



“Five Years of Success: Sustaining Momentum Towards 2010”

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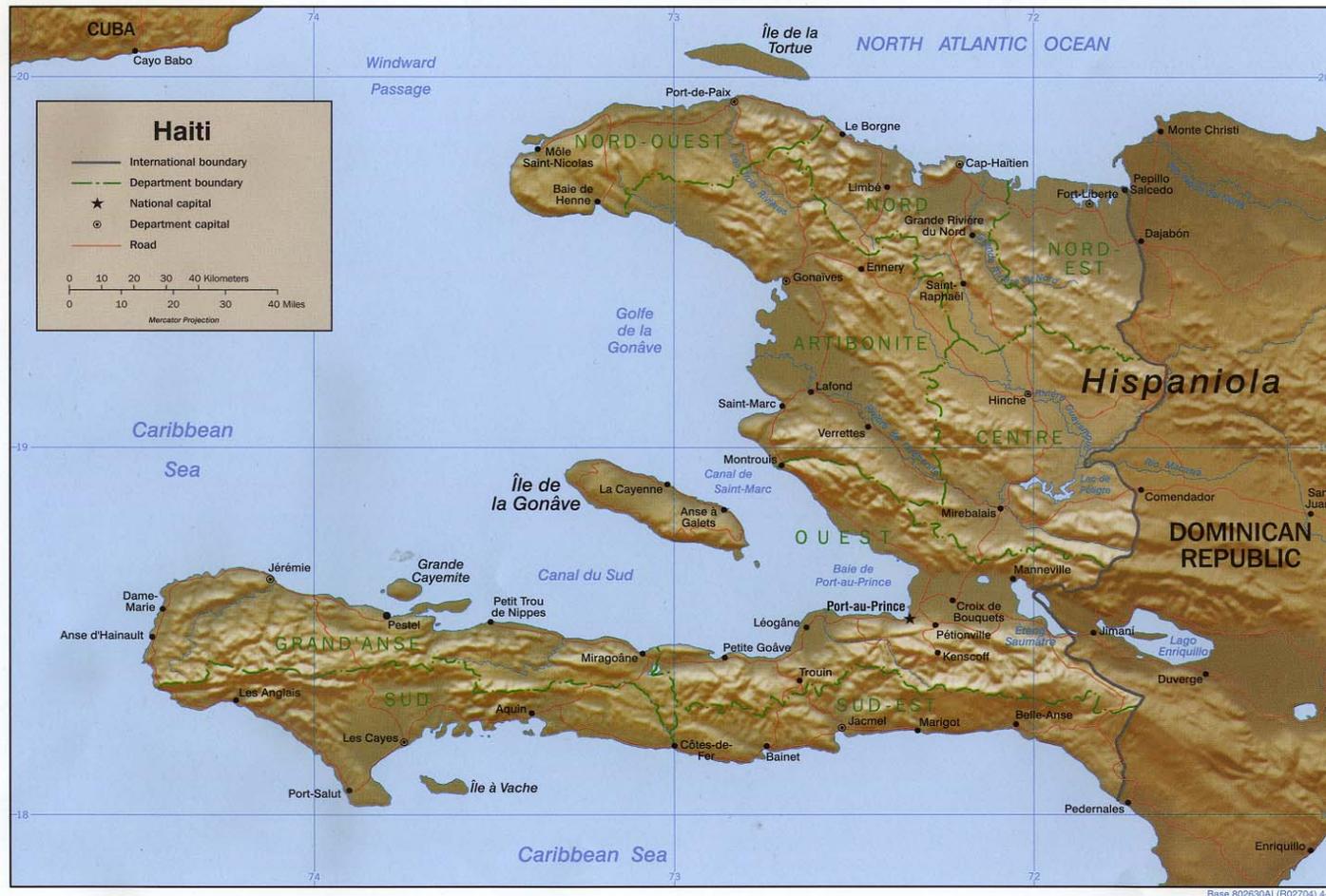
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AIDS in Haiti: PEPFAR and Beyond

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Country Context & Challenges

- ❑ Poorest country in the hemisphere
- ❑ Highest prevalence rate in the hemisphere
- ❑ Estimated 3.8% HIV prevalence
- ❑ Over 250,000 infected people
- ❑ Poor basic health care nationwide
- ❑ Ongoing security concerns impact public health sector – difficulty in accessing urban clinics



Country Context & Challenges

Population	8,585,000
Women	4,400,000
Pregnancies/year	260,000
Estimated Women 15-49 yrs infected in 2005	122,000
Pregnant women infected/ year	11,700
Children born infected	5,400/year 14/ day



Successes to Date:

- ❑ Implementing 3rd year of PEPFAR program in 2006, and planning for 4th year
- ❑ Nearly 8,000 on ARV treatment today
 - 1,500 in 2004
 - 1,000 GHESKIO
 - 500 PIH
- ❑ 15,000 by the end of '07; 20,000 by 2008
- ❑ 60,000 patients receiving palliative care
 - 8,000 in 2004
- ❑ 300,000 counseled and tested for HIV
 - 75,000 in 2004



Our program approach ...

- ❑ Linkages – emphasis on linking clinic-based care with community-based care & support
- ❑ Integration – offer HIV clinical services as an integrated package (C&T; TB/HIV;PMTCT; palliative care; ARV Treatment)
- ❑ Sustainability - build human capacity and service delivery systems
- ❑ Improved coordination with Global Fund & World Bank especially for procurement, warehousing, distribution of drug and lab commodities and equipment



AIDS Awareness training in Creole



Prevention Successes

- ❑ Control the expansion of HIV/AIDS through prevention programs tailored to the needs of various audiences:
 - AB for youth
 - ABC for sexually active individuals
 - Focus on high-risk groups (truckers, police, commercial sex workers...)

- ❑ Work through local community networks

- ❑ Continued emphasis on cross border activities



Lessons Learned in Care & Treatment

- ❑ A good package of inputs (renovations, equipment, human resources, financial management) can make the difference even in a weak infrastructure:
 - Delivery of integrated care at all 10 MOH departmental hospitals

- ❑ Partnership with community and religious organizations and networks can help reduce stigma and discrimination

- ❑ Wrap-around with other USG agencies and Int'l donors for nutrition programs can help sustain adherence



PLWHA Support Group Activity



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Challenges for today and tomorrow

- ❑ Direction: political leadership – need an accountable government which takes active ownership of its national AIDS strategy. New Préval government seems aware of this key concept
- ❑ Disasters: social challenges and natural disasters – Haiti is often on the brink of one disaster, works against sustained systems improvements
- ❑ Development: need for human resource development , both in-service training and pre-service technical degree programs for lab techs, pharmacists, nursing assistants, social workers.





DISCUSSION

