



# AHF Around the Globe



## AHF Europe: 50,000 in Care and Climbing

In April, AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) Europe crossed a momentous milestone – 50,000 patients in care in partnership with the region’s national treatment programs.

AHF-supported sites in Russia and Ukraine account for the majority of these clients. The achievement is particularly remarkable because Eastern Europe and Central Asia (EECA) is the only region of the world where the HIV epidemic continues to rapidly expand.

“This is a tremendous achievement for the AHF Europe team and our partners, only our joint work makes it possible to provide cutting-edge care and treatment to over 15% of those who receive treatment in Eastern Europe and Central Asia, where ART (antiretroviral therapy) coverage is the lowest in the world,” said **Zoya Shabarova**, AHF Europe Bureau Chief.



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## AHF-supported School in China Graduates First Class



Hu Zetao, a teenage boy from Linfen, China is among the students of the first graduating class at the Red Ribbon boarding school for HIV positive children. Hu was born with HIV and has spent the past 11 years at the school, which cares for and shelters children shunned and abandoned by their communities because of HIV stigma. AIDS Healthcare Foundation (AHF) has been a proud sponsor of the school's vital work since 2006.

Hu recently garnered media attention after he penned an open letter in March recounting his experience at the school and thanking his teachers and those who had supported him during his studies. He also expressed his fears about stepping away from the umbrella of protection at Linfen and entering the adult world as he prepares to go to college.



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We applaud the efforts to connect people living with HIV through awareness, and recognize there is still much work to be done. Through our [Keep the Promise](#) campaign, our goal is to fund the war on AIDS and get more than 20 million HIV+ people around the world on treatment by the year 2020.

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