

# TOGO : FIGHT AGAINST AIDS AND PREVENTION OF HIV

## GENERAL CONTEXT

- UNICEF has made reducing the rate of child mortality by 15% by 2015 its priority. The strategy includes increasing HIV prevention among pregnant women, preventing mother to child transmission and by protecting orphans and vulnerable children.
- In Togo, HIV prevalence is at 3.2%
- 88,000 children have been orphaned because of AIDS
- Only 6.1% of HIV positive pregnant women receive anti-retroviral treatment (ARV) to reduce the chances of mother to child HIV transmission
- Only 10 in 100 women have an HIV test during pregnancy
- 4 women in 10 do not know how HIV is transmitted from mother to child
- 6 in 10 women do not know of any health facility where they can have a HIV test
- 94% of children who have been orphaned or made vulnerable by HIV/AIDS do not receive any medical, educational or psychological support

## OBJECTIVES 2008-2012



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- 100 new sites for prevention of mother to child HIV transmission will be created
- At least 50% of Togolese children benefit from curative and preventive health care against the main deadly diseases, including HIV/AIDS
- 80% of women seen for prenatal consultation take a HIV test
- 10,000 HIV positive pregnant women benefit from ARV and around 8,000 children have access to preventive HIV treatment at birth
- 11,500 orphans and vulnerable children benefit from medical, educational and psychological services
- Awareness-raising campaigns on HIV/AIDS prevention and the different ways it's transmitted are conducted for 426,000 pupils in 2,000 schools and training centres

The statistics in this document are taken from the MICS conducted in 2006 and UNGASS report 2008.

« Children are the hidden side of HIV/AIDS. We absolutely must take into account the needs of children ».

*Ms. Ann M. Veneman UNICEF Executive Director.*

## How to help us?

- 0. 20 \$.** Is the price of a condom
- 0. 48 \$.** Is the cost for a month's treatment to protect a woman infected by HIV/AIDS against opportunistic infections
- 0. 60 \$.** Is the cost for a month's treatment to protect a child infected by HIV/AIDS against opportunistic infections
- 4. 80 \$.** Is the total cost of HIV testing diagnosis and counseling for a child or a pregnant woman
- 35 \$.** Is the cost of ARV treatment to prevent mother to child transmission of HIV

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