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response to HIV and to address issues of central importance to the development of new prevention technologies.

IAVI and its partners have, for example, successfully advocated for the inclusion of language in the 2011 United Nations Political Declaration on HIV/AIDS that stresses the need for research into both HIV vaccines and a cure for AIDS, as well as the deployment

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of all new prevention tools and strategies in the global response to the pandemic. The organization also recently worked with partners to develop guidelines to protect the rights and dignity of men who have sex with men (MSM) in HIV research, and to address their particular needs in such efforts. IAVI also works with several leading HIV prevention organizations on policy projects that support mobilization, such as collecting data on global resources dedicated to the research and development of new biomedical tools for HIV prevention.



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leading infectious diseases. Yet devising an effective vaccine to prevent HIV remains one of the greatest scientific challenges of our time. Researchers have, however, made major progress in recent years toward developing such vaccines.

Learn more about:

- HIV vaccine literacy and IAVI's comprehensive *VaxLit Toolkit*

- The HIV/AIDS pandemic, how vaccines work and types of vaccines
- HIV vaccine-related terms in a glossary authored by United States National Institute of Allergy and Infectious Diseases
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### ENGAGE

IAVI and its partners strive to provide information to communities affected by HIV, particularly in developing countries, about AIDS vaccine development and the rights and responsibilities of participation in such research. These HIV vaccine literacy efforts help create an atmosphere supportive of vaccine development, prepare communities for the conduct of HIV vaccine research and help people make genuinely informed decisions about whether or not they will participate in those studies.

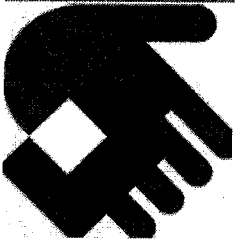
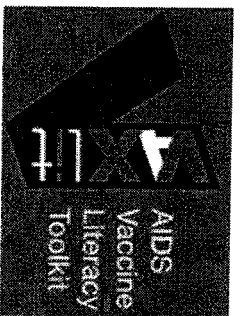
IAVI and its partners promote vaccine literacy in a broad range of audiences, including clinical research volunteers, advocates, medical professionals and journalists. In support of such work, IAVI's VaxLit initiative has created a toolkit that advocates and research center staff can use to inform others about AIDS vaccine development and the processes essential to its rigorous and ethical conduct.

The VaxLit Toolkit—which includes a reference manual, a participatory training guide, fact sheets, powerpoint slides and a user guide—is written in language accessible to people with minimal education and no scientific background. It can be adapted to suit various cultural and linguistic contexts and is intended for use by the HIV and AIDS field at large, not just IAVI and its affiliated research centers.

### VAXLIT TOOLKIT

- Complete Toolkit
- Reference Manual
- Training Guide
- AIDS Vaccine Research: FAQ (fact sheet)
- Myths & Misconceptions (fact sheet)
- AIDS Vaccines in Perspective (fact sheet)
- PowerPoint Presentations
- CD-ROM User Guide

IAVI and its partners use the toolkit to inform civil society groups about AIDS vaccine R&D, train trainers working in other HIV intervention programs, and to educate Community Advisory Board members, medical professionals and staff at clinical research centers.



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