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### **New Toolkit Will Assist in the Implementation of Positive Prevention Programs in Mozambique, Elsewhere in Africa**

#### **PEPFAR-funded Partnership Developed Training Materials and Resources Related to Clinic and Community Interventions for People Living with HIV**

**WASHINGTON, DC, April 2, 2010** — HIV/AIDS Twinning Center partners at the University of California - San Francisco School of Nursing, in close collaboration with their Mozambican counterparts at Namaacha Health Center and Esperanza-Beluluane Voluntary Counseling and Testing Center, have developed a comprehensive toolkit that provides information, training materials, and technical assistance for organizations looking to implement a Positive Prevention Program.

The content of the toolkit — which is based on two intervention studies conducted in the United States — was adapted by partners to local HIV risk factors and care options in Mozambique. Partners piloted the training curriculum and related resources in two rural sites in Maputo Province and updated the materials based on evaluations on feedback garnered from these initial trainings. The curriculum is designed to train staff and volunteers about the prevention and care needs of people living with HIV in Mozambique. Specific topics covered include helping people living with HIV to disclose their status, negotiating steps to reduce risk of HIV infection, and prevention of transmission to partners and children.

The materials contained in the toolkit are based on the partnership's work developing and implementing two successful "Prevention with Positives" programs in Maputo Province — a clinic-based intervention at Namaacha Health Center and a community-based intervention at Esperanza-Beluluane Voluntary Counseling and Testing Center. The goal of these programs is to prevent re-infection and co-infection of HIV among those already living with the virus, as well as among sero-discordant couples. The partnership is supported by the US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through CDC/Mozambique.

The toolkit, training manual, and other positive prevention materials are available online at [www.positiveprevention.ucsf.edu](http://www.positiveprevention.ucsf.edu).

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