



WOMEN'S HEALTH IN WOMEN'S HANDS COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE

RESEARCH PROJECT OVERVIEW

Title:	OPTIMIZING HIV PREVENTION IN BLACK COMMUNITIES THROUGH KNOWLEDGE TRANSLATION AND EXCHANGE
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Project Summary:

The aim of this project is to facilitate KTE of findings from the EAST study - a study that examined HIV/AIDS issues and concerns in the context of general health issues and behaviours present in five East African communities (Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda, Ethiopia and Somalia). KTE activities will include:

- a. A forum that will bring together researchers, service providers, people living with HIV/AIDS and other stakeholders including community leaders, advocates and general community members to share findings and develop strategies to deal with HIV/AIDS.
- b. Development of three types of printed materials that will include: **i)** Fact sheet with summary of the study findings **ii)** Fact sheet with strategies and action plans developed at the forum to deal with issues highlighted in the EAST report and other community HIV prevention needs and **iii)** A report documenting “lessons learned” in implementation of population based studies.
- c. Refinement of dissemination strategies/action plans developed through the initiative