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Last year on World AIDS Day, COVID-19 was not a recognized disease and the virus that causes it was barely known. So much has changed in a year, with many new challenges emerging for HIV/AIDS treatment and prevention. In observance of World AIDS Day 2020, Ciheb's country directors from eight African nations share their perspectives on the road traveled and highlight their teams' innovative pandemic responses and ongoing work during these difficult times.

Read the Ciheb country directors' World AIDS Day statements

## **PEPFAR Heroes in Kenya**



The US Embassy in Kenya is recognizing the outstanding work of three Ciheb-supported team members by presenting them with the 2020 PEPFAR Heroes Award. Dr. Sheila Ayuya, Dr. Jebet Boit, and Lilian Okioga were selected for their leadership and dedication in ensuring uninterrupted HIV/AIDS services for vulnerable populations in Kenya during the COVID-19 pandemic.



## Ciheb Collaborates with Government of Nigeria and CDC on National Data Repository Workshop in Nigeria

WORKSHOP ON NATIONAL DATA REPOSITORY AS A RESOURCE FOR ACHIEVING HIV-EPIDEMIC CONTROL 03 DECEMBER 2020

Ciheb Nigeria is co-hosting a workshop to discuss the National Data Repository (NDR) as a resource for achieving HIV/AIDS goals. The workshop is bringing together officials from government, nonprofits, academia, and the private sector. The NDR currently hosts over 1 million active patient records from health facilities across Nigeria.

Learn more

#### **New CQI Resource Guide**

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A RESOURCE GUIDE FOR CONTINUOUS QUALITY IMPROVEMENT

THE NEED FOR AN EVIDENCE DRIVEN APPROACH TO IMPLEMENTING QUALITY IMPROVEMENT METHODOLOGIES IN RESOURCE-LIMITED SETTINGS

Condition UNIVERSITY of MARYLAND BALTIMORE Ciheb's technical teams have distilled years of experience and development in the area of continuous quality improvement (CQI) to create this new comprehensive resource guide.

The guide leads users through a systematic step-by-step process for gathering information and engaging stakeholders in identifying solutions to priority public health challenges. It provides evidence-based and replicable CQI strategies for improving health outcomes, and lists recommendations for using a simple digital platform in real-time tracking of selected metrics in the CQI cycle.

Download the guide

## PREVAILING AGAINST PANDEMICS



### **UNAIDS Releases People-Centered Pandemic Strategy**

In a new strategy report released for World AIDS Day, UNAIDS sets forth a bold, ambitious set of targets that emphasize a people-centered approach in combatting pandemics and ending AIDS as a public health threat by 2030.

## **New Ciheb Research Publications**

Ciheb researchers are among the co-authors in two new publications. Dr. Lottie Hachaambwa coauthored an editorial in the journal *AIDS* regarding advanced HIV disease during the "treat all" era. Dr. Peter Memiah was part of a team that conducted a metaanalysis of intimate partner violence and postpartum depression, reporting in the *Journal of Affective Disorders*. Both publications are linked below.

- "Advanced HIV disease during the 'Treat All' era in Botswana"
- "Postpartum depression and its association with intimate partner violence and inadequate social support in Ethiopia: a systematic review and metaanalysis"

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