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Nittaya Phanuphak is the Chief of PREVENTION at the Thai Red Cross AIDS Research Centre in Bangkok, Thailand. She has deep interest in the use of Key Population-Led Health Service (KPLHS) approaches to enhance access to HIV testing, prevention and treatment among men who have sex with men and transgender women. She currently oversees the establishment of a national platform for accreditation and legalization of KP lay providers to ensure domestic funding towards KPLHS sustainability.

The Tangerine Clinic, established and led by transgender people to provide integrated hormone and sexual health services in Bangkok, is a successful KPLHS example which has served more than 3,000 transgender clients over a 3-year period. The model is being expanded to community-based organizations, as well as public and private clinics, in a few countries in South-East Asia.

Dr Phanuphak has served as the Asia Pacific representative in the IAS Governing Council since 2018.