

Terms of Reference: W4GF Key Collaborators 2021

1. Introduction

Women4GlobalFund (W4GF) has been working with [Key Collaborators](#) since June 2019. This relationship has ensured more strategic and systematic connection to key W4GF Advocates working at national levels to strengthen existing connections and to expand the W4GF movement.

This group is made up of long standing and active W4GF Advocates working on Country Coordinating Mechanisms (CCMs) and including women who support CCM representative and work to implement grants which advance effective programmes and services for women in all our diversity; that address gender inequality and are financed in part by the Global Fund.

W4GF is guided by its three objectives to sustain a platform with women in all our diversity. The following key areas of work guide the W4GF Team in its role to support women in implementing countries and to strengthen focus on Global Fund policy and process to uphold human rights and achieve gender equality.

- . **Objective 1:** To improve awareness and understanding of Global Fund processes, policies and investment support among women in all their diversity around the world – so women of different backgrounds and experiences become stronger advocates, to influence how the Global Fund achieves gender equity and human rights at all levels;
- . **Objective 2:** To create a platform where women make connections, learn from each other, strategize and collaborate to set priorities for Global Fund advocacy;
- . **Objective 3:** To secure accountability for and critique of Global Fund investments: tracking Global Fund–supported programmes and services, and influencing global and national processes to inform stronger programming for women and girls.

2. Purpose of W4GF Key Collaborators

W4GF Key Collaborators provide guidance to the W4GF Team on its three objectives and sustain the following (ensuring balance of attention to HIV, TB and malaria):

- . Strengthen more dynamic dialogue between the W4GF Team and W4GF Advocates at the forefront, to fine-tune priorities which emerge from discussions at the global/regional and national levels to better inform W4GF direction and strategy.
- . Develop more coordinated global advocacy actions and priorities that align with the national realities and to support the development of key messages on new and emerging issues as they relate to women (and girls) living with HIV, affected by TB and malaria in all our diversity.
- . Identify essential communication resources: This might include anything that is essential to women in the context of the Global Fund. For example: 1) How to run successful processes

What do we mean by diversity?

We represent women in all our diversity. We are engaged at global, regional and national levels in Global Fund processes and structures in key regions most affected by HIV, TB and malaria. We are not homogenous, & we include women living HIV, affected by TB and malaria; heterosexual; lesbian & bisexual; transgender; intersex and non-binary; women who use drugs; sex workers over 18 years old; adolescent girls & young women; Indigenous women; women who are sometimes displaced; migrant women; Indigenous people; and women with visible & invisible disabilities.

around the funding request development through to grant making 2) How W4GF Advocates move forward at the national level – their lessons, successes and challenges.

3. W4GF Key Collaborators Composition

The W4GF Team will strive to ensure that the following are considered at all times with the composition of the group:

- . Diversity in age, gender, sexual orientation and geography;
- . Individuals living with and/or affected by HIV, TB and/or malaria;
- . Expertise across the three diseases; and
- . Expertise in issues affecting and impacting key affected women.

4. Ways of working

The W4GF Key Collaborators will be expected to provide information to the W4GF Team. This could include regular and informal updates on progress, success and/or challenges at the national level. This group will work by:

- . A monthly conference call
- . Communication via e-mail

The W4GF Team will facilitate communication through virtual discussions via Zoom/Skype/Whats App and will organise any required teleconferences. W4GF Key Collaborators will also be acknowledged as such on the W4GF website and be privy to key discussions that guide the work and direction of W4GF. W4GF Key Collaborators, based on the above criteria, should engage on the understanding that they can commit to volunteer the required time and effort and must see this as an extension of their work at the national level and also see this as mutually beneficial.

5. Minimum participation requirements

Although this is voluntary, W4GF Key Collaborators are expected to actively participate. W4GF will provide a small communications allowance of USD200 per year to enable W4GF Key Collaborators to perform their function and meaningfully engage. Key Collaborators are expected to abide by the minimum requirements which are:

- . response to at least 80% of requests for written feedback
- . attendance of at least 80% of all teleconferences.

W4GF Key Collaborators who do not satisfy the above minimum participation criteria will be contacted to resolve the barriers to participation, if possible (e.g., technical issues, communication challenges, lack of time, etc.). If the barrier is not resolved, then the W4GF Team will inform the person and take a decision on possible replacement. If the W4GF Team does not receive any input and/or response from that person, then they will be removed from the group.

6. Duration of this group

W4GF Key Collaborators 2021 will run for 11 months starting November 2021 – September 2022.

Women4GlobalFund (W4GF) is a dynamic global movement of women and gender equality advocates committed to ensuring that Global Fund programmes are gender-transformative to meet the rights and priorities of women and girls in all our diversity. For more information, contact [Sophie Dilmitis](#) Global Coordinator

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