PROJECTS

Caribbean Vulnerable Communities Coalition (CVC) is a coalition of community leaders and non-governmental agencies that are advocates and service providers, working with and on behalf of Caribbean populations who are especially vulnerable to HIV infection or often forgotten in access to treatment and healthcare programmes. These groups include men who have sex with men, sex workers, people who use drugs, orphans and other children made vulnerable by HIV, migrant populations, persons in prison and ex-prisoners, and youth in especially difficult circumstances.

CVC mobilises funding and technical expertise to support the work of key population, civil society groups to strengthen capacity for self-advocacy and to deliver effective services through such interventions as:

- Mobile outreach and provision of a minimum package of preventative services
- Campaigns to reduce stigma & discrimination
- Peer support and peer education training and implementation
- Sex positive training
- Sensitization of state agents, policy makers and other duty bearers including health providers and police personnel
- Strategic litigation and policy advocacy
- Harm reduction
- Leadership development and empowerment

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CVC is a member of a number of organisations engaged in the regional and global response to HIV. These include:

- The Executive Board and Priority Areas Coordinating Committee of the Pan-Caribbean Alliance against HIV (PANCAP).
- The Regional Advisory Board of the International Organisation on Migration.
- The Caribbean Regional Harm Reduction Network.
- The governing body of the Caribbean Sex Work Coalition.

Social Mobilization & Capacity Building of Vulnerable Communities

Groups vulnerable to HIV need to be included in national and regional policy discussions and decision making. Meaningful inclusion requires training and social mobilization processes to equip representatives with a mandate and understanding of their constituency needs; effective advocacy and communication; and committed leadership. CVC works to build capacity in these areas to enhance groups’ and individuals’ self-advocacy.

CVC offers members and grantees regular training opportunities under specific, funded programmes. Areas of training have included:

- Health care rights
- “Sex Positive” – sexual & reproductive health and rights education
- Harm reduction
- Motivational interviewing
- Advocacy
- Project management & development, including monitoring & evaluation, finance & accounting
- Introduction to Communications
- Monitoring and Evaluation

Join the CVC

To join us in banishing discrimination, consider becoming a member of the Caribbean Vulnerable Communities Coalition.

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