



2016 WORLD AIDS DAY

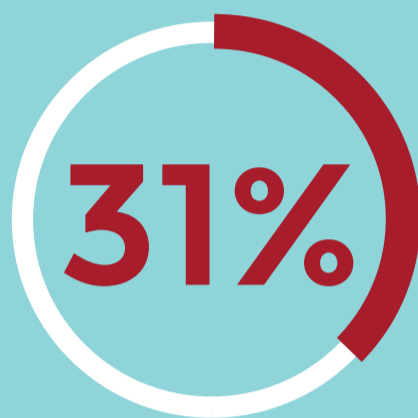
This World AIDS Day, we celebrate the launch of the World Health Organization's guidelines on HIV self-testing (HIVST). This is a critical step toward expanding HIV testing and achieving the United Nation's bold 90-90-90 targets for ending the HIV epidemic. As the world's largest evaluation of HIV self-testing, the UNITAID/PSI HIV Self-Testing Africa (STAR) Project is proud to have contributed important evidence to these guidelines and to have raised the profile of HIVST in Africa.

A year ago today, we launched the STAR Project. Today, we look back at our progress toward making HIV self-testing a reality for millions of people in Africa.



3 STAR COUNTRIES

distributing HIV self-tests through community and facility based distribution models.



31% OF SELF-TESTERS

in Malawi have never before been tested for HIV.

125,483 TEST KITS

distributed as of November 2016.



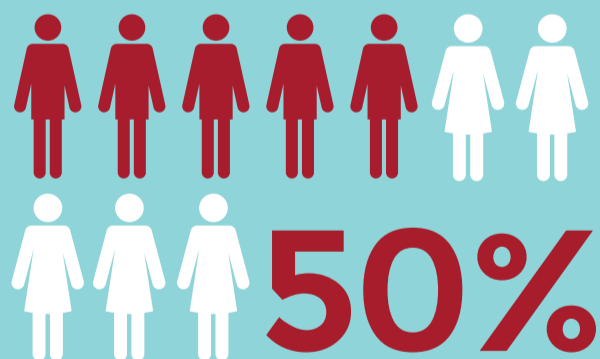
2.4 TO 3.2 MILLION

estimated number of self-tests needed in STAR countries in 2020.



602 COMMUNITY-BASED DISTRIBUTORS

trained to distribute HIV self-test kits in STAR countries as of October 2016.

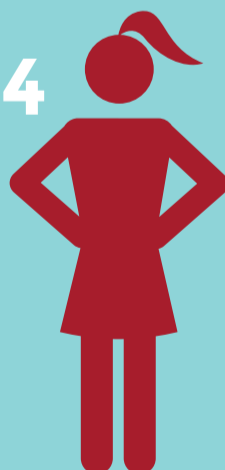


50%

of the people taking up HIV self-testing are men.

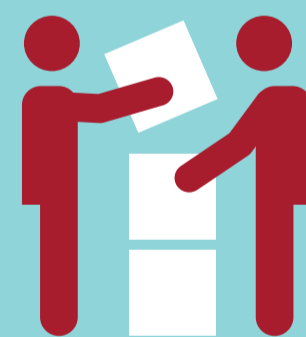
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year olds have the highest uptake of HIVST in STAR countries.



2 HIVST KIT MANUFACTURERS

with an active application for WHO pre-qualification.



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STAR countries now have supportive national health policies on HIVST.

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countries with national policies supportive of HIVST are in Africa.

The STAR Project looks forward to continuing to advance the adoption of HIV self-testing and to ensuring that the launch of the WHO guidelines is just the start of a movement to make HIVST a global reality.

