Cervical cancer is the number one cancer killer of women in sub-Saharan Africa (SSA), with roughly 110,000 women diagnosed annually; of these women, about 66% will die from the disease. Women living with HIV (WLHIV) are up to six times more likely to develop persistent precancerous lesions and progress to cervical cancer, often with more aggressive form and higher mortality.

Launched in May 2018 to address this challenge, Go Further is an innovative public-private partnership between the U.S. President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), the George W. Bush Institute, the Joint United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS (UNAIDS), and Merck. The partnership collaborates closely with governments to strategize on ways to provide services for women from prevention through the cancer journey. Go Further began working in eight countries (Botswana, Eswatini, Lesotho, Malawi, Mozambique, Namibia, Zambia, and Zimbabwe), and will expand services to four additional countries (Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Uganda) in fiscal year (FY) 2021. The objectives are to screen all WLHIV on ART between the ages of 25 and 49 for cervical cancer, and to treat pre-invasive cervical cancer lesions to prevent progression to cervical cancer.

### Mozambique Program Highlights

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* For FY19, this is the number of women aged 30+ estimated to be on treatment; otherwise, this is women aged 25-49 on treatment at the end of FYs 18 and 19, respectively.

(Source: PEPFAR Panorama Spotlight)

### Country Context

**Total Population (July 2021 est.)**

30,888,034

(World Factbook)

**Women Aged 15-49**

15.2%

(HIVAIDS 2020)

**Age-standardized Incidence Rate (per 100,000)**

50.2

(https://gco.iarc.fr/)

**Total # of Women (All Ages) On ART**

915,915

(PEPFAR, FY20 Q4)

Source: PEPFAR Panorama Spotlight, data.pepfar.gov
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Results Summary

- In FY20: 213,668 screenings were done, representing 102% of the FY20 target, and 68% of women who screened positive for precancerous lesions were treated.
- Since FY18: 2,846 women have screened positive for suspected invasive cervical cancer. Of the 300,491 screenings, 297,818 (99.1%) were first time screenings, 590 (0.2%) were follow-up screenings, and 2,083 (0.7%) were re-screens.

Implementing Partners (FY21)

- Trustees of Columbia University in the City of New York
- Fundação Ariel Contra o SIDA Pediátrico
- Center for Collaboration in Health
- Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation
- Vanderbilt University Medical Center
- Abt Associates Inc.