

# **Best Current Practice to reaching to Young KPs**

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Do you **See** me?



-More than **40%** of new infections is among young people aged 15-24

-**95%** of new infections in young people are in YKP (5% of young people)



# What is **Youth LEAD**

The Asia-Pacific Regional Network of Young People from Key Populations

Affected by or at high risk of exposure to HIV

Young sex workers, young PWID, young MSM, young TG, young PLHIV

- Only regional YKP-led network in the world
- Started 3 years ago as a pilot ... now registered as an NGO in Thailand
- More than 50 focal points in 20 countries in the region
  - All young people from and/or working with affected communities

## **Below are priority issues for an effective response to the specific needs of young key populations in Asia and the Pacific**

- **Youth Friendly Services**
- **Meaningful youth participation**
- **Legal environment**
- **Comprehensive Sexual Education(CSE)**



This is where we can come closest to achieving the three zero's. And when we are talking about young people , **we should never left YKP behind**

Bringing focus to

- **Build Capacity** ( New Gen leadership training )
- **Support YKP led/ design and implement** programs on the ground
- Provide space to **participate meaningfully** at different platforms





# DRIVING CHANGE THROUGH LEADERSHIP



We are young people in Asia and the Pacific. We invite change  
We call for change, **we are part of that change.**

