

# World AIDS Day-1 December 2015: Global Campaigns and Challenges

## Editorial

In 1988, the first World AIDS Day was held after the health ministers from around the world met in London, United Kingdom to ensure universal care, treatment and support for persons living with HIV and AIDS. The theme of this year is “Getting to zero”, Zero New HIV Infections, Zero Discrimination, and Zero AIDS-related deaths. Since 2000, the world has come a long way achieving the global target of reversing the spread of HIV.

New HIV infections have decreased around 35%, whereas the AIDS-related deaths decreased by 24%. Currently, about 16 million persons are receiving the antiretroviral treatment that some people are calling it revolutionary. New WHO recommendations, such as offering a wider spectrum of prevention options, the use of innovative HIV testing methods, and the customizing treatment approaches to meet the Sustainable Development Goal target of ending the HIV/AIDS epidemic by 2030.

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