

BELIZE

NATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR PAHO TECHNICAL COOPERATION

- > Communicable diseases, prevention and control.
- > Prevention and control of lifestyle-related health problems, including factors affecting vulnerable groups.
- > Health systems and services development.
- > Promotion of safe and healthy environments.
- > Disaster management and risk reduction.

PROJECTS

COUNTRY PROGRAM SUPPORT

PURPOSE

To support the delivery of technical cooperation of PWR Belize through the implementation of administrative procedures according to PAHO's policies and regulations.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Administrative personnel compensated.
- Personnel management strengthened.
- General operation management strengthened.
- Information systems in the office improved.
- Processes supported for the development and implementation of technical programs .
- Operational program strengthened to prevent and control of rabies in the country .
- Food and nutrition security TCC developed and implemented.
- National Health Information System of Belize and Turks and Caicos strengthened.
- Second phase of TCC on the development of National Drug Policy completed.
- TCC on Food Safety Belize -Jamaica developed and implemented.

DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL

PURPOSE

To support the Ministry of Health in strengthening its capacity to prevent and control diseases and reduce risks.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Surveillance system developed for obesity and priority NCDs: diabetes, hypertension, and cancer.
- Technical support provided to address the national response to HIV/AIDS .
- Support provided for the development of policies and legislations to improve road safety.
- Mental health programs of the Ministry of Health and the Mental Health Association strengthened.
- Program strengthened for the surveillance and control of communicable diseases, with special emphasis on dengue, tuberculosis, and malaria.

HEALTH PROMOTION AND PROTECTION

PURPOSE

To improve the health and well-being of the Belizean population by means of healthier lifestyles and improved social environments.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Policies, projects, and plans developed to foster healthier lifestyles.
- Support provided for the development and implementation of a comprehensive healthy municipality action plan.
- The effectiveness of the School Health Program strengthened.
- Support provided for the development and implementation of a reproductive health initiative in accordance with the sexual and reproductive health policy.
- Support provided to nutrition activities throughout the biennium.
- Family Violence Program strengthened within the Ministry of Health.
- Support provided to the Food and Nutrition Security Project throughout the biennium.

HEALTH SYSTEMS AND SERVICES DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE

To support the Government of Belize in strengthening the stewardship role of the Ministry of Health.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Performance and capacity of the Ministry of Health improved in discharging the EPHF.
- Support provided for the adoption and application of the methodology for monitoring and evaluating HSR.
- Improved capacity for collecting, processing, and disseminating information and for evidence-based decision-making.
- Improved institutional capacity for developing policies for public health planning and management and for improving equity and quality in health.
- Direct support provided for the development of a strategic plan for human resources development and training.
- Support provided for the development and implementation of quality assurance mechanisms.
- Capacity for disseminating information enhanced.
- Programs for the Integrated Management of Childhood Illnesses (IMCI) strengthened and maintained.
- National disaster management capacity increased and support provided to promote risk-reduction initiatives.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE

To support the promotion, creation, and conservation of safe and healthy environments.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Water quality monitoring and treatment program improved.
- National and local capacities strengthened in the management of solid and liquid waste.
- Support provided for the implementation of a national workers' health plan.
- Vector-control program strengthened throughout the country.
- National food safety program strengthened.
- Program implemented on alternatives for malaria control without the use of DDT.

RESOURCES (US\$)

		Regular budget	Other sources	All funds
Total 2002-2003		1,127,800	348,100	1,475,900
Total 2004-2005		1,158,300	-	1,158,300
Percentage of estimated expenditure	Country program support	83%	-	83%
	Intersectoral action and sustainable Development	6%	-	6%
	Health information and technology	1%	-	1%
	Universal access to health	3%	-	3%
	Disease control and risk management	3%	-	3%
	Family and community health	4%	-	4%