

HAITI GRANTS - 2006

Grant: 091026 : Support Basic Health Services and HIV/AIDS

Period: 1 Jun 2002 – 31 December, 2006

Total Grant: \$1,000,000

Donor: Inter American Development Bank (IDB)

Basic project description

The program will provide technical assistance for (a) developing, monitoring, and adjusting a National Strategic Plan (NSP) for combating HIV/AIDS in Haiti, (b) designing, implementing, and evaluating a Local Capacity-Building Initiative to strengthen and integrate existing networks of care for HIV/AIDS-related services in at least two municipalities outside Port-Au Prince, and (c) improving the institutional capacities required for the screening of blood and its derivatives for HIV and other infectious diseases.

The NSP will be developed with the participation of civil society organizations and other international agencies working in HIV/AIDS in Haiti. Beyond developing a framework for HIV/AIDS interventions in the Country, the project will also finance the development of prioritization and costing mechanisms for an incremental implementation plan, and the design of a monitoring and evaluation system for the NSP.

The initiative for strengthening and integrating existing local networks will be based on a capacity-building approach to local development and will be focused on the delivery of social and community services for persons living with HIV/AIDS (PLHAs) as well as for the general community.

The blood safety program will be aimed at improving the quality of the regulatory and supervisory role the Ministry of Health holds in controlling blood supply and distribution in the Country. The project will also provide technical assistance for improvements in the surveillance of blood supplies and in the coordination with civil society organizations dealing with blood and its derivatives.

The specialized Project Management Organization (PMO) will provide comprehensive management and consulting services for the execution of the operation throughout the project's life-cycle. These terms of reference describe the goals, content, and activities that the PMO shall carry out in each stage of the project cycle.

Service goals are (a) To prepare the early-implementation activities leading to a successful completion of the project; (b) To execute program activities following agreed-upon methods, procedures, and timeline; (c) To monitor project execution and adopt measures to guarantee timely achievement of project outputs; and (d) To evaluate project results.