

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Guyana
Program Title:	Reduced Impact of HIV/AIDS
Pillar:	Global Health
Strategic Objective:	504-005
Proposed FY 2004 Obligation:	\$4,200,000 CSH
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$0
Proposed FY 2005 Obligation:	\$0
Year of Initial Obligation:	FY 2004
Year of Final Obligation:	FY 2008

Summary: USAID's HIV/AIDS objective focuses on reducing the transmission of HIV and mitigating the impact of AIDS. Guyana's response to HIV/AIDS suffers from deficiencies in policy, planning, coordination, and management. These deficiencies include an unreliable data collection system that is inadequate for planning a targeted response to the HIV/AIDS epidemic, ineffective program design and monitoring systems, and poor coordination between government ministries and between the public and the private sectors. USAID will fund HIV/AIDS policy coordination and management, prevention and treatment services which include mother to child transmission, voluntary counseling and testing, training vulnerable populations in risk-reduction practices, and developing community-based care and support services. As a focus country, under the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS relief, it is anticipated that Guyana will receive additional funds for activities under this program.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2004 Program:

Policy coordination and management (\$800,000 CSH). USAID will provide advisory services to the Government of Guyana (GOG) to implement a national behavioral surveillance survey of high risk groups. USAID will also provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health to devolve authority and responsibility for the HIV/AIDS response to the regional and local organizations. In addition, local organizations will be strengthened in their abilities to plan and coordinate their programs to ensure greatest efficiency by integrating programs and reducing overlap. USAID's other programs in economic growth and democratic governance will contribute to local capacity building as well. Implementing agencies: To be determined.

Risk reduction practices by most vulnerable populations (\$700,000 CSH). USAID continues to provide technical assistance to strengthen NGO institutional capacity to deliver HIV/AIDS programs. USAID-funded NGOs will increase their HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infection (STI) education through media, drama, and peer education. USAID's implementers will implement broad-based behavior change programs and campaigns at the national, regional and community levels. USAID will expand its reach to other organizations with a particular focus on faith-based organizations. USAID will develop and implement a social marketing program that encompasses behavior change communications to support abstinence or delay of initial sexual activities, partner reduction, and condom social marketing. Reduction of stigma and discrimination will be another substantive USAID effort. The current anti-stigma and discrimination mass media campaign will be reviewed and modified. Additionally, technical assistance will be provided to the Ministry of Health for the creation of an adolescent health unit to develop youth friendly-health services. Implementing agencies: To be determined.

Prevention and treatment services (\$2,500,000 CSH). USAID will support the Prevention of Mother to Child Transmission (PMTCT) Plus program. USAID will focus on the prevention of HIV infection in young women, the prevention of unwanted pregnancies in HIV-positive women, the provision of antiretroviral therapy and treatment for opportunistic infections to all HIV-positive pregnant women to reduce mother-to-child transmission, infant feeding counseling, maternal and child health services, long-term care and

support to families, especially mothers and young children. USAID will expand the voluntary counseling and testing services and provide training for health care providers to improve the quality and availability of VCT. Technical assistance will also be provided to USAID-funded NGOs to support voluntary testing and counseling services. USAID will provide technical assistance to the Ministry of Health in the form of logistical technical support to the Guyana Pharmacy Bond which is responsible for the distribution of all medical supplies. Implementing agencies: To be determined.

Care and support services (\$200,000 CSH). A key ingredient in creating an effective local response to HIV is to provide care and support to mitigate the effects of HIV infection on people living with HIV/AIDS as well as to provide for the needs of orphans and vulnerable children affected by AIDS. USAID will support the increased use of community-based care and support services. Implementing agencies: To be determined.

FY 2005 Program:

Policy coordination and management (\$800,000 CSH). USAID will continue to strengthen surveillance systems and policy coordination.

Risk reduction practices by most vulnerable populations (\$700,000 CSH). USAID will continue to implement and strengthen prevention programs targeted at most at risk populations.

Prevention and treatment services (\$2,500,000 CSH). USAID will continue to support the Government of Guyana and other partners to make testing, treatment, and PMTCT services more widely available and accessible.

Care and support services (\$200,000 CSH). USAID will continue to develop programs to provide care and support to people affected by HIV, especially orphans and vulnerable children.

Performance and Results: Principal outcomes at the end of the program will be: (1) an increase in the number of HIV-infected persons receiving ARV treatment; (2) increased care and support provided to HIV-infected persons; (3) decrease in HIV seroprevalence among 15-24 year-olds; (4) decrease in seroprevalence of commercial sex workers (ages 15-24); (5) increase in the number of HIV-infected women and babies receiving a complete course of antiretroviral prophylaxis to reduce the risk of mother-to-child transmission; and (6) a reduction in the percent of sexually active population with multiple sex partners.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Guyana

504-005 Reduced Impact of HIV/AIDS	CSH
Through September 30, 2002	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	0
Fiscal Year 2003	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Through September 30, 2003	
Obligations	0
Expenditures	0
Unliquidated	0
Prior Year Unobligated Funds	
Obligations	0
Planned Fiscal Year 2004 NOA	
Obligations	1,700
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2004	
Obligations	1,700
Proposed Fiscal Year 2005 NOA	
Obligations	1,700
Future Obligations	0
Est. Total Cost	3,400