





Engaging the Private Health Sector to Sustain National HIV Responses *Examples from Namibia and Tanzania*

Video Transcript

Caroline Quijada, deputy director, SHOPS project:

Namibia is the first country to cover voluntary medical male circumcision as an HIV preventable benefit through private health insurance. SHOPS worked with both the public as well as private sector to agree on a standardized rate for reimbursement, SHOPS trained private provider[s] offering quality male circumcision, and is also providing the supportive elements to be sure that this activity is sustained long after [the] SHOPS project leaves Namibia.

Emmanuel Malangalila, country representative, Tanzania, SHOPS project:

On the HIV and AIDS side, SHOPS is working with a private nurses and midwifery association, which is called PRINMAT—a support in terms of training so that they can [give] PMTCT B+. Also, SHOPS is supporting the Tanzania nurses and midwifery council to develop for the first time the scope of practice for nurses to include HIV [and] AIDS and other public health programs.