

Central Asia Region

Country Brief

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ICAP ensures the wellness of families and communities by strengthening health systems around the world.

ICAP is committed to partnering with Government in the Central Asia Republics of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan through service, education and training, and research projects that support sustainable health systems strengthening and ensure impact towards national health development goals.

Background

In 2010, ICAP began its work in the Central Asia region with support from the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), to implement capacity building activities to improve HIV prevention, care and treatment services and HIV strategic information. ICAP began partnerships with the ministries of health (MOH) in the republics of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan.

ICAP's work is supported by a senior team based at Columbia University with technical, clinical, implementation, research and management expertise. ICAP's office in Almaty, Kazakhstan serves as the central technical unit for activities in Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and—on a more limited basis—in Uzbekistan. ICAP's multidisciplinary team in the Central Asia region consists of over 25 staff members and includes treatment specialists, operations management, financial officers, and technical advisors.

ICAP has received support for its work in Central Asia from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC).

Current Projects

Strengthening HIV Strategic Information Activities in the Central Asian Republics of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan under PEPFAR

Through this five-year project supported by the CDC, ICAP is collaborating with the MOH and National AIDS Centers, laboratories and non-governmental organizations in the Central Asia Republics of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Tajikistan, and Uzbekistan to build capacity to collect and use high-quality HIV-related data to inform HIV prevention, care and treatment program planning. ICAP is developing monitoring and evaluation systems by improving the national population-based surveillance systems, creating an electronic HIV case management system, and implementing data quality assurance procedures.

Implementation of Prevention, Care and Treatment Programs for Individuals with HIV/AIDS in the Central Asia Republics of Kazakhstan, Kyrgyz Republic, and Tajikistan under PEPFAR

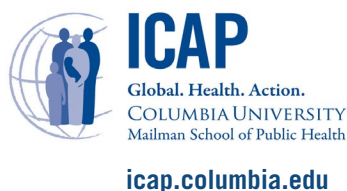
Through this five-year project, supported by the CDC, ICAP is partnering with MOHs and Republican AIDS Centers in Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, and Tajikistan to build national capacity to provide high-quality HIV prevention care and treatment services, providing enhanced technical assistance and mentoring to HIV care and treatment facilities, and improving laboratory capacity for quality-assured HIV-related laboratory tests. ICAP also supports HIV prevention for key populations, including medication-assisted treatment (MAT), such as methadone for injection drug users.

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