Violence & HIV

Violence and HIV are mutually reinforcing epidemics.

By the numbers



women worldwide have been beaten, coerced into sex, or otherwise abused in their lifetimes.

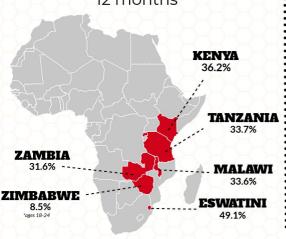


girls' first sexual encounter was unwanted.



is the increased likelihood that women who experience intimate partner violence will acquire HIV







Violence & the Clinical Cascade

Violence inhibits one's ability to access testing services and disclose her/his/their status. Many women report fear of violence and/or abandonment if their partner learns their HIV positive (+) status.

95%

Violence is associated with reduced linkage to HIV care services and initiation on treatment.

experience violence are less likely to adhere to treatment and achieve viral suppression. Violence is also associated with reduced adherence to antiretroviral therapy among adolescents, transgender women, and drug users

Women who

Violence is a barrier to adherence to PrEP.



Access HIV Testing Rx Initiate on Treatment

95%

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Achieve Viral Suppresion

Care and Treatment

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