evaluating the strategy's impact on the incidence rates of HIV and STIs.
- Reporting and dissemination of findings to all stakeholders.

6. Deliverables

6.1. Detailed report presenting findings, progress, and recommendations.

- Overview of strategy implementation across sectors.
- Provide actionable insights to refine and improve the strategy over time.
- Recommendations for policy adjustments, innovative approaches to enhance the overall effectiveness of the #ZikhalaKanjani Youth Prevention Strategy.
- PowerPoint presentation summarizing key findings and recommendations.

6.2. Advocacy brief on Prevention Strategy in combating HIV, AIDS, TB, and STIs among youth in South Africa.

7. Duration and working schedule

The duration of the project assignment scheduled to start from 12 August 2024 to 30 November 2024.

8. Evaluation criteria

The evaluation of the bids will be conducted according to UNFPA prescripts.

- 30%: proposal relevance to the project.
- 40%: professional expertise and experience in working on similar projects. (attach a similar deliverable from a previous assignment)
- 30%: Technical approach based on proposed methodology.

Interested parties are requested to submit proposals to (zaf.admin@unfpa.org) by **30 July 2024**.