

“And through the generosity of governments, and contributions from the private sector, and the leadership of the governments of developing nations, we can succeed in helping people everywhere build a healthier, more prosperous, and more hopeful world for their children.” -First Lady Laura Bush, September 20, 2007



Technical Support to Global Fund Grants

The President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (Emergency Plan/PEPFAR) is supporting efforts to ensure the success of grants from the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis and Malaria through a new, three-year contract that will support up to \$35 million in technical support to Global Fund grantees and Country Coordinating Mechanisms.

This contract provides a unique opportunity for local stakeholders to partner effectively to enhance the impact of global resources to combat HIV/AIDS, TB and malaria. Additionally, the contract will strengthen local capacity to carry out Global Fund activities and will be driven by local demand.

U.S. SUPPORT to the GLOBAL FUND

The U.S. Government, as a founding member of the Global Fund and its first and largest contributor, continues to play a leadership role in ensuring the success of this essential international effort. In 2001, President Bush made the founding contribution to the Global Fund. To date, the U.S. has contributed more than \$2.5 billion.

The Global Fund is a public-private partnership dedicated to raising and disbursing large amounts of funding to prevent and treat the pandemics of HIV/AIDS, malaria and tuberculosis. As a financing organization with no regional or country offices, the Global Fund is unable to provide hands-on technical support to improve grant performance; this becomes the responsibility of international and bilateral partners.

For more information on PEPFAR support for the Global Fund, please visit <http://www.pepfar.gov/coop/c18962.htm> or contact us at: SGAC-GFTechSupport@state.gov

PEPFAR provides technical support to Global Fund grantees and Country Coordinating Mechanisms that:

- Improve the functioning of Global Fund grants;
- Are time-limited and outcome-oriented;
- Strengthen local capacity; and
- Focus on alleviating specific bottlenecks that are causing Global Fund grants to underperform, including inadequate or poor performance in the following areas:
 - Organizational Development (including governance and leadership);
 - Financial Management;
 - Procurement and Supply Management; and/or
 - Monitoring and Evaluation.

The U.S. Government also funds technical support to Global Fund grantees through Roll Back Malaria, Stop TB, the Green Light Committee, and the UNAIDS African Technical Support Facilities.