

Monitoring Outcomes of PEPFAR Orphans and Vulnerable Children Programs in Nigeria

Sustainable Mechanism for Improving Livelihood & Household Empowerment (SMILE) Program 2016 Survey Findings

Purpose

As part of its monitoring, evaluation, and reporting (MER) guidance, the United States President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) launched a set of outcome indicators for orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) programs in 2014. The purpose of collecting the MER OVC Essential Survey Indicators is to obtain a snapshot of program outcomes at one point in time (Round 1) and to assess changes in outcomes among OVC program beneficiaries over time (Round 2). MEASURE Evaluation, funded by the United States Agency for International Development and PEPFAR, conducted this Round 1 survey in the scale-up LGAs spread across the two states of the country (Benue and Nasarawa States) and FCT

Project Description

The SMILE is being implemented since April 2013 through an umbrella grants mechanism (UGM) whereby civil society organizations (CSOs) receive subgrants to support capacity strengthening and OVC program implementation at the community level. The project is currently working with over 40 CSOs in the FCT and the four focal states (Benue, Kogi, Edo, and Nasarawa).

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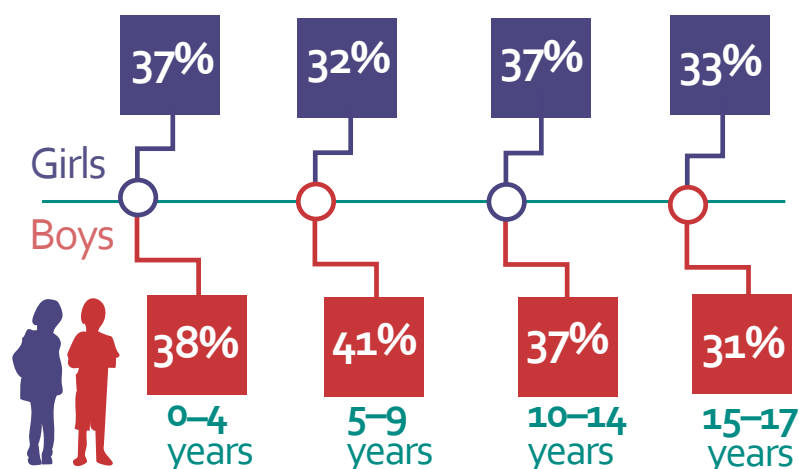


HEALTH

46% of children have a primary caregiver who knows the child's HIV status, based on an HIV test



Children ages 0-17 years, who were too sick to participate in daily activities



ECONOMIC WELL-BEING AND RESILIENCE

66%



of households were able to access money to pay for unexpected household expenses

LEGAL PROTECTION

Girls and boys who have a **verified birth certificate**



CHILD PROTECTION

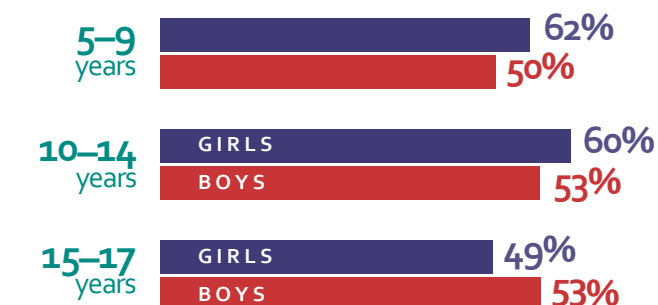
79%

of caregivers agree that harsh physical punishment is an appropriate means of discipline in the home or school



EDUCATION

Children regularly **attending school**



Children who progressed to a more advanced level in school



96% of children < 5 recently engaged in **stimulating activities**

