

# Tackling TB Among PLHIV: A Success Story in Screening and Prevention

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### Introduction

## **Description**

# **Outline**

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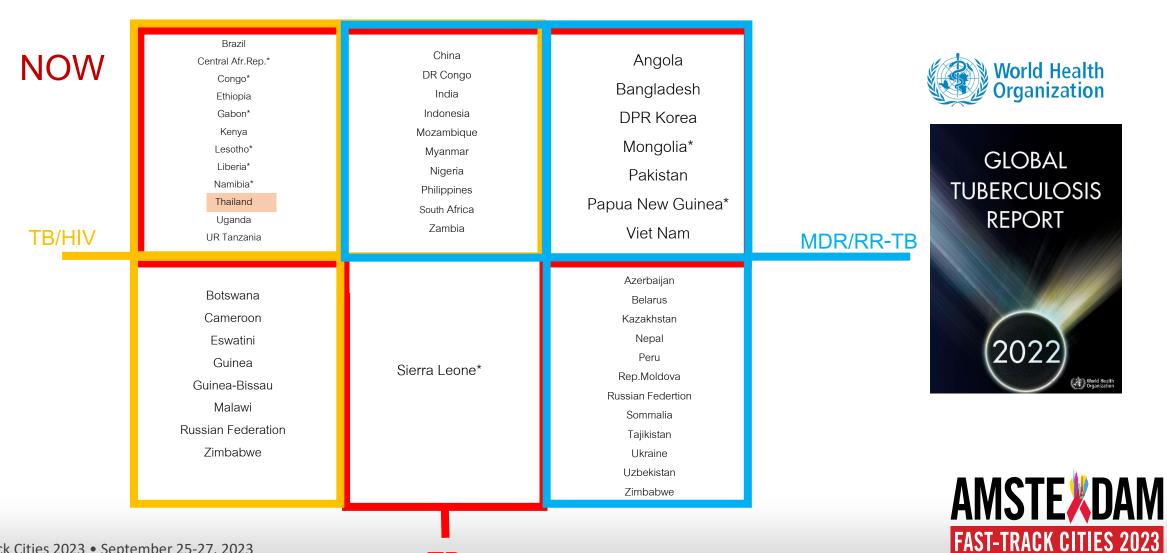
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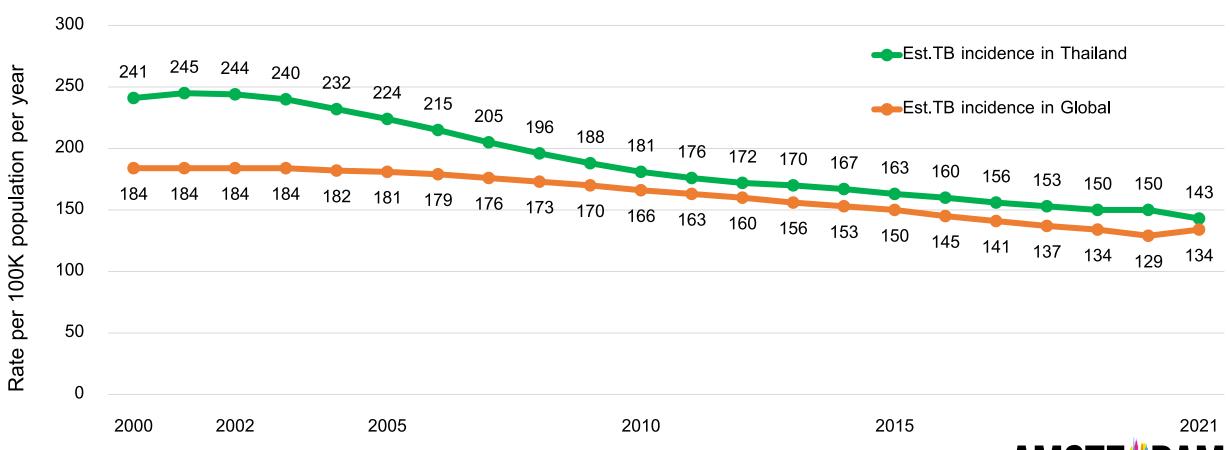


### The 3 HBC lists to be used by WHO,2021-2025

- 30 countries in each list; 49 countries in at least 1 list; 10 countries in all 3 lists



# Estimated TB incidence rate per 100K per year in Thailand



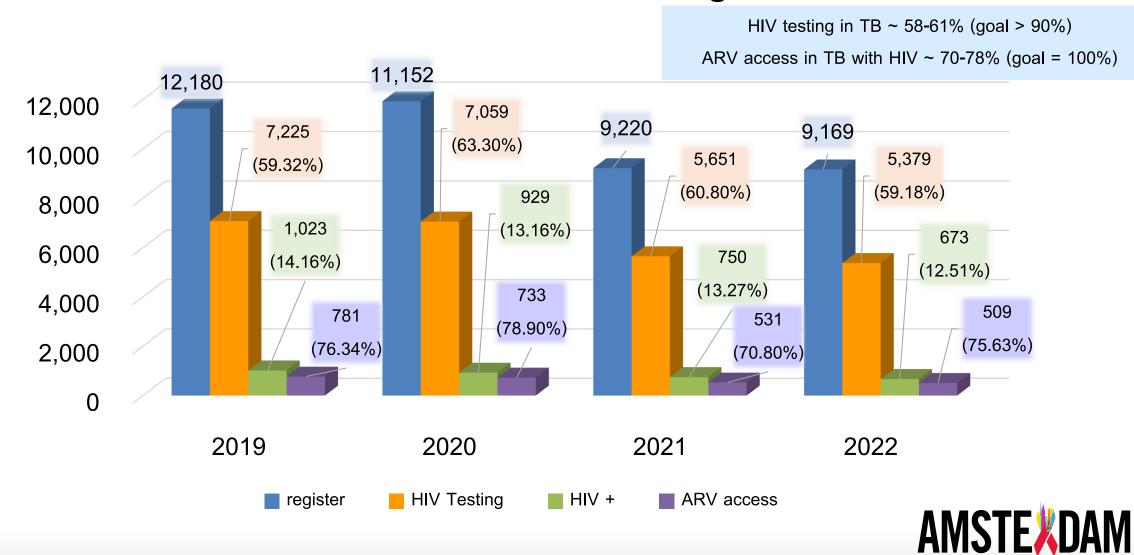
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### **TB with HIV Situation in Bangkok**



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### FAST-TRACK CITIES

In 2014, Bangkok joined the Paris Declaration
On Fast-Track Cities.

To achieve the 90-90-90 targets by 2020 and ending the AIDS epidemic by 2030

In 2021, Bangkok Received

"The Circle of

Excellence Award"

in Fast-Track Cities 2021 conference

In 2022, Bangkok joined the Sevilla Declaration
On Fast-Track Cities.

To achieve the 95-95-95 targets by 2025 and ending the AIDS epidemic by 2030













### **Ending TB Strategies in Bangkok**



#### Incidence Rate 10: 100,000 population in 2035

# Accelerate TB patient case finding

- Passive Case-Finding
- Active Case-Finding
  - Household Contacts
  - On-site at hospital :HIV, Diabetic, PWID
  - Out-site of hospital : slums, prisons, vulnerable population

# Effective and Successful Treatment

- In line with NTP guideline
- Free of charge ; (both Thai and Non Thai)

(Strong Recommended)

- DOT/VOT : Clinic base DOT,
   Family member based DOT
   (Strong Recommended)
- Living Support

# Screening and Treatment for Latent TB Infection

- Target population : Focus on
  - TB Contact cases

    (Bacteriologically positive cases)
  - PLHIV
  - Children < 5 yrs who contact to TB patient

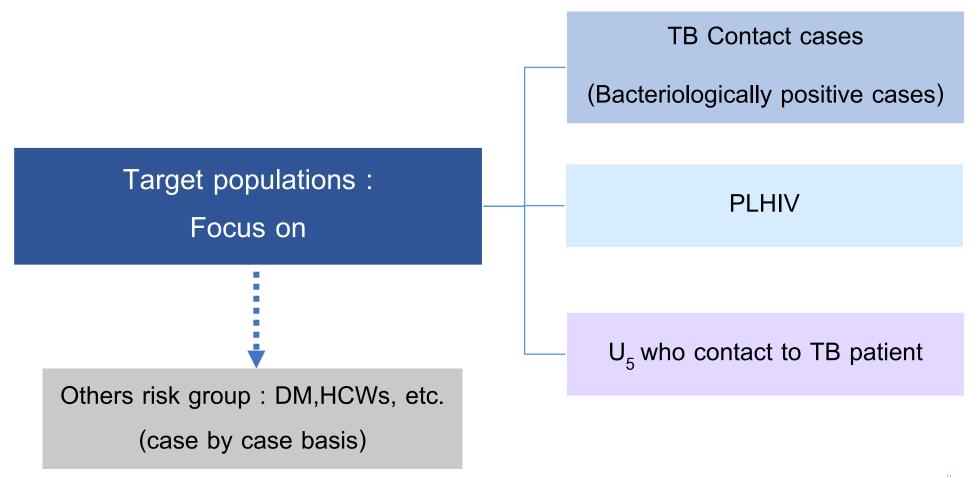
# Monitoring, Evaluation and Supervision

- Focus on health facilities under BMA :
  - 11 hospitals
  - 69 public health centers

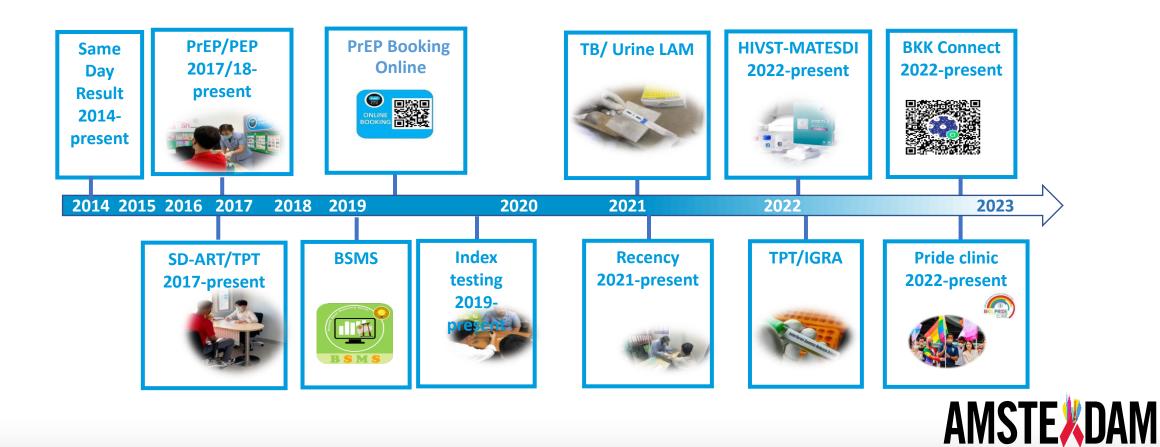




#### **Latent TB Infection**



# HIV, TB and STIs Services & Activities in BMA Public Health Centers, 2010-2023



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# Public Health Center 28, BMA

- A primary care unit (PCU) under Bangkok Metropolitan Administration
- Providing free services for

  Tuberculosis (TB) since 2000

  HIV patients since 2017
- The first PCU in Bangkok to initiate antiretroviral therapy (ART) for PLHIV since 2017
- As of June 2023, currently provide care for 4,398 PLHIVs



### Public Health Center 28 Services Timeline

#### Before 2015

Safe love Clinic

Free TB Treatment

(adult)

**OPD** 

Promotion & HIV

Prevention (Condoms)

ARV start at the hospital (Thai HIV CPG began 2010)

2016

Safe love Clinic

Free TB Treatment/

TPT (adult & child)

OPD

Promotion & HIV

Prevention (Condoms)

2017

PrEP/PEP (TUC)

ARV for all (Donation/ oPEP drugs)

TB&HIV training and research center: TUC

2018

Mental Health

Sexual Health

Immunization (HPV/HBV)

Intensive TPT

(Tuberculosis Preventive

Treatment: add IGRA,

3HP)

ARV for all (BMA/

Government budget)

2022

BKK pride clinic

Telemedicine in ARV clinic

HCV treatment.

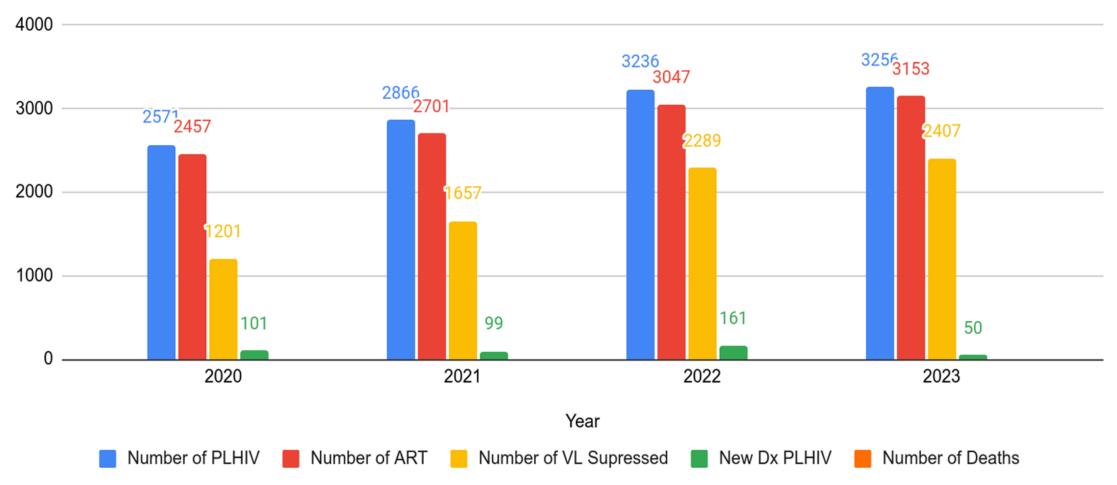
(C-free and NSHO)

#### Budget from Donation:

1. HCWs & Friends: ARV

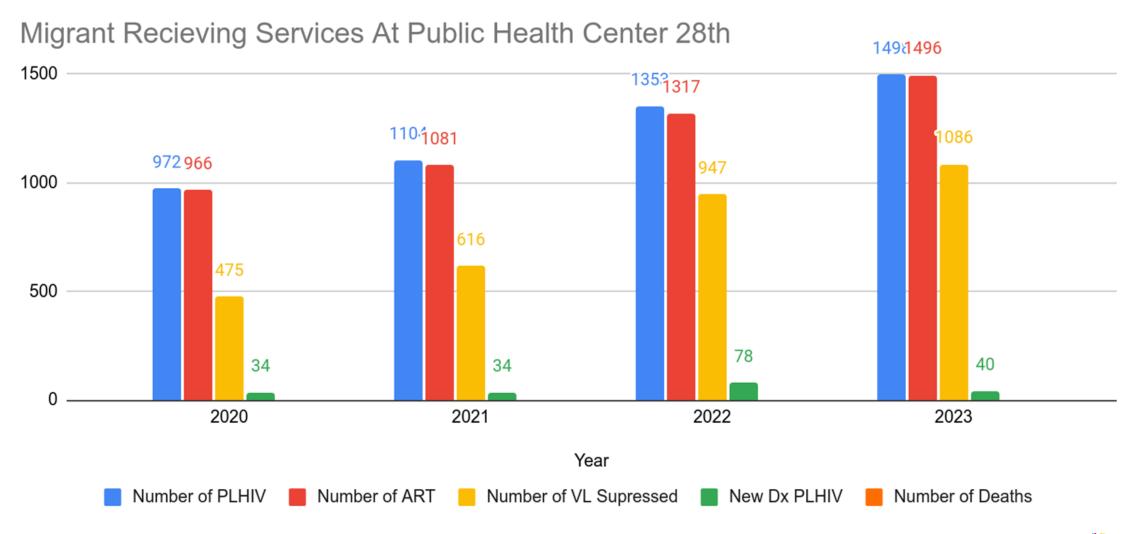
2.Bangkok AIDS Foundation: transportation

#### All PLHIV Recieving ART at Public Health Center 28



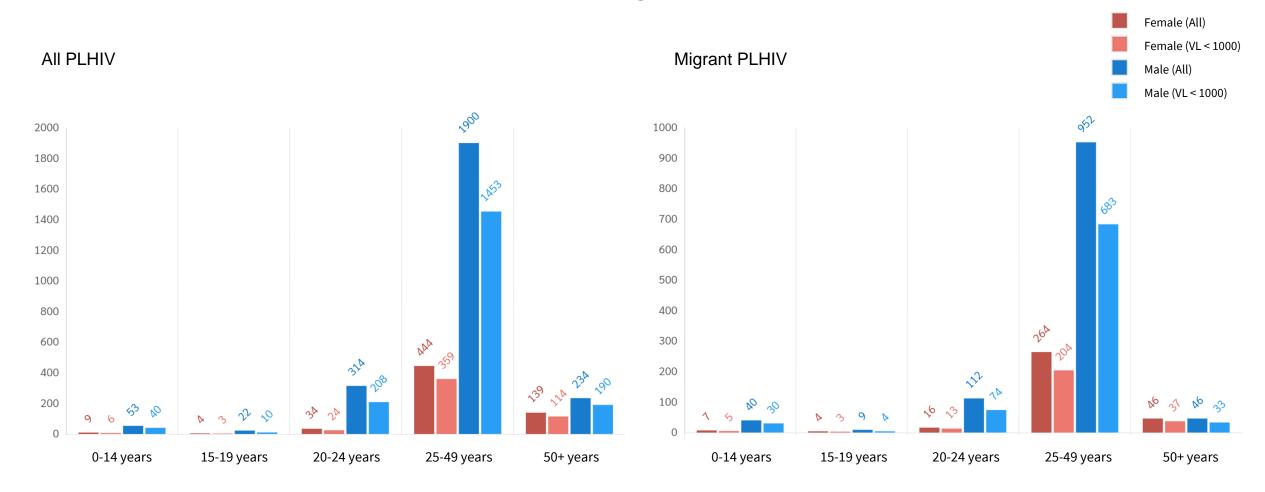


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### Patient Demographic Data





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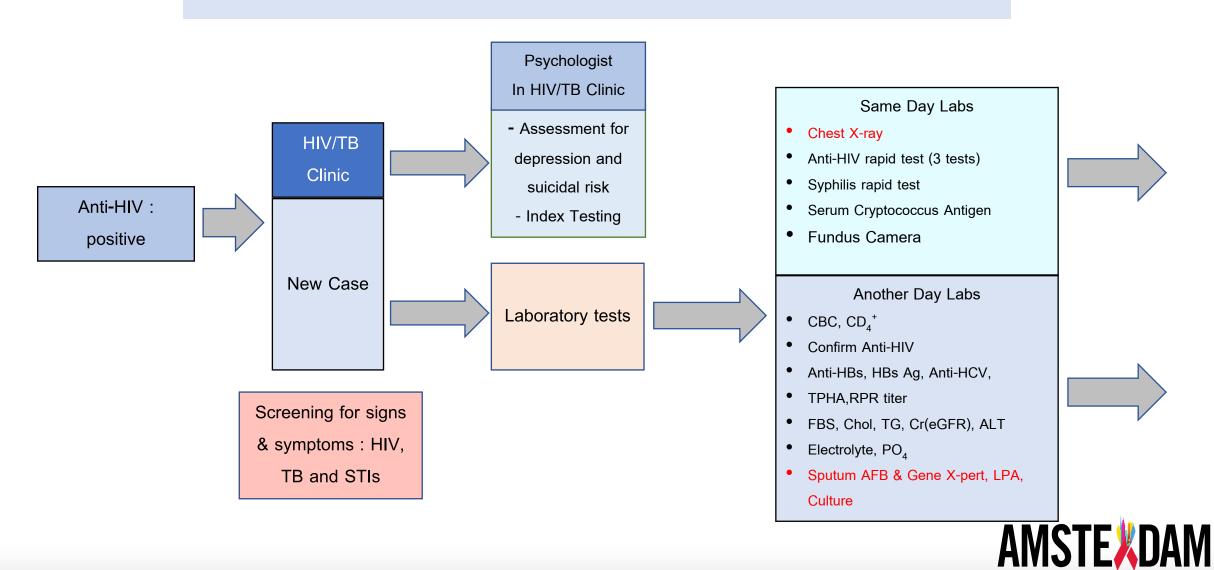
## Description

- TB remains the leading cause of mortality among PLHIV in Thailand
- Public Health Center 28 implemented a comprehensive TB screening and treatment package for PLHIV since 2017
- Our screening methods at the initial visit include
  - TB symptom questionnaires
  - Assessing contact history with TB patients
  - Chest X-rays (CXRs)
  - Molecular techniques for sputum examination (Gene X-pert, LPA)
  - TB culture tests

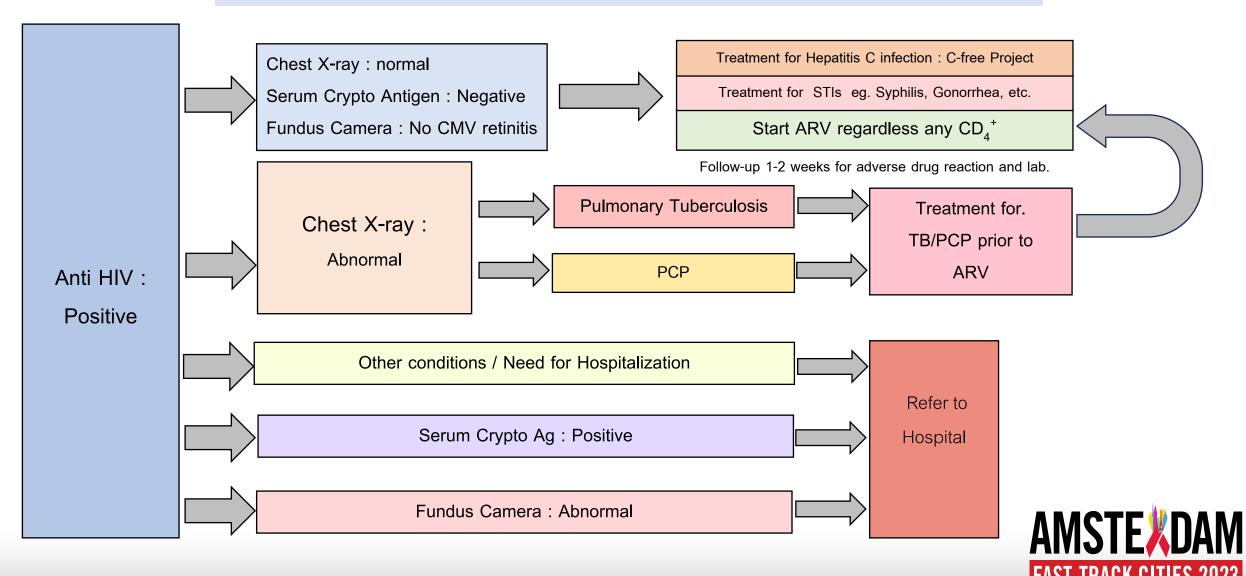


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#### Flow of Services in HIV/STIs Clinic



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# **Description** (cont.)

- TB-negative PLHIVs were screened for latent TB infection (LTBI) :
  - tuberculin skin testing or
  - Interferon-gamma release assays (IGRA)
- LTBI-positive individuals receive tuberculosis preventive therapy (TPT):
  - Regimen :3HP, 1HP, 9H (and Vitamin B6)
- No cases of active TB were detected among PLHIVs after initiating ART at our PCU
- We also employ TB symptom questionnaires, assessing contact history with TB patients and perform annual CXRs during each visit
  - We found three PLHIVs referred to our PCU for continued ART subsequently developed active TB



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 Between October 2017 and September 2022, Public Health Center 28 provided care for 3,627 PLHIVs

246 (6.8%) had TB/HIV co-infection

All 246 individuals successfully had completed their TB treatment and received

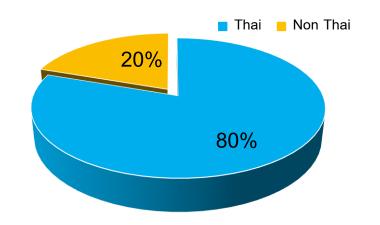
ART altogether without any serious complications



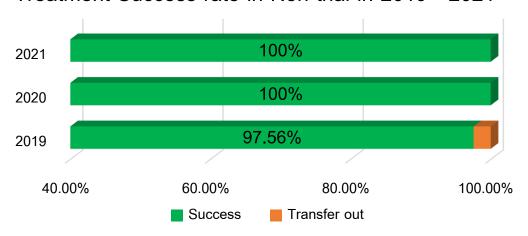
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### **TB in Public Health Center 28**

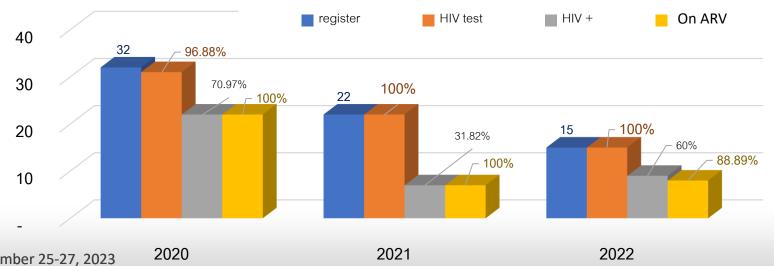
#### TB Cases Notification in 2022



#### Treatment Success rate in Non thai in 2019 - 2021



#### TB HIV in Non Thai in 2020 - 2022





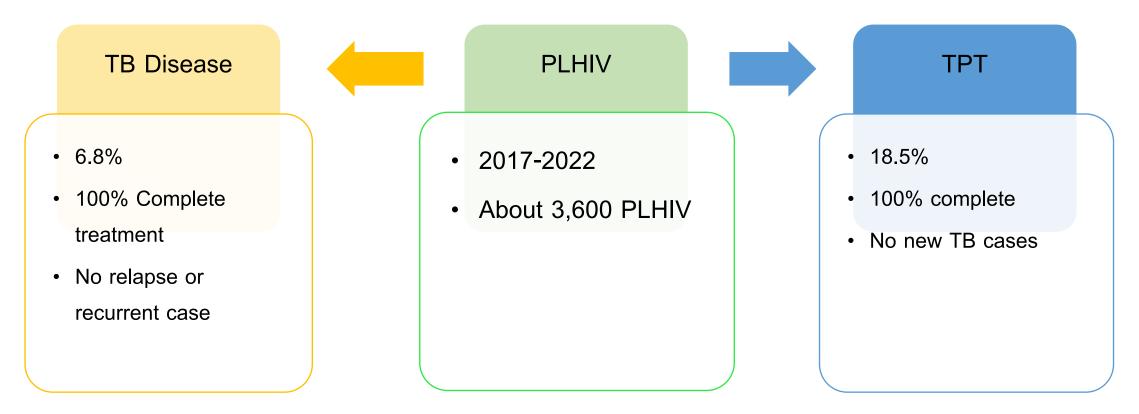
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#### TB Preventive Treatment (TPT)

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022		
Contact case < 5year	17	32	17	17	24		
Contact case ≥ 5year	22	24	19	38	42		
PLHIV	38	43	81	137	372		
Completion rate of TPT							

Target population	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Household contact cases	64.7%	62.5%	89.5%	95%	94.2%
PLHIV	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
$U_{\scriptscriptstyle{5}}$	70%	75%	76.5%	76.5%	83.4%

### **Screeening TB in PLHIV**





### Recommendations

 Implementing a systematic and comprehensive TB screening and prevention package for all PLHIV, including using TB symptom questionnaires during each visit, assessing contact history with TB patients, performing annual CXRs, utilizing molecular techniques for sputum examination, and culture tests

• TB-negative PLHIV should undergo screening for LTBI and receive TPT if diagnosed with LTBI

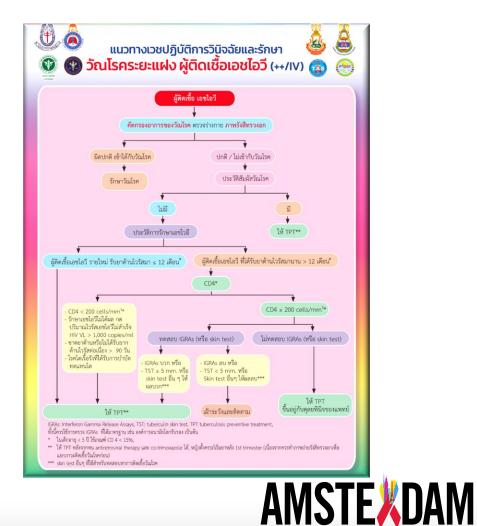
• These measures are crucial for managing TB among PLHIV and reducing TB-related morbidity and mortality



#### Lessons learned to Thai CPG for LTBI in HIV







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