HEALTH SECTOR RESILIENCY (HSR)

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$37 MILLION

OVERVIEW

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) Health Sector Resiliency (HSR) Project supports the Afghan government to foster a strengthened, reformed, and increasingly self-reliant Afghan health system. The project’s technical objectives are to improve health sector governance and accountability, increase government financing for priority health services, and strengthen human resource systems and operations at the Ministry of Public Health.

Building on the accomplishments of other USAID projects, HSR works at the national and sub-national levels, applying and adapting best practices in health governance and accountability. HSR also supports the ministry to implement the World Bank-funded System Enhancement for Health Action in Transition initiative.
ACTIVITIES

- Upgrade Afghanistan’s Health Management Information System, create a national data warehouse, and enhance the culture of data use
- Strengthen private health sector enabling environment and Ministry of Public Health private sector oversight
- Engage the private sector (through Public Private Partnerships, access to capital, etc.) to increase government revenue for the health sector
- Strengthen private sector associations’ ability to self-regulate through certification and accreditation
- Make health information more transparent through a people-centered communications platform
- Support the Ministry of Public Health to advocate for, and implement, strategies to increase the health budget (possible tax on tobacco and health facility user fees)

EXPECTED RESULTS

- Health sector governance and accountability improved at national and sub-national level
- Government financing for priority health services increased
- Ministry of Public Health human resources systems and operations strengthened

ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- The project conducted citizen engagement assessment in Nangarhar and Kabul
- Workshop for Sub National Governance conducted for provincial Health Director
- Supported the Ministry of Public Health in developing communication strategy
- Provided technical support to MoPH in developing user fee regulation and guideline
- Conducted finance and procurement assessment of the Ministry of Public Health
- Conducted Public Private Partnership Forum in Herat province
- Conducted fiscal space analysis and one health tool training to Health, Economic, and Finance Directorates of the Ministry of Public Health
- Conducted HRH assessment
- Provided technical support to the Ministry of Public Health in developing the ministry’s five-year strategy
- Conducted landscape analysis of the private sector

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