

HONDURAS

NATIONAL PRIORITIES FOR PAHO TECHNICAL COOPERATION

- > Health monitoring.
- > Integrated health information system.
- > Prevention and control of vector-borne diseases.
- > Health systems and services--reform process.
- > Human resources development.
- > Health and environment.
- > Disasters and emergencies.
- > Drugs.
- > Childhood illness.
- > Health promotion.
- > HIV/AIDS, STD, and TB.
- > Food and nutrition security.
- > Women, health, and development.
- > Violence, gender, rehabilitation, and health of indigenous populations.

PROJECTS

MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES OF THE REPRESENTATIVE OFFICE

PURPOSE

To develop and maintain adequate organizational conditions to ensure that technical cooperation processes are carried out efficiently and effectively, according to institutional standards and procedures.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Management standards and procedures of the Representative Office applied adequately in Honduras, making a satisfactory contribution to the development and strengthening of political, technical, and management processes.

FOOD AND NUTRITION

PURPOSE

To promote intersectoral action and social participation in addressing FNS at the national and local levels.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Coordination established with other sectors and actors involved in the implementation of public policy related to FNS.
- Efforts to raise awareness undertaken to achieve equity in FNS.
- Educational models established for the adoption of healthy eating and lifestyles.
- Knowledge about food and nutrition increased.
- Food and nutrition content incorporated into other programs.
- Operating mechanisms established for implementing micronutrient projects.

HEALTH PROMOTION AND PROTECTION

PURPOSE

To adopt health promotion principles when formulating and implementing projects and programs in health and development.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Departmental and municipal development committees created to apply the principles of health promotion.
- National Network of Municipios for Health created to act in emergencies or disasters, operational.
- Priority projects and programs focused on health promotion designed and implemented in the Ministry of Health.
- Mass communication plans aimed at promoting healthy lifestyles, prepared at the municipal and departmental levels.
- Sexual and reproductive health of the population improved, and maternal and perinatal morbidity and mortality reduced.

ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AND DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE

To consolidate national capacity to recognize, manage, and resolve the country's environmental health problems, with emphasis on health promotion, surveillance, and the prevention and mitigation of disaster risks.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Surveillance and control programs and activities in environmental health strengthened and sustained, especially those related to water quality.
- Networks for coordination and information exchange among institutions, sectors, and other entities strengthened.
- Instruments for planning, programming, and regulation to improve environmental quality and services up and running.
- Community mobilization, intersectoral coordination, and primary environmental care strengthened.
- Preinvestment, investment, operation, maintenance, and administration of the environmental health services strengthened at the national level, in terms of the capacity to prevent and mitigate disasters, with emphasis on reducing vulnerability, and on urban and rural water and sewerage systems.
- Capacity to deal with and resolve environmental issues strengthened at the central, departmental, municipal, and local levels.

DEVELOPMENT OF HEALTH SYSTEMS AND SERVICES

PURPOSE

To implement health sector reform with a significant increase in coverage, in a manner that is financially sustainable, high-quality, and efficient.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- The essential public health functions related to the steering role, regulation, and equitable access by the population to basic health services, implemented.
- Quality of health services improved and impact of emergencies and disasters on health reduced.
- Attainment of the medium-term objectives of the national drug policies promoted and technical support in priority areas received.
- Strengthening of national capacity to perform the essential public health functions of human resources and health work force development begun.

HEALTH AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE

To strengthen the capacity for epidemiological analysis and the integrated health information system, and for identifying the causes and determinants of the health process, giving priority to neglected groups, based on equity and gender criteria.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Technical groups consolidated throughout the country to promote the application of health concepts and research methodologies.
- Technical group on bioethics created at the national level.
- Integrated health information system strengthened at the national level, for better planning of interventions based on equity criteria.
- The gender approach integrated into health, within the framework of sectoral reform, and the model of response to gender violence strengthened.
- Virtual Health Library of Honduras developed and strengthened, including all components and specialized issues, and dissemination of this information promoted.

DISEASE PREVENTION AND CONTROL

PURPOSE

To reduce incidence and prevalence of communicable diseases and chronic noncommunicable diseases.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Annual operating plans prepared on the basis of local epidemiological characteristics, including integrated actions and equity and community participation criteria for the prevention and control of preventable diseases.
- Interventions for health promotion, disease prevention, and the control of chronic noncommunicable diseases strengthened at the national level.
- Epidemiological surveillance activities and the capacity for analysis, research, and local response strengthened, giving priority to higher-risk areas with greater epidemic potential.

PROGRAM ON EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND DISASTER RELIEF

PURPOSE

To help reduce the vulnerability of health services and put measures in place for health sector response, particularly at the local level.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Ministry of Health organized to respond to emergencies and disasters of any kind.
- Local and community emergency health plans harmonized with emergency plans for healthy municipios.

RESOURCES (US\$)

		Regular budget	Other sources	All funds
Total 2002-2003		3,555,700	3,737,900	7,293,600
Total 2004-2005		3,861,900	200	3,862,100
Percentage of estimated expenditure	Country program support	38%	100%	38%
	Intersectoral action and sustainable Development	16%	-	16%
	Health information and technology	13%	-	13%
	Universal access to health	16%	-	16%
	Disease control and risk management	12%	-	12%
	Family and community health	5%	-	5%