

## CHALLENGE FACILITY FOR CIVIL SOCIETY

Empowering communities affected by TB to monitor provision of TB services at the community level and advocate for rights of people with TB in Kenya



**LOCATION** Homa-Bay, Kisumu, Mombasa and Nairobi Counties



**TARGET POPULATION(S)** Urban and rural poor, prisoners, PLHIV, drug users, mobile populations, healthcare workers, MSM and sex workers



**IMPLEMENTERS AND PARTNERS** KELIN

## The Kenya Legal & Ethical Issues Network on HIV and AIDS (KELIN)

Kenya



## ABOUT THE PROJECT

**PROBLEM STATEMENT** — Empowering communities affected by TB and key populations to monitor the provision of TB services at the community level and advocate for rights of people with TB in Kenya. Some of the rights we aim to address include, but are not limited to, right to life, dignity, the highest attainable standard of health, freedom from torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, privacy, public participation and justice.

**AIM** — Advocating for a holistic and rights-based approach to TB prevention, treatment and management in Kenya by enhancing the capacity of people affected by TB, key populations and communities to proactively engage in the TB response at the community and national level.

### OBJECTIVES

- 1 To enhance the capacity of TB affected communities to advocate for and demand TB services in four TB high burden counties of Kenya.
- 2 Strengthen networks of TB affected communities in eight TB high burden counties to monitor and demand for accountability in provision of TB services in Kenya.
- 3 Facilitate access to justice for communities affected by TB whose rights have been violated in Kenya.

## STRATEGIC ALIGNMENTS



**CONTRIBUTION TO REACHING KEY UN HLM TARGETS BY 2022.** The project aims to transform the TB response in Kenya by ensuring it is equitable, rights-based and people-centered through the empowerment of TB affected communities and other key vulnerable populations to advocate for and adopt approaches that protect and promote human rights in addressing TB. KELIN will contribute to global commitments that support the adoption of a rights-based approach to TB programming such as Target 7 of the UN HLM on TB and the commitments made through the Political Declaration of the United Nations General Assembly high-level meeting on the fight against TB where countries have pledged to develop integrated, people-centered, community based and gender responsive health services based on human rights.



**ALIGNMENT WITH NATIONAL PRIORITIES AND THE TB STRATEGIC PLAN.** The project supports existing national priorities provided for in the National Strategic Plan for TB Lung Health and Leprosy 2019-2023 which recommends the 'empowerment of communities on rights as a measure to achieve a rights-based approach to TB programming'. Priority gaps identified include the lack of a rights-based approach in the management, treatment, care and support of TB patients and gender related barriers to TB services. The foregoing gaps in our national TB response will, to a large extent, benefit from KELIN's project interventions.





## ABOUT KELIN

KELIN is a Non-Governmental Organization that has advocated for a rights-based approach to HIV-related strategies and programmes at the national and county level since 2001. It has done this through a variety of training programmes, advocacy campaigns and litigation on matters relating to HIV law and the rights of people living with and affected by HIV. Over the years, KELIN has expanded its focus to include the right to health in four thematic areas namely, HIV & TB; Sexual & Reproductive Health; Women, Land & Property; and Key & Affected Populations. KELIN's mission is to continue to promote and protect health related human rights for all.