

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Eritrea
Program Title:	Health and HIV/AIDS
Pillar:	Global Health
Strategic Objective:	661-004
Status:	Continuing
Planned FY 2005 Obligation:	\$5,300,000 CSH
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$0
Proposed FY 2006 Obligation:	\$5,200,000 CSH
Year of Initial Obligation:	2003
Estimated Year of Final Obligation:	2007

Summary: USAID's health and HIV/AIDS objective is aimed at increasing the demand for and the quality of priority primary health and HIV/AIDS services and improving the Ministry of Health's capacity to make decisions about the allocation of scarce resources. USAID support is primarily in the form of long-term technical advisors to the Ministry of Health in the areas of behavior change communication, quality assurance, health systems strengthening, voluntary counseling and testing, home-based care, monitoring and evaluation, HIV prevention and treatment, and malaria.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2005 Program: Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$600,000 CSH). USAID will continue to provide technical advisors and training to improve the quality of Integrated Management of Childhood Illness (IMCI) and the treatment and management of neonatal emergencies in health facilities at both the central and zoba (provincial) levels. USAID will strengthen the continuum of care for child health services through the development of a strategy with the Ministry of Health (MOH) to provide these essential services at the community level and by strengthening the referral system and improving the quality of care provided in referral hospitals. USAID provides technical consultants and training to the MOH for all the above components. Principal contractors: University Research Corporation (prime) and Abt Associates (sub).

Improve Maternal Health and Nutrition (\$600,000 CSH). USAID will continue to provide technical advisors and training to improve the treatment and management of obstetric and neonatal emergencies in health facilities at both the central and zoba levels. USAID will strengthen the continuum of care for maternal health services through the development of a strategy with the MOH to provide these essential services at the community level and by strengthening the referral system and improving the quality of care provided in referral hospitals. USAID provides technical consultants and training for this component. Principal contractors: Same as above.

Build Health Systems Capacity (\$500,000 CSH). Technical advisors and training will be provided to strengthen health communications, the health information system, the pharmaceutical logistics system, and financial management systems. In addition, training will be provided to ensure the use of data being collected in planning for future MOH program activities. USAID will also help establish a partnership to support the School of Medicine. Principal contractors and grantees: Same as above, plus American International Health Alliance.

Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$2,300,000 CSH). USAID will continue to provide technical consultants and training to strengthen local capacity in the areas of strategic planning, monitoring and evaluation, voluntary counseling and testing, home-based care, sexually transmitted infections (STI) treatment and prevention, and HIV clinical care and treatment. USAID will support training and quality improvements in the above areas. In addition, USAID's support will leverage other donor funds, such as the World Bank HAMSET Project and the Global Fund for AIDS, Tuberculosis (TB) and Malaria. Principal contractors and grantees: Family Health International (prime), Program for Applied Technology in Health (sub), Population Services International (prime).

Reduce Unintended Pregnancy and Improve Healthy Reproductive Behavior (\$500,000 CSH). USAID will support training and provide consultants for reproductive health services provision. USAID will also support the strengthening of a logistics management system to ensure the consistent supply of reproductive health commodities. Principal contractors and grantees: University Research Corporation (prime) and Abt Associates (sub).

Prevent and Control Infectious Diseases of Major Importance (\$800,000 CSH). USAID will continue to provide full-time staff to support the National Malaria Control Program to further reduce malaria morbidity and mortality and to establish the long-term systems and resources that will enable Eritrea to sustain its control over malaria in an efficient, cost-effective and sustainable manner. USAID will also provide support for preparing the 2005-2009 five-year plans for Roll Back Malaria. Principal contractors and grantees: Research Triangle Institute.

FY 2006 Program: Improve Child Survival, Health and Nutrition (\$650,000 CSH). USAID will continue to provide technical advisors to the MOH at both the central and zoba levels to improve the continuum of care and the quality of care from the community to the hospital levels. Principal contractors/grantees: University Research Corporation (prime) and Abt Associates (sub).

Improve Maternal Health and Nutrition (\$650,000 CSH). USAID will continue to provide technical advisors to improve the quality of and demand for key maternal health services. Principal contractors and grantees: Same as above.

Build Health Systems Capacity (\$500,000 CSH). USAID will develop and strengthen the necessary health systems to improve the use of scarce human, pharmaceutical and financial resources. Principal contractors and grantees: Same as above.

Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$2,300,000 CSH). USAID will support training and consulting services to improve the quality of HIV/AIDS services. USAID will expand its support to improving the clinical care and use of antiretroviral medications (ARVs) for people living with HIV/AIDS. Principal contractors and grantees: Family Health International (prime), Program for Applied Technology in Health (sub), Population Services International (prime).

Reduce Unintended Pregnancy and Improve Healthy Reproductive Behavior (\$500,000 CSH). USAID will support training and technical advice for improving the use of birth spacing services in Eritrea. Principal contractors and grantees: University Research Corporation (prime) and Abt Associates (sub).

Prevent and Control Infectious Diseases of Major Importance (\$600,000 CSH). USAID will continue to provide full-time staff to support the National Malaria Control Program in order to sustain improvements made in the treatment and prevention of malaria. Principal contractors and grantees: Research Triangle Institute (prime).

All family planning assistance agreements will incorporate clauses that implement the President's directive restoring the Mexico City Policy.

Performance and Results: USAID's support to the Eritrean health sector over the past five years has contributed to decreasing morbidity due to malaria by 86.5% and mortality due to malaria by 85%. Substantial improvements in immunization coverage and an apparent stabilization of HIV prevalence has also occurred through USAID support. Support in FY 2004 has contributed to maintaining these achievements and addressing leading childhood killers - malaria, diarrhea and acute respiratory infections - by increasing the use of child health and malaria services. Continued USAID involvement in this sector will mean that, by FY 2008, 82% of children 12-23 months old will receive the DPT-3 immunization by their first birthday, 37% of births will be attended by trained health personnel, 90% of households in target areas will own two or more insecticide treated bed nets, and other health indicators will continue to improve.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Eritrea

661-004 Health and HIV/AIDS	CSH
Through September 30, 2003	
Obligations	5,600
Expenditures	172
Unliquidated	5,428
Fiscal Year 2004	
Obligations	5,000
Expenditures	3,092
Through September 30, 2004	
Obligations	10,600
Expenditures	3,264
Unliquidated	7,336
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	
Obligations	5,300
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2005	
Obligations	5,300
Proposed Fiscal Year 2006 NOA	
Obligations	5,200
Future Obligations	12,949
Est. Total Cost	34,049