



The Ugandan Academy for Health Innovation and Impact

Affected or Infected: An exhibition showcasing the history of HIV in Uganda

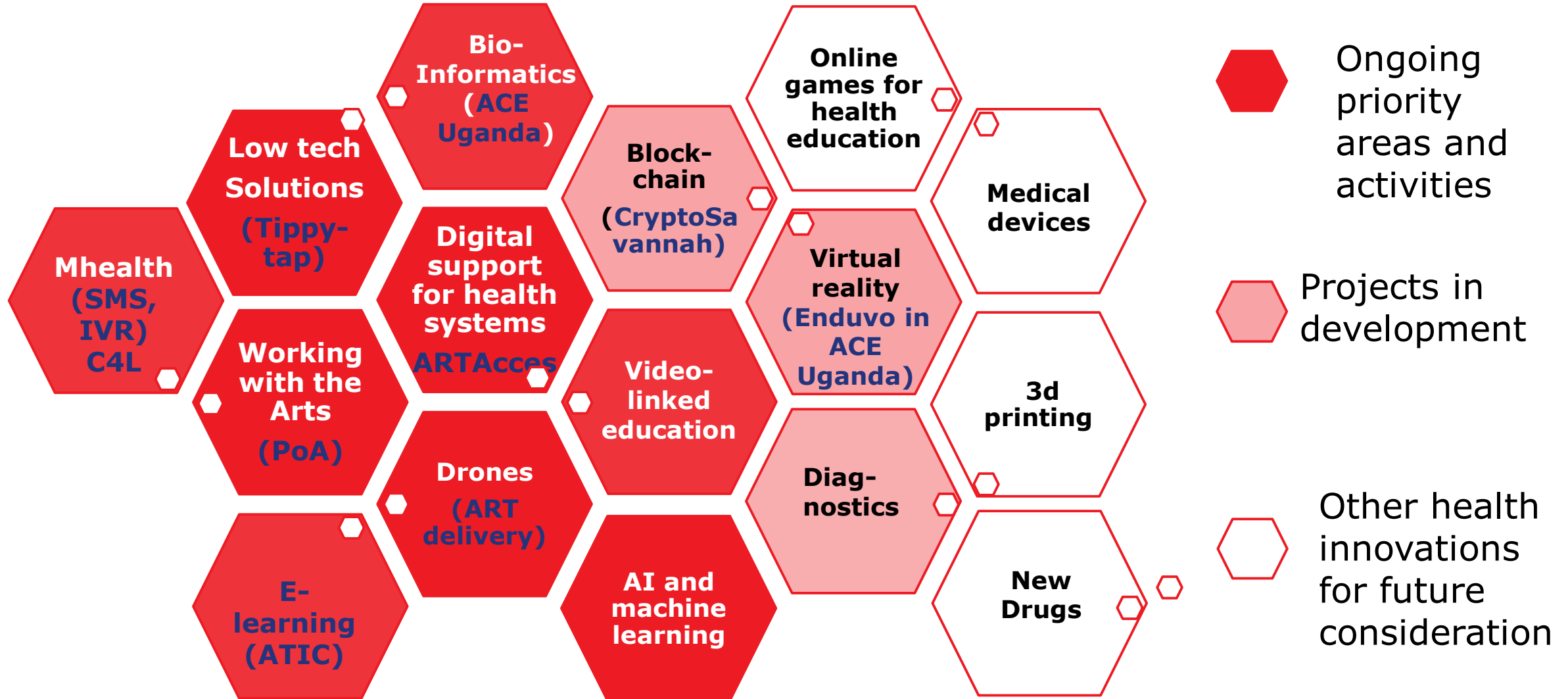
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What we do

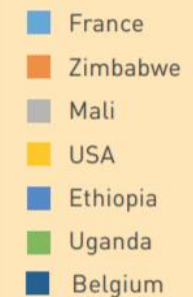
REACH	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	Total reached
Number of patients reached	1,103	7,018	22,354	15,722	46,197
Number of new health care workers accessing on line training tools	531	2,717	5,152	2,967	11,367

- 14 sub-grants to Uganda NGOs/ CBOs/ academics
- 2 software systems developed and funding found for scale up
- 2 National Health Innovations conferences (over 500 attendees)
- 2 national health innovations competitions
- 1 hackathon in association with Andela (over 50 entrants)
- 10 presentations at international conferences
- 6 publications in international peer reviewed journals
- 3 PhD students

HIC 2018 Representation



HIC 2019 Representation



The challenge

- Since 1984 when the first case of HIV/AIDS became known in Uganda, the disease has metamorphosed from being a death sentence to a chronic disease.



Kara Blackmore presenting during the expert clients stakeholders meeting on 26/ 10/2018 at IDI Makerere

The solution

- We collaborated with responsible government agencies (National Museum of Uganda, Uganda AIDS commission) and a key player in the HIV/AIDS fight The AIDS support Organisation through a grant from the Embassy of Ireland and to develop an HIV exhibition detailing the journey of HIV response in Uganda.
- Stakeholder engagements comprising researchers, academicians, politicians, HIV activists, historical figure-heads and PLHIV extensively reviewed audio-visual and print material, artefacts and library collections from government agencies, HIV organizations and private archives.
- Participatory curation led to development of eight themes: **Unknown, Knowing, Believing, Caring, Remembering, Surviving, Testing, treatment and prevention and Advocacy.**

Implementation of the solution

- Over 100,000 materials were collected in digital form from different archives were collected and compiled into one digital archive. An exhibition catalogue was produced on newsprint.
- The exhibition showcased gender inclusive IEC materials, art works, photographs, films, ARVs, condoms, art works and artefacts, herbal and biomedical treatments.
- There was a display of literature including newspapers, drama scripts, policy and guideline documents. In addition to the digital archive, new audio-visual materials such as talking boxes with client testimonies in different languages, video testimonies from experts and a video of the exhibition experience were developed.

Materials collected for exhibition

Different materials were collected, some personal journals, other institutional slides used in the treatment of HIV (The Army, donated by Maj. Ruranga Rubaramira etc)



Launch of the History of HIV Exhibition



The Ambassador of Ireland and the Minister for Presidency launched the exhibition on 28th November 2018. It became open to the public from 1st December World AIDS day till February 2019



Provocative materials in the exhibition

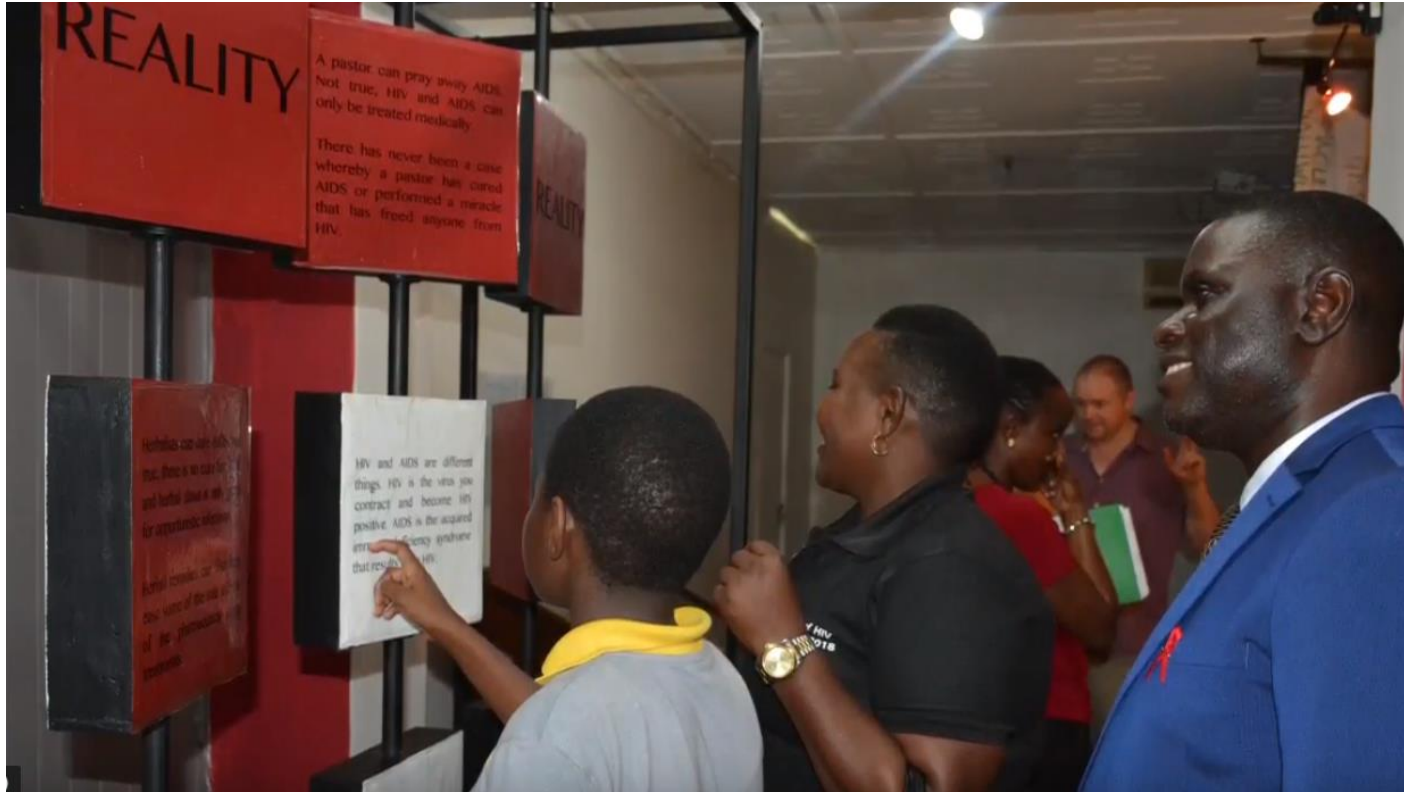


Young adult in the talking box listening to testimonies from different HIV positive clients.



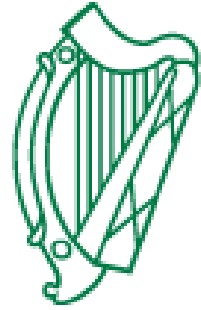
The educational display of the knowledge tree and the ARV bins during the exhibition

Impact of the solution



- The exhibition attracted 2,202 participants (994 females, 1208 males, 290 foreigners, 946 students).

913 people were screened for HIV testing eligibility, 356 were tested and 8 (2.2%) were HIV positive and linked to care.

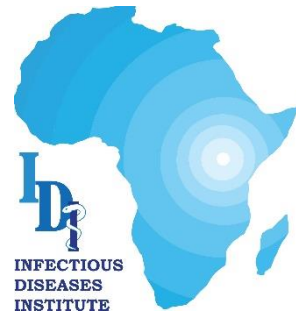


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