

# **Tigray PLHIVs Associations Network**

## **1. Background**

Tigray PLHIVs Associations network is a network of PLHIVs association that works for HIV positives. Tigray PLHIVs Associations network was established In June 2009 by consisting of 32 PLHIVs associations in order to mitigate stigma and discrimination, to promote the life of HIV positives and to prevent and control the expansion of this pandemic in well-enlightened and organized ways. Tigray PLHIVs Associations network works with all Governmental and non-governmental organizations, community based and faith based organizations, civic society, solidarity etc. With out of any social barriers/sex, color, ethnicity, and racial identity etc/.

## **2. Vision and Mission of the Regional network**

### **2.1. Vision**

To see Tigray free from HIV/AIDS and its impacts.

### **2.2. Mission**

Lead and coordinate the contribution of PLHIVs Association in the region response to HIV/AIDS through networking, partnerships, capacity building, resource mobilization and relaying the voices of PLHIVs and Orphans at all levels.

### **3. Programmatic area of intervention**

Tigray PLHIVs Association network has been engaged in different programmatic Interventions areas through out the region from different sources as well as the project sites selected by the regional network for the implementation of planned activities of NEP+ funded by Global fund round 7. Among these are listed below

- Community based palliative care to bedridden and disabled people living with **HIV/AIDS**
- Nutrition support for bedridden and disabled and orphans.
- Financial and school material assistance for orphaned children
- Personal testimonies for different community in order to acquire behavioral change
- To participate in income generating activities provision of seed money and sharing innovative ideas for those able and interested PLHIVs
- Provide seed money for income Generating activities to elder Orphans
- Pre and post counseling of HIV/AIDS
- ART Adherence literacy and counseling
- Reproductive healthy awareness creation sessions/trainings.

### **4. Total members Associations of the Network**

Tigray PLHIVs Association network only confined in Tigray national regional state. In Tigray region there are about 32 PLHIVs associations including the sole women Association named Tesfa Hiwot women PLHIVs Association. There are a total of 13,500 PLHIVs members and Orphans though out regional network.