



# Coordinating with Communities

Part C: Action Cards



Guidelines on the Involvement  
of the Community Sector in  
the Coordination of National  
AIDS Responses

The following Action Cards include descriptions of key steps aimed to support active and meaningful community sector involvement in national coordination of the HIV/AIDS responses in line with the 'Three Ones' principles.

Facilitation. Most of the steps within the Action Cards require facilitators. Depending on the national context, this could be done by recognised and respected community leaders or organisations. However, where agreed leaders or lead organisations do not exist, or where it is preferable, a group of community sector stakeholders could convene a joint coordination/working group to initiate action.

Donor support. In addition, many of the steps within the action cards require donors to offer financial support and, if appropriate, support for capacity building to the community sector.

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