

Integrating Gender Issues into AIDS Vaccine Clinical Research: A Training Manual for Sub-Saharan Africa

This publication provides guidance on conducting training to improve awareness and understanding of gender issues relevant to AIDS vaccine clinical research. It contains interactive exercises that can be selected according to the needs of a particular audience, including sessions that offer:



- basic gender concepts for example, issues related to gender identity and gender-based violence;
- gender issues related to HIV such as gender-power dynamics in relationships and condom negotiation;
- gender and sexuality, including, understanding sexual practices and sexual health; and
- gender issues specific to AIDS vaccine research such as barriers to participation, counseling issues, and the social impact of participation.

Potential audiences include:

- staff at clinical research sites including principal investigators, clinicians, counselors, and others;
- members of community advisory boards and other groups involved in community outreach and in supporting the conduct of AIDS vaccine research studies; and
- representatives from organizations involved in other HIV prevention clinical research.