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- Every person should have access to a condom when he/she needs it
- Primary strategy: free supply of condoms to HRGs through TI NGOs/CBOs
- Secondary strategy: promoting social marketing of condoms through Social Marketing Organizations

Community Mobilization

- Community members get to participate in collective decision-making
- Formation of various committees like DIC Management Committee and Clinic Committee empowers the community
- Community mobilization creates community norms for service uptake and safe sexual behaviours

Referrals and Linkages

- Linkages to STI and health services with strong referral and follow-up
- Promotion/distribution of commodities including free condoms, lubricants, needles/syringes
- Linkages to other health services (e.g. for TB) and voluntary counselling and testing centres (VCTCs)
- Provision of safe spaces (DICs)

Management of Sexually Transmitted Infections

- STI services: an opportunity for prevention education to the individual as well as to his/her partner
- Planning for STI services done with the HRGs
- Clinicians should have an attitude of respect towards the community
- Availability of services should be as per the needs of the community
- Accessibility of services at optimal locations

Enabling Environment

- To enable HRGs to negotiate safer sex, TIs must address several vulnerabilities
- Vulnerability within the sex circuit includes aspects such as violence, and exploitation by clients
- Broader socio-economic vulnerabilities include factors such as poverty and illiteracy
- Reduction of vulnerabilities entails creating a crisis response system
- It also calls for advocacy with policy makers, law enforcers and opinion leaders

Behaviour Change Communication

- It is vital to change the community's behavior to ensure that they indulge in safer sex
- This involves creating awareness about the importance of using condoms, services available for STIs and the importance of regular screening
- It also means creating a demand for these services
- Tis need to encourage analytical thinking and problem-solving among HRGs so as to help them overcome their barriers to HIV/STI risk reduction