Not Without A Cervix: Accelerating the Cervical Cancer Response

**PCI** has been supporting the Zambia Defense Force (ZDF) to implement integrated facility- and community-based HIV/AIDS and related services in all military units and surrounding communities since 2003.

**August 2011: Initiated the Integrated Mobile HIV testing and Cervical Cancer Screening Program**
- Cervical cancer screening offered to women who access mobile HIV testing and ART services using the opt-out approach.
- Demand creation interventions precede the integrated mobile screening and HIV testing services.
- VIA and cryotherapy provided in a single visit.
- Women with big pre-cancer lesions and HIV-positive women referred to loop electrosurgical excision procedure (LEEP) services and co-located ART services respectively.
- Referral followed through by a cadre of trained community health workers to ensure completion of care.
Integrating cervical cancer screening and management within SRH programs, continued

May 2019:
• Cervical cancer screening offered to women enrolled in the ART clinic or newly enrolled through Test and Start
• Trained ZDF health personnel implementing services in 5 ZDF facilities
• Screening services using visual inspection with acetic acid (VIA)
  • Women with small precancerous lesions treated in a single visit using cryotherapy/cold coagulation
  • Women with big lesions are referred to loop electrosurgical excision procedure (LEEP) available in most district/general/central hospitals and referral completion documented

Upcoming: HPV testing for cervical cancer screening
• Currently test of choice is the Xpert HPV using the GeneXpert platform available in most ZDF facilities
• HIV-positive women will first be tested for HPV and those testing positive will be triaged for VIA screening

Questions for Discussion
• What are key features of other integrated models of care for cervical cancer screening and treatment?
• What are other points of care where CCS&M are being integrated? Family planning? STD counseling/testing? MCH clinics? Are these best suited for HPV testing and triage?
• How are partners/programs integrating HPV vaccines into SRH programs or other programs, e.g. school health services?
• Do integrated service delivery models result in increased demand for both services?
• What are quality of care issues that need to be addressed for these integrated health services?
• How do we advocate at national level to ensure priority populations who are HIV are also receiving cervical cancer screening and treatment?