

POLICY ANALYSIS TOOL

Enabling Environment: Advancing Human Rights and Access to Justice



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This tool is adapted from the “Framework for Women, Girls, and Gender Equality in National Strategic Plans on HIV and AIDS in Southern and Eastern Africa.” The original Framework is a collaborative initiative of 19 organisations. For more information, please visit <http://heard.ukzn.ac.za/Homepage.aspx> and <http://www.athenanetwork.org>.

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<i>Specific interventions and approaches should include:</i>	Strength	Gap	Priority	Comments
Supportive legal and policy frameworks				
Elimination of all forms of violence and discrimination on the basis of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIV status • gender • sexual orientation 				
Women's enjoyment of equal rights in marriage and co-habitation, and protection of rights with respect to separation, divorce, and child custody				
Women's property and inheritance rights				
Women's access to justice and equal protection and benefit of the law				
Decriminalisation of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • HIV status and transmission • sexual orientation • gender identity • sex work • abortion 				
Elimination of all forms of coercive and discriminatory practices in health care settings, such as coerced and forced sterilisation				
Strategies to reduce women's economic independence on men				
Access to resources, including skills training and credit facilities				
Access to social security				
Access to housing				
Access to employment				
Access to education				
Interventions to alleviate stigma and discrimination on the basis of HIV status, gender and sexual orientation				
"Know your rights" initiatives and campaigns to empower and educate women and men, including boys and girls, on human rights in gender and women's right in particular				
Overall score on this component				