

## Data Sheet

<b>USAID Mission:</b>	Romania
<b>Program Title:</b>	Child Welfare and Women's Health Care Reform
<b>Pillar:</b>	Global Health
<b>Strategic Objective:</b>	186-0340
<b>Status:</b>	Continuing
<b>Planned FY 2006 Obligation:</b>	\$3,550,000 AEEB
<b>Prior Year Unobligated:</b>	\$662,000 AEEB
<b>Proposed FY 2007 Obligation:</b>	\$0
<b>Year of Initial Obligation:</b>	2002
<b>Estimated Year of Final Obligation:</b>	2006

**Summary:** USAID continues to build a legacy in child welfare and health, by reducing abortions and unintended pregnancies, ameliorating the transmission and impact of HIV/AIDS, building the sustainability of social welfare non-governmental organizations, and supporting anti-corruption reform within the health sector. USAID projects help to improve policies, legislation, and quality of services in health care and child welfare, and to educate the public and decision makers about critical health and child welfare issues.

### Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

#### FY 2006 Program:

Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$1,250,000 AEEB, \$129,000 AEEB carryover). USAID advisors will help 21 NGOs expand and improve the quality of their community child welfare services. Activities will include services for disabled children, assistance to abused or neglected children, assistance to families to reduce child abandonment and promote domestic adoption. USAID will also assist agencies to implement national standards for child welfare services. Starting in 2006, USAID will focus on solidifying the new NGO-local government partnerships that will sustain NGO-provided services. USAID will promote local corporate participation in child welfare services, as well as the development of the appropriate legal framework for local authorities to contract with child welfare NGOs. USAID will provide technical advice and training to 40 NGOs and their federations so they become stronger advocates for children. USAID will support the development of the social work profession, with an increased emphasis on volunteerism and building community support for welfare programs. Principal contractor: World Learning (prime).

Promote And Support Anti-Corruption Reforms (\$1,200,000 AEEB, \$526,000 AEEB prior year recoveries). USAID will assist in developing a more transparent and rational pharmaceutical system that addresses the endemic corruption in the health sector. USAID will work in close partnership with the Ministry of Health, NGOs and other advocacy groups to promote an empowered consumer voice in the policy making and implementation processes, and to foster public commitment to policy reform. USAID will work with the ministry and key stakeholders to identify impediments to policy reforms and their implementation, and help the MOH focus on policies that will improve health outcomes in the country. Principal contractor: University Research Co. (prime).

Reduce Transmission and Impact Of HIV/AIDS (\$300,000 AEEB). USAID will fund education campaigns on issues of HIV/AIDS and family violence. Compassion and tolerance for victims and preventive responsible behaviors will be reinforced through youth clubs, philanthropic committees, community service, and NGO pilot projects. USAID will support the Ministry of Health in developing and implementing the national HIV/AIDS discrimination awareness campaign. Principal partners: John Snow Research and Training Institute (prime), International Orthodox Christian Charities (prime), Romanian Orthodox Church (sub).

Support Family Planning (\$800,000 AEEB, \$7,200 AEEB prior year recoveries). USAID will assist the Ministry of Health to develop legislation for the implementation of the national reproductive health strategy and the national plan for early detection of cervical cancer. USAID will provide family planning and

prenatal care training to 3,500 family doctors and 300 community nurses. USAID will continue to assist in building the sustainability of the Coalition for Domestic Violence, and will support the National Agency for Family Protection in implementing its national strategy. The program will fund three public awareness campaigns on family planning services, safe motherhood, and post-abortion and post partum contraception. Two hundred Roma health mediators will be trained on reproductive health. We will assist the Ministry of Health organize reproductive health campaigns in 100 Roma communities. USAID assistance will help NGOs develop business plans, manage their finances and raise funds to sustain their service programs. Principal contractor: John Snow Research and Training Institute (prime).

**FY 2007 Program:**

FY 2006 is the final year of appropriation for activities under this objective.

**Performance and Results:** During fiscal year 2005, USAID observed a significant improvement in key indicators. The total abortion rate decreased significantly from 3.2 abortions per women in 1993 to 0.8 in 2004. In 2004, for the first time in 16 years, the number of new births exceeded the number of abortions. The modern contraceptive prevalence rate has increased significantly among women in union to 38% in 2004, from 14% in 1993. The Ministry of Health allocated over \$1 million to the national family planning program, doubling their FY 2003 allocation.

The Government of Romania's investment in child welfare reform programs, implemented through NGOs, increased from \$4 million in 2004 to \$6 million in 2005. The number of children in institutions continued to decrease for the reporting period from 26,612 to 21,182. Concurrently, the number of institutions that house more than 50 children each decreased from 193 to 119. The number of children receiving direct services through USAID assistance increased from 13,500 to 18,000 during the current reporting period. The services created with USAID funding are now self-sustaining and will continue to assist children long after the closure of USAID programs. Community boards, involved in the protection of children and other vulnerable community members, are part of the new legislation and are expanding at the national level. A National College of Social Workers has been created to register all qualified social workers and will ensure adequate social assistance services in Romania.

## US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Romania

186-0340 Child Welfare and Women's Health Care Reform	AEEB	CSH	ESF
<b>Through September 30, 2004</b>			
Obligations	18,812	4,000	0
Expenditures	13,012	0	0
Unliquidated	5,800	4,000	0
<b>Fiscal Year 2005</b>			
Obligations	7,889	0	3,172
Expenditures	7,038	1,646	21
<b>Through September 30, 2005</b>			
Obligations	26,701	4,000	3,172
Expenditures	20,050	1,646	21
Unliquidated	6,651	2,354	3,151
<b>Prior Year Unobligated Funds</b>			
Obligations	662	0	0
<b>Planned Fiscal Year 2006 NOA</b>			
Obligations	3,550	0	0
<b>Total Planned Fiscal Year 2006</b>			
Obligations	4,212	0	0
<b>Proposed Fiscal Year 2007 NOA</b>			
Obligations	0	0	0
Future Obligations	0	0	0
Est. Total Cost	30,913	4,000	3,172