

**What challenges exist with providing effective prevention/intervention programs to vulnerable populations on a global level?**

Provide at least one example to support your answers and providing additional information. You can select a program that addresses several vulnerable populations or just one.

On a global level, challenges that affect providing effective prevention/interventions programs to vulnerable populations, are the effects of money and stigma towards HIV and AIDS. For example, in China, they currently practice public health plans towards HIV testing and AIDS treatment, and also therapy helping drug users in lowering their own personal risk in receiving and transmitting HIV. In the past, the number of infected individuals was increasing so quickly, it was projected that the numbers would reach 10 million people by 2010 if nothing were to be done. Getting to where they are moving towards and are at now, was no easy task. A challenge they faced was ensuring the government to act towards in reducing those projected numbers. The stigma that was present become in the way of implementing positive measures in preventing and treating the infection. But after displaying the reality of what is occurring, and how many people are being infected and how quickly to the government and public, helped China move in a positive direction with dealing with HIV and AIDS.

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