

USAID Lowlands Health Activity

Overview

- A five years Activity with a funding amount of \$25,000,000
- The purpose of this activity is to improve health and nutrition outcomes by increasing the access to, quality and utilization of RMNCAH-N services in pastoral areas
- The objectives are:
 - Enhancing PHC facility governance and functionality to deliver essential services
 - Improving access to and quality of services through client-centered and contextualized service delivery models
 - Increasing adoption of healthy behaviors, including utilization of health services
- It will be implemented in selected woredas of the Somali (17), SNNP (4) and Oromia (4) regions

Purpose: Improved Health and Nutrition Outcomes in the Pastoral Geographies

IR 1: Improved PHC facility governance and functionality to deliver essential health services

IR 2: Improved access to and quality of RMNCAH-N services through Clientcentered and Contextualized Service Delivery Models

IR 3: Improved adoption of healthy behaviors, including utilization of RMNCAH-N services

IR 1.1 Enhanced competence and motivation of PHC leadership to improve health facility performance

IR 1.2 Improved health facility management systems to manage resources effectively for the essential health service delivery

IR 1.3 Improved service readiness to provide essential RMNCAH-N services IR 2.1 Enhanced institutionalization of continuous quality improvement to ensure quality service delivery

IR 2.2 Improved provision of culturally acceptable and gender sensitive RMNCAH-N services

IR 2.3 Improved functionality and coordination of referral systems and networks IR 3.1 Increased health literacy to improve health seeking behavior

IR 3.2 Enhanced community engagement and social accountability to Increase the uptake RMNCAH-N services

IR 3.3 Enhanced Female Empowerment to Improve Healthy Practices and RMNCAH-N Outcomes

Implementation Approach

- The activity may be implemented by a consortium of international/local prime partner and local sub-partners
- Applicants should propose an innovative mix of interventions that integrate local knowledge, and improve local ownership and sustainability
- There will be a pre-award co-design process to collaboratively develop a final program description with USAID/Ethiopia, informed by inputs from other relevant stakeholders
- The Recipient must collaborate with other health and non-health Activities of USAID and other donors
- Crises modifier will be incorporated into the award to respond to emergencies

