

American Model United Nations World Conference on Youth

WCY/I/2

SUBJECT OF RESOLUTION: Promoting healthy lives and access to quality health care

SUBMITTED TO: The World Conference on Youth

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1 *Recognizing* the significance of the Universal Declaration on Human Rights, of which Article 25 enumerates 2 the right to health and an adequate standard of living,

Reaffirming the 90-90-90 goal, supported by the United Nations Programme on the human immunodeficiency virus and acquired immunodeficiency syndrome (HIV/AIDS), which aims to make more people aware of their HIV/AIDS status and available treatment options,

Further recalling that the Convention on the Rights of the Child promotes the exchange of information in the field of preventative health,

8 *Noting* that the World Programme of Action on Youth encourages Member States to provide basic health 9 services and to develop health education programs,

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Further affirming General Assembly resolution 70/266 (22 June 2016), which addresses the fight against AIDS and aims to end the AIDS epidemic by the year 2030,

15 Declaring Member States to look to United Nations Programme on HIV/AIDS Prevention 2020 Road Map 16 for guidance in creating and implementing preventative measures,

Noting with concern the funding concerns of some Member States in how to fund and maintain HIV/AIDS
prevention and treatment programs,

19 *Realizing* that the high prevalence of HIV/AIDS is a major issue regarding youth development and negatively 20 impacts the future of those affected,

1. Calls upon Member States to evaluate their domestic programs and institutions that address HIV/AIDS in accordance with established international standards;

23 2. *Recommends* Member States to include youth in decision making and policy formulation, so that they 24 may contribute to areas in prevention and treatment that need improvement;

3. *Encourages* Member States to implement age-appropriate education programs at the primary and secondary school levels to begin de-stigmatizing HIV/AIDS;

4. Urges Member States to include, inter alia, the following information in their age-appropriate education programs:

- (a) HIV is a sexually transmitted disease and can be transmitted by sharing bodily fluids;
- 30 (b) sexual activity, as well as needles, syringes and breast milk can spread HIV;

(c) certain populations of youth, such as those in low-income communities and rural areas, face a
higher risk than others;

- 33 (d) locations where youth may be tested and treated, should they think they have HIV;
- 34 (e) detailed information on treatment options;

(f) information regarding the option of pre-exposure prophylaxis (PrEP) drugs, which can be taken
by those considered to be at high-risk for HIV;

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(g) information regarding the option of post-exposure prophylaxis (PEP), which can reduce infection
after exposure to the virus;

5. *Requests* Member States to include all available treatment options when disseminating information, including, but not limited to, antiretroviral drugs with the eventual goal of viral suppression of HIV;

6. *Calls upon* Member States to ensure traditionally underserved youth have access to prevention and treatment options;

43 7. *Further calls upon* Member States to seek out relevant non-state actors as partners, so that they may 44 work together to inform youth and provide funding for prevention and treatment programs.

Passed, Yes: 44 / No: 16 / Abstain: 15