AIDS control in sub-Saharan Africa—are more drugs and money the solution?

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SUMMARY

As the devastating consequences of the AIDS epidemic in sub-Saharan Africa have become more evident and widely publicised, actors on the international scene have raised their voices and requested more money and drugs for AIDS control. It is, however, evident that AIDS control takes place in a context of failing government systems with limited absorption capacity. So would money and drugs really help solve the problems? African governments are under increasing pressure to improve public access to treatment as discussed in the January issue of this journal.