

# GUATEMALA

## NATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR PAHO TECHNICAL COOPERATION

- > Strengthen the steering role, leadership, and management of the Ministry of Public Health at the national level and in the health areas, with emphasis on decentralization at departmental and municipal levels, and strengthening of the Comprehensive Health Care System (SIAS) at its three levels of care.
- > Promote public policies to universalize social protection, promote equity, and reduce social exclusion in health.
- > Cooperate in promoting food and nutrition security, a reduction in maternal and child mortality, and the prevention and control of priority communicable diseases, with emphasis on priority municipios and priority populations for poverty reduction (indigenous population, migrants, displaced persons).
- > Cooperate in strengthening the water and sanitation sector, with emphasis on the most vulnerable priority populations.
- > Build strategic partnerships within the framework of the United Nations system, with the international community of partners and donors, and with other organizations, to strengthen national capacity to implement the Health Plan and commitments under the Peace Accords and the Millennium Development Goals.

## PROJECTS

### DECENTRALIZED AND INNOVATIVE TECHNICAL COOPERATION FOR PRIORITY POPULATIONS

#### PURPOSE

To catalyze technical project cooperation among programs for strengthening the health sector in priority municipios within the framework of the health policies, Peace Accords, Millennium Development Goals, and PAHO's Strategic Plan, by the end of 2005.

#### EXPECTED RESULTS

- The strategy for cooperation among programs for the development of innovative projects decentralized and intensified in priority departments and/or municipios. Poverty and health indicators improved by the end of 2005.
- Capacity developed in the Santa Cruz, El Quiché, and Ixil health areas to comply with health policies, the Peace Accords, and the Millennium Development Goals, working in concert with local government and civil society.
- Capacity developed in the Ixcán health area, in compliance with health policies, the Peace Accords, and the Millennium Development Goals, working in concert with local government and civil society.
- Capacity developed in the Huehuetenango health area, in compliance with health policies, the Peace Accords, and the Millennium Development Goals, working in concert with local government and civil society.
- Capacity developed in the Alta Verapaz health area, in compliance with health policies, the Peace Accords, and the Millennium Development Goals, working in concert with local government and civil society.

## ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH AND SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT

### PURPOSE

To contribute to the development of healthy public policies, under normal conditions and in emergencies and disasters, that strengthen environmental health management at the national and local levels, by promoting healthy and safe physical environments that do not add to disease risks associated with environmental factors such as water and sanitation.

### EXPECTED RESULTS

- Project for environmental health and sustainable development set up and implemented across programs, pursuant to the cooperation strategy of the Representative Office.
- Water and sewerage services strengthened in terms of quality and coverage as a result of cooperation in reform and institutional development of the water and sanitation sector, in municipios and among priority populations.
- Environmental protection and workers' health strengthened by promoting the healthy settings program, with emphasis on municipios and priority populations.
- Risk management strengthened in the health sector to respond to emergencies, contingencies, and disasters.

## UNIVERSAL ACCESS TO HEALTH SERVICES AND TECHNOLOGY

### PURPOSE

To strengthen the steering and management capacity of the Ministry of Health to expand access and improve quality of the health services using an equity approach, and to reduce social exclusion in health.

### EXPECTED RESULTS

- Project for universal access to health services and technology organized and implemented on a cross-program basis, pursuant to the cooperation strategy of the Representative Office.
- Health sector reform process and steering role functions of the Ministry of Health strengthened, with emphasis on decentralization and the reduction of social exclusion.
- Management capacity and the health care model strengthened, together with cultural and ethnic diversity.
- Access to drugs, technology, and related products improved, with standards based on the criteria of efficacy, quality, and safety.
- Human resources development strengthened with policies, decentralized structures, and regulatory frameworks for the participation of universities and other institutions in the education and training of health workers, based on the country's needs and progress in science and technology.

## FAMILY AND COMMUNITY HEALTH

### PURPOSE

To strengthen the capacity of institutions and organized civil society groups to meet the health and nutrition commitments in the Millennium Development Goals, the Peace Accords, and sectoral health policy, taking gender, ethnic groups, and age group into account, with emphasis on groups that experience greater social and economic inequities and on priority municipios, from the comprehensive standpoint of family and community health.

### EXPECTED RESULTS

- Family and community health project set up and implemented across programs, following the decentralized cooperation strategy of the Representative Office.
- Target indicators of the National Immunization Program met for effective outreach and surveillance in all health areas, with emphasis on priority municipios; these levels will be maintained.

- Food and nutrition security (FNS) improved by strengthening public policies, intersectoral groups, and implementing effective interventions in priority municipalities.
- Family and community health strengthened throughout the life cycle, with emphasis on reproductive health and psychosocial problems, as well as the reduction of domestic violence and maternal and child mortality.
- The gender approach in health policies and programs strengthened, with emphasis on indigenous population groups and priority municipalities.

## **PREVENTION AND CONTROL OF PRIORITY HEALTH PROBLEMS**

### **PURPOSE**

To strengthen the managerial capacity and steering role of the Ministry of Health and Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock for the prevention and control of priority zoonosis-related health problems, with emphasis on priority populations and municipalities and using a decentralized, democratic, participatory, and cross-program approach.

### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

- Project for the prevention and control of priority health problems managed and implemented across programs, in keeping with the cooperation strategy of the Representative Office.
- Operational and standards-based technical capacity strengthened for priority national programs for the prevention and control of communicable and noncommunicable diseases, with emphasis on decentralized levels in priority health areas and municipalities for the predominantly indigenous and impoverished population.

## **INFORMATION AND HEALTH SITUATION ANALYSIS**

### **PURPOSE**

To strengthen the capacity for health situation analysis and the use of health information systems in decision-making, to meet the commitments in health laid out in the Millennium Development Goals, the Peace Accords, and the sectoral health policy, with an approach that takes gender, ethnicity group, and equity into account.

### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

- Project for health information and health system analysis set up and implemented across programs, in keeping with the cooperation strategy of the Representative Office.
- Capacity of institutions for health system analysis strengthened at the national and local levels, with emphasis on areas with CTDI and priority municipalities.

## **MANAGEMENT AND SUPPORT FOR NATIONAL HEALTH DEVELOPMENT**

### **PURPOSE**

To plan and effectively implement PAHO's program for technical cooperation in Guatemala, with a strategic orientation, providing leadership in building partnerships and mobilizing resources to strengthen the health sector to meet the commitments of the Peace Accords and the Millennium Development Goals, under the Strategic Plan 2002-2007.

### **EXPECTED RESULTS**

- Technical cooperation planned and implemented across programs, based on strategic analysis and planning, the promotion of interagency coordination, and the construction of strategic partnerships according to priorities.
- Management and coordination of the country program strengthened to meet the demand for technical cooperation.

- All components of the Development Plan of the Representative Office will have been updated and implemented, to reinforce excellence in technical cooperation.
- Technical cooperation among countries carried out, including subregional integration and health development initiatives in border municipios.

### RESOURCES (US\$)

		Regular budget	Other sources	All funds
Total 2002-2003		4,383,900	7,996,300	12,380,200
Total 2004-2005		4,766,300	868,300	5,634,600
Percentage of estimated expenditure	Country program support	37%	-	31%
	Intersectoral action and sustainable Development	11%	-	9%
	Health information and technology	16%	-	13%
	Universal access to health	14%	100%	28%
	Disease control and risk management	16%	-	13%
	Family and community health	6%	-	6%