

Government of Akwa Ibom State

Akwa Ibom State Agency for the Control of Aids (AKSACA)

HIV&AIDS Programme Development Project II (HPDP2)

(World Bank Assisted)

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Request for Expression of Interest

(IDA CREDIT No. 45960)

Advertisement for Civil Society Organizations (CSOs) including Non Government Organizations, Faith Based Organizations, Civil Society Networks, Private Sector Organizations and Community Based Organizations to Provide Services

Issuance Date: 18th Nov, 2013

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i) Female Sex Workers

Geographic Area of Coverage

Uyo, Etinan, Uruan, Ikono, Ikot Ekpene, Abak, Essien Udim, Eket, Oron,

Mbo, Ikot Abasi, Okobo, Nsit Ibom

1. Prevention for Other Vulnerable Populations

i) Prison Inmates

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1. **3. Prevention for Positives**

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Obot Akara, Ibeno. Oron, Mbo, Ikot Abasi, Okobo

4. Prevention for:

(a) General Population

Geographic Area of Coverage

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