

## Data Sheet

<b>USAID Mission:</b>	Ukraine
<b>Program Title:</b>	Social Protection and Health
<b>Pillar:</b>	Global Health
<b>Strategic Objective:</b>	121-0325
<b>Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:</b>	\$1,750,000 CSH; \$9,475,000 FSA
<b>Prior Year Unobligated:</b>	\$1,750,000 CSH; \$2,866,000 FSA
<b>Proposed FY 2005 Obligation:</b>	\$1,750,000 CSH; \$9,475,000 FSA
<b>Year of Initial Obligation:</b>	FY 2003
<b>Year of Final Obligation:</b>	FY 2007

**Summary:** This program is aimed at ensuring wide availability, adequate funding, and effective administration of a range of health and social programs. Reflecting Ukraine's pressing needs as well as the Agency's and USG's concerns, two of USAID's current priorities are the prevention and control of HIV/AIDS, and the prevention of trafficking in persons and the provision of assistance to victims. Other activities include the prevention and control of TB; an increase in access to quality primary health care services by promoting family medicine clinics and women's wellness centers; improvement in the quality of maternal and infant health services; reform of reproductive health policy, prevention and surveillance of birth defects (BD); pension reform; and delivery of social services and humanitarian assistance by NGOs.

### Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

#### FY 2004 Program:

To prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS (\$1,750,000 CHS, \$1,750,000 CHS carryover, \$2,000,000 FSA, \$950,000 FSA carryover). USAID assistance for HIV/AIDS has previously focused on building the capacity of Ukrainian NGOs to prevent further transmission of the virus, along with meeting the needs of those affected. However, with Ukraine's recent designation as an "intensive focus" country, USAID will develop a more comprehensive approach to keep HIV prevalence under 5%. Under its new five-year HIV strategy, USAID will provide information and services to at least 60% of high-risk groups in select high-prevalence oblasts. International best practice dictates that 60% coverage of high-risk populations must be met in order to keep a concentrated epidemic from becoming a generalized epidemic. Principal contractors/grantees: the International HIV/AIDS Alliance (prime) and the Centre for Ukrainian Reform Education (CURE, a Ukrainian NGO) (sub).

Anti-trafficking (\$937,337 FSA, \$127,663 FSA carryover). Seven non-governmental Women for Women Centers will continue to target victims of domestic violence and trafficking in persons. Implementation of a new five-year project that aims to raise awareness, assist victims, and strengthen national and regional program coordination will begin in the latter half of the year. Principal contractor: Winrock (prime) and others to be determined..

Improve health status (\$4,737,663 FSA, \$637,786 FSA carryover). Technical assistance will be given to raise the standards of maternal and neonatal care in maternity hospitals and rural health facilities and to reform reproductive health protocols at the national level, as well as to introduce the Directly Observed Treatment Strategy (DOTS) for the control of tuberculosis. Prime contractors/grantees: the American International Health Alliance (AIHA), the Futures Group International, John Snow International, the University of South Alabama, World Health Organization (WHO), and the World Council of Hellenes.

Pension reform (\$1,800,000 FSA, \$440,981 FSA carryover). USAID will continue to work on the improvement of social conditions in Ukraine by supporting the Government of Ukraine (GOU) in efforts to implement the legal framework and develop institutional capacity for a financially sustainable, reformed public pension system that will take effect on January 1, 2004. Support will also be given to introduce

private pension insurance and to develop its regulation. Prime contractors/grantees: Planning and Development Collaborative International Inc. (PADCO), and the Centre for Ukrainian Reform Education (CURE, a Ukrainian NGO).

Community Humanitarian Assistance Program (\$710,000 FSA carryover). In addition to providing humanitarian assistance, USAID will support indigenous social services NGOs to strengthen their organizational and management capacity. Prime contractor/grantee: Counterpart International.

**FY 2005 Program:**

Prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS (\$1,750,000 CSH, \$2,000,000 FSA). Because Ukraine is an Intensive Focus country in USAID's war on AIDS, USAID will support the provision of information and services in high prevalence regions to at least 60% of high-risk groups to prevent the spread of HIV and to extend care to those affected. Efforts will also focus on reducing stigma and discrimination, preventing mother to child transmission, and assisting children affected by HIV/AIDS.

Anti-trafficking (\$1,050,000 FSA). Trafficking in persons from, through, and in Ukraine will be reduced, primarily among women and children 12-25 years of age. A new five-year project aims to: 1) increase awareness, understanding and preventative actions taken among 'at-risk' groups, 2) provide victims assistance and rehabilitation, and 3) strengthen the coordination and execution of national and regional programs. Principal contractor/grantee to be determined.

Improve health status (\$5,425,000 FSA). USAID will extend the implementation of the WHO-recommended anti-tuberculosis DOTS strategies and expand efforts to address multi-drug resistant tuberculosis in the pilot Donetsk region. USAID also plans to establish a high level TB Policy Group and improve nationwide TB surveillance for furthering the program's expansion. USAID will continue its pilot interventions for improving maternal and neonatal health services in four regions to reduce morbidity and mortality. USAID also plans to develop and introduce a new child health program for particularly vulnerable groups. By developing evidence-based protocols and supporting advocacy efforts, USAID and its partners will improve reproductive health at the national level. Principal contractors/grantee: same as above.

Pension reform (\$1,000,000 FSA). USAID plans to continue providing legal and regulatory support to policy makers to implement the new three-tier transparent, reliable, fiscally sound, and sustainable pension system. USAID will help the GOU reduce the administrative burden on employers through the introduction of unified social insurance contributions for all public social insurance programs and the development of institutional capacity for a private pension industry. Principal contractor/grantee: same as above.

**Performance and Results:** USAID's support enabled the HIV/AIDS Information Clearinghouse to provide information and educational materials to policy makers, health providers, and vulnerable groups. Each quarter, 26 indigenous NGOs provided the needed information and services to 33,000 clients with high risk behaviors for HIV infection in 20 oblasts. USAID's health partners opened twelve demonstration family medicine clinics which served as a catalyst for the establishment of 483 family medicine clinics by local health administrations, in pilot areas by the end of FY 2003. As a result of policy reforms in the provision of services through the Women's Wellness Centers and family planning clinics, the abortion rate among these clinics' clients declined nearly 50% in the last few years. USAID's WHO-recommended pilot tuberculosis program in Donetsk had expanded its reach from 61.5% of the population to 80% by the end of July 2003. A USAID funded birth defects surveillance system is now active in five pilot regions. USAID has helped the GOU stabilize the current public pension system and lay the foundation for a voluntary private pension industry. The new three-tier pension system will take effect on January 1, 2004. Humanitarian assistance was provided through 251 local NGOs, directly meeting the immediate needs of some 462,000 vulnerable citizens.