IMPROVE CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES OF PERSONS WITH SIGNIFICANT DISABILITIES (HOLD MY HAND II)

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The Hold my Hand II project improves the quality of life of persons with disabilities through strengthening care and support for persons with significant disabilities in Binh Dinh, Kon Tum and Quang Nam provinces.

IMPROVE HOME CARE AND SOCIAL ASSISTANCE SERVICES
The project will improve the quality of home-based care by developing a care mentoring network to provide support to family caregivers and a voluntary care network to provide informal home care for approximately 2,600 persons with significant disabilities. The project will strengthen networks of persons with disabilities to increase independent living, social participation, and peer support. Hold my Hand-II will also expand support for home modifications and assistive devices to enable increased independent living for persons with disabilities, and work with occupational therapists and local care mentors for assessments and follow-on care.

DEVELOP A SUSTAINABLE CARE SERVICE SYSTEM
The project will increase the use of information communication technology for care management and training and will partner with the Vietnam Nursing Association to standardize the training program for caregivers. To diversify and sustain home-based disability care services, the project will partner with private care centers and hospitals to pilot a financing model to facilitate access to professional personal assistants in disability care.

EXPECTED RESULTS
By ensuring continuity of care from hospitals, in the community, and at the homes of persons with significant disabilities, 2600 persons with disabilities will receive improved care and support; in addition, 200 persons with disabilities will benefit from assistive devices and home modification to enhance care and independent living; a skilled caregiver workforce (professional and volunteers) will be developed through training, coaching and mentoring; the caregivers training program will be standardized and institutionalized; and financing models (public and private) for care services will be developed to diversify delivery sources for care systems.