



## Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) Program

The Orphans and Vulnerable Children (OVC) program, a part of the Project ACCELERATE, supported by PEPFAR through USAID, implemented by Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine (JHU SOM) and YRG CARE, works with children affected and infected with HIV (0-17 years age group), to improve access to services across sectors to improve their health and well-being.

### Objectives

- Help the children infected and affected with HIV and their caregivers attain better health, education and socio-economic stability
- Help them access existing government and non-government services
- Train the adolescents on life skills, engage with their parents/caregivers to learn skills of growing up
- Support their life-long medication and achieve viral load suppression

## Our Collaborators

### Manipur

Manipur State AIDS Control Society (SACS)  
Society for HIV AIDS & Lifeline Operation (SHALOM)  
Social Awareness & Service Organization (SASO)  
CARE Foundation

### Mizoram

Mizoram SACS  
Society for HIV AIDS & Lifeline Operation (SHALOM)  
Zoram Entu Pawl (ZEP)

### Nagaland

Nagaland SACS  
Kripa Foundation



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# Accelerating HIV epidemic control across India



## Best Practices So Far...



### Reaching Children and Adolescents Living with HIV (C/ALHIV)

Through ART Centers, Community Outreach, Collaboration with local NGOs and HIV positive networks



### Community based ART Refill Group for ALHIV

Supports better medicine adherence, timely availability of ART medicines as many ALHIV depend on their parents/caregivers for medicine pick up from ART Centers



### Adolescent Friendly Health Center (AFHC) for Adolescent Living with HIV

Supports viral load suppression, better medicine adherence, links ALHIV with existing government run Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH), Mental Health and vocational programs and life skills development



## Our Implementing partners



## Key Initiatives



Improving access for children infected and affected with HIV (0-17 years)



Ensuring initiation, adherence and retention on ART for C/ALHIV



Building upon specialized services for ALHIV

## Our Services

### Health Services

- Supporting parents to receive timely vaccines & nutrition
- Support ART medicine adherence
- Provide information on the benefits of ART medicine
- Counseling of defaulters
- Education on Tuberculosis and other opportunistic infections
- Routine Health Check-up
- Nutrition Supplementation Support
- Personal Hygiene Counseling
- Menstrual Health & Hygiene Counseling for female adolescents
- Linkage for mental & emotional well-being
- Linkage with RBSK, RKSK and Anganwadi services

### Non-Health Services

- Facilitate to avail Birth Certificates, AADHAAR, PAN card, Bank Account, Scholarships, Ration cards
- Facilitate enrolment in schools and career counseling
- Linkage and access to various government schemes, soft loans, legal services
- Housing support for families in need ART Pension and Health Insurance



## District Contact

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Mob -



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