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IMPROVING HEALTH

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) works to improve the health status of Senegal's citizens by strengthening health systems through resource optimization, policy implementation, and increasing integration and accountability.

USAID is helping the Government of Senegal (GOS) and its citizens improve their health by effectively and sustainably improving and utilizing its health system to reduce child and maternal mortality, infectious disease, and HIV/AIDS. USAID focuses its health programming on areas experiencing the greatest burden of disease, poor quality of care, and barriers to access by making strategic investments to address disparities between regions and target the unique needs of vulnerable populations. Fostering commitment and participation by local governments and communities toward the management of their own health services increases the impact of these investments. USAID provides technical and financial assistance toward modernizing and sustaining processes and training healthcare workers in support of a self-reliant healthcare system.

STRENGTHENING THE HEALTH SYSTEM

USAID works closely with the GOS, public, and private partners at all levels - local, district, regional, and national - to improve the management of the health system through the adoption of effective policies and the optimal use of resources by strengthening health financing, policy and governance, supply chain, human resources, information systems, and healthcare service delivery. USAID helps the GOS to increase domestic resource mobilization and build capacity to enhance the efficiency and accountability of health care services. Additionally, USAID identifies opportunities to better leverage private sector resources to address gaps and encourages the efficient and sustainable use of domestic resources, supporting sound strategic purchasing mechanisms, and strengthening coverage and access.

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INREASING ACCESS TO QUALITY CARE

USAID aims to increase access to evidence-based, high-impact health care interventions through the development and implementation of annual district work plans focused on the most marginalized and underserved geographic areas. District work plans operationalize policies at the national level, specify technical support needs, and establish best practices. USAID’s support to these demand-driven, performance-based activities requires financial contributions from the government, commensurate with their ability to generate revenue and attract private sector donations.

INCREASING COMMUNITY PARTICIPATION IN HEALTH SYSTEMS MANAGEMENT

USAID works to increase participation and engagement by families, communities, civic and religious leaders, social influencers, and Civil Society Organizations to hold government health systems accountable, advocate for resources, ensure access to quality services, and influence health-seeking behaviors. USAID’s community-based approaches, which reflect national GOS policy and globally accepted best practices, are instrumental in creating the demand for, and timely utilization of, health care services, and adherence to preventive and therapeutic interventions.

ACHIEVEMENTS

- Approximately 20,000 healthcare workers trained on malaria prevention and treatment in 2020
- 711,511 children under 10 years treated with Seasonal Malaria Chemoprevention (SMC) in 2020
- 1,725,667 Insecticide Treated Nets (ITNs) were procured, 822,750 distributed in 2020
- 935,000 people treated with Artemisinin-based Combination Therapy (ACT) in 2020
- 136,417 structures treated with insecticide, protecting 571,649 people in 2020
- 3,185 radio spots, 60 TV spots, and 24 billboards with health behavior messages in 2020
- 2,383 new birth control users recruited in 2020
- 147 health mutuals supported; 107,488 people covered in 2020
- Trained 250 hygiene officers in 8 regions in 2020
- Distributed materials for antimicrobial resistance (AMR) detection to 12 laboratories in 2020

