



Plenary Speaker Bios

Gregg GONSALVES (United States)

ART Scale Up

Gregg Gonsalves coordinates a program to educate communities in Southern Africa on AIDS and TB treatment, and how to advocate for their rights to health care, which is administered by the AIDS and Rights Alliance for Southern Africa (ARASA), based in Cape Town. As the only regional network on human rights and AIDS in Southern Africa, ARASA promotes a rights-based response to the epidemic through advocacy, training and capacity-building. Mr. Gonsalves is a person openly living with HIV. Mr. Gonsalves is also affiliated with the Treatment Action Campaign in South Africa. He has worked on behalf of the rights of People Living with HIV since 1990, first as a member of the AIDS Coalition to Unleash Power (Act Up) in Boston, Massachusetts, and then as part of Act Up New York. In 1992, he co-founded the Treatment Action Group (TAG), which focuses exclusively on AIDS research and drug development policy and advocacy; he was the Policy Director until 2000. From 2000-2006, Mr. Gonsalves was the Director of Treatment and Prevention Advocacy at Gay Men's Health Crisis in New York. He is also one of the Founders of the International Treatment Preparedness Coalition (ITPC), a network of over 1,000 people from over 125 countries advocating for AIDS and TB services. In March 2008, the US-based John M. Lloyd Foundation awarded Mr. Gonsalves the John M. Lloyd AIDS Leadership Award in recognition of his professional accomplishments.