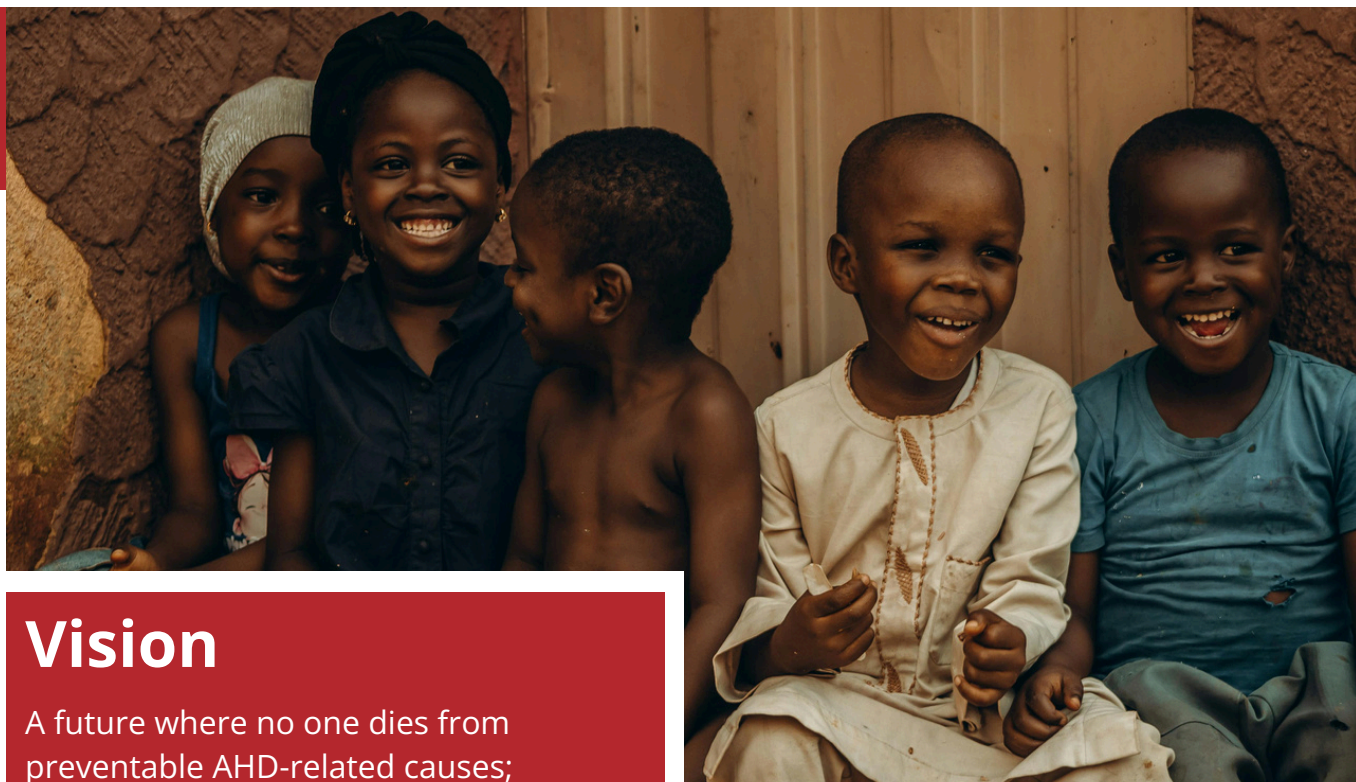




ACCRA DECLARATION

ADVANCING THE FUTURE OF AHD CARE IN AFRICA



Vision

A future where no one dies from preventable AHD-related causes; where every child receives timely diagnosis and compassionate care; and where families and communities are empowered as partners in health.

A future where:

- CD4, CrAg, and TB-LAM diagnostics are available in every health facility.
- Community- and family-led responses are recognised, funded, and institutionalised.
- Francophone and Anglophone countries move forward together, sharing knowledge, innovation, and solidarity.
- Children, adolescents, and caregivers are heard, protected, and respected.

A Renewed Call to Action on Advanced HIV Disease

The Accra Declaration on Paediatric Advanced HIV Disease (AHD) builds on the Nairobi Declaration, calling for urgent action to address AHD as a public health emergency.

It emphasizes the need for equitable access to diagnostics, timely treatment, and family-centered care, particularly for children, adolescents, and families who are often overlooked. Developed through community engagement under the IMPAACT4HIV project, the Declaration urges governments and global partners to commit to ending preventable AHD-related deaths.

CALL TO ACTION

To African Governments

African governments must restore CD4 testing, ensure access to AHD treatments, and strengthen community-led care to save lives now.

- Integrate AHD and paediatric HIV priorities into national HIV plans.
- Restore and expand CD4 testing as an essential clinical entry point.
- Ensure full availability of the AHD care package (TB-LAM, CrAg, fluconazole, liposomal amphotericin B).
- Institutionalise family-centred, community-delivered services within primary-care networks.
- Include AHD and paediatric indicators in national monitoring systems.
- Allocate domestic resources to sustain services and address regional inequities.

- Recognise AHD as a continental public-health priority.
- Mobilise political and financial leadership to end preventable AHD deaths by 2030.
- Promote cross-country collaboration and bilingual knowledge exchange.
- Harmonise regulatory and procurement pathways for AHD diagnostics and medicines.
- Track progress annually through Africa CDC and AU Health Strategy mechanisms.

To Regional Bodies (AU, ECOWAS, SADC)

AHD is a regional challenge. AU, ECOWAS, and SADC must harmonise policies, strengthen procurement systems, and drive accountability to end preventable AHD deaths across Africa.

To Global Partners and Donors

Global partners and donors must bridge funding gaps, support community-led innovation, and ensure equitable access to lifesaving AHD diagnostics and treatment across Africa.

- Bridge funding and innovation divides between Francophone and Anglophone countries.
- Support community-led and paediatric-focused innovations with measurable impact.
- Invest in digital platforms and data systems for equitable monitoring.
- Align investments with the Global AIDS Strategy 2021–2026 and the WHO AHD Framework (2023).
- Fund African-led capacity building for paediatric and family-centred care.

This Declaration calls for coordinated action to close the gaps that allow AHD to continue claiming lives across Africa. By endorsing it, we commit to delivering the diagnostics, medicines, and community-led care needed to save lives now!