





# ALIVE MEDICAL SERVICES AND THE SEXUAL REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS (SRHR) UMBRELLA CONTRIBUTION TO THE HIV /AIDS RESPONSE IN UGANDA

#### BACKGROUND

The SRHR Umbrella is funded by the Swedish International Development Cooperation Agency (SIDA) and managed by Frontline AIDS, with Alive Medical Services (AMS) as the national coordinator.

The SRHR Umbrella partners include Alive Medical Services (AMS), Child Rights Empowerment and Development Organization (CEDO), The AIDS Support Organization (TASO) and Youth Alive Uganda (YAU), who are making great impact in the community contributing to improved national HIV and SRHR outcomes in Uganda.

The SRHR Umbrella has reached over 1,500,000 young and vulnerable people with integrated SRHR and HIV services since 2016.

#### THE SRHR UMBRELLA COMPREHENSIVE APPROACH

Meeting the UNAIDS global 95-95-95 targets by 2030 will require everyone to address the injustices that are impeding the fight to end AIDS. The SRHR Umbrella joins the world in fighting the HIV/AIDS pandemic and calls for action to:

- Reform laws, policies, and practices to address the stigma and exclusion experienced by persons living with HIV or affected by HIV.
- Increase accessibility, quality, and suitability of services for HIV treatment, testing, and prevention for all.
- To ensure equal access to the finest HIV science, ensure technology sharing, and encourage communities to modify the "Equalize" message to emphasize specific injustices they experience.

The SRHR Umbrella community-based, peer-led, client and familycentered comprehensive services have improved the HIV care cascade for its clients.



Combining quality HIV services with comprehensive health, social, and economic services, based on client needs, boosts trust and provides incentives that support testing, retention, adherence, and viral suppression of HIV.

In November 2022 under the Ministry of Health 'Heroes in Health' award, AMS received an award for being one of the top three private health facilities of the year 2022.

## THE SRHR UMBRELLA COMMITMENT AND CALL TO ACTION

THE SRHR Umbrella partners have continued to provide comprehensive and holistic SRHR and HIV services to the most vulnerable and marginalized communities. The partners encourage Integration of Sexual and Reproductive health and Rights and HIV services because it provides a platform for reaching more young and vulnerable people with services they need.

SRHR Umbrella partners have been on the frontline to ensure that the gains made in HIV prevention and treatment are not lost.

The SRHR Umbrella partners have continued to use post COVID-19 response strategies to address the different facets of HIV merging innovations and scientific breakthrough in the treatment and care of HIV/AIDS.



The SRHR Umbrella partners calls all Ugandans and the world to re-commit and share the responsibility and fight sigma and discrimination because AIDS is not over yet!

### **GRATITUDE TO SRHR UMBRELLA PARTNERS**

AMS and the SRHR Umbrella programme would like to thank the Swedish International Development Agency and the Swedish Embassy in Kampala, Frontline AIDS, The Uganda Ministry of Health, Kampala Capital City Authority, Mukono District, Wakiso District, Kikubbe District, Hoima District, Nakaseke District, Luwero District, Mubende District, Buikwe District, Kayunga District and Buyende district.