

ADVANCING HUMAN RIGHTS WITHIN THE CONTEXT OF HIV/AIDS SERVICE DELIVERY (Regardless of SOGI)



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**Integrating Rights and Health for MSM and other LGBT Peoples
The role of HIV/AIDS Implementers and PEPFAR**

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Some areas to highlight



- Improving healthcare systems (e.g. Drugs for treatment access, not just for HIV).
- Allowing organising of groups that are marginalised and/or criminalised. (HIV is an opportunity that has been successfully used)
- Creating the space for Advocacy with the state and incrementally bringing in issues that are ‘controversial’
- Allowing a discussion on gender, sex, sexuality beyond just HIV.
- Allowing inter interest-group(s) coordination and collaboration.
- Re-focusing the debate on fundamental human rights.

Health is a fundamental Human Right:



Drugs for treatment access, not just for HIV
e.g. Cancer treatment

Blood Safety
e.g. India's blood safety rulings

Improving
healthcare
systems.

Health Delivery systems are expanded with general benefit
e.g. ARV rollout has necessitated bettering district health infrastructure

Bringing 'underserved' areas within the health purview:
e.g. Neonatal care and SRS

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IDU Organising
e.g. Thai war on
Drugs

MSM/TG
Organising

Sex Worker
Organising

PLHIV organising

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HIV cannot be addressed unless MARPs are addressed.

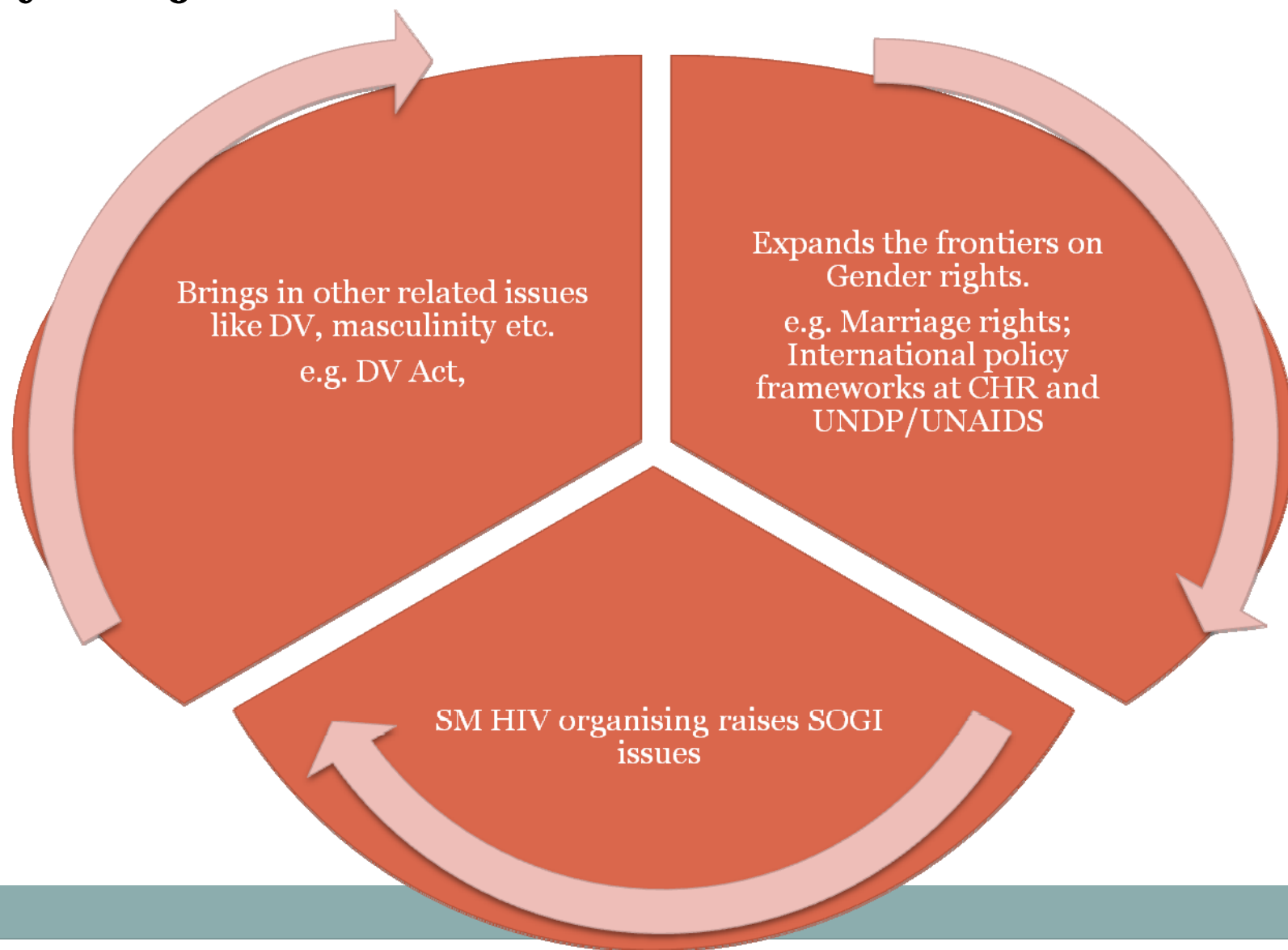


MARPs cannot be addressed unless their rights are addressed



Addressing Rights opens the space for newer rights and entitlements.

Allowing a discussion on gender, sex, sexuality beyond just HIV



Allowing inter interest-group(s) coordination and collaboration

MSM/TG + Sex Worker



IDU + SM



MSM/TG/SM + Women's Rights

Re-focusing the debate on fundamental human rights

MARP

- MARP Rights are essential to HIV prevention success

Rights

- MARP rights cannot be discussed devoid of a rights discourse

Expansion

- Such a discourse expands the rights environment.

Caveat: all is not hunky dory



- Rights are a matter of constant engagement and oppositional activism. (State opposes giving more)
- Rights are also a matter of oppositional entitlements. (one community's rights is another's bane..e.g. marriage, decriminalisation)
- Rights are a matter of resource allocation (One's entitlements are at the cost of another..e.g. UNDP Gender guidelines)
- Rights are often treated as transitional (What happens when HIV is no more an issue?)