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FOR THE \$85 MILLION DREAMS SOLUTIONS

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PROVISIONAL WINNERS FOR PEPFAR'S DREAMS INNOVATION CHALLENGE ANNOUNCED----- Provisional Winners for PEPFAR's DREAMS Innovation Challenge has been officially announced last June 18, the U.S. President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), along with Janssen Pharmaceutica NV and ViiV Healthcare, announced 56 provisional winners in 10 sub-Saharan African countries as part of the \$85 million DREAMS (Determined, Resilient, Empowered, AIDS-free, Mentored, and Safe) Innovation Challenge. The winners selected will implement innovative solutions in DREAMS districts, across all DREAMS countries and Challenge focus areas. The top three implementation countries " Kenya, South Africa, and Uganda " account for 64 percent of the winners. Of the winners, 18 percent will provide a bridge to employment for adolescent girls and young women; 23 percent will strengthen capacity of local organizations to deliver services; and 9 percent will apply data to increase the impact of HIV and AIDS interventions. The DREAMS Innovation Challenge will accelerate progress toward the DREAMS target of achieving a 40 percent reduction in new HIV infections among adolescent girls and young women in the highest-burden areas of 10 sub-Saharan African countries by the end of 2017.

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