

Data Sheet

USAID Mission:	Georgia
Program Title:	Social and Health Services
Pillar:	Global Health
Strategic Objective:	114-0340
Status:	Continuing
Planned FY 2006 Obligation:	\$8,130,000 FSA
Prior Year Unobligated:	\$2,000,000 CSH; \$372,000 FSA
Proposed FY 2007 Obligation:	\$9,003,000 FSA
Year of Initial Obligation:	2004
Estimated Year of Final Obligation:	2008

Summary: Activities under this objective support major health and education sector reforms, target youth, and improve the poor's access to productive assets and jobs.

Inputs, Outputs, Activities:

FY 2006 Program:

Achieve Equitable Access to Quality Basic Education (\$2,630,000 FSA). Efforts focus on the Ministry of Education and Science's (MES) education reforms. Assistance targets youth through extra-curricular activities linked to MES priorities. Youth will build relations with peers from other regions including Abkhazia. With USAID-provided technical assistance on decentralization and accreditation, secondary school enrollment will increase, and general and higher education will be more effective and relevant. Principal contractors and grantees: Academy for Educational Development (AED), Catholic Relief Services (CRS).

Expand and Improve Access to Economic and Social Infrastructure (\$1,950,000 FSA, \$2,000,000 CSH carryover). USAID will improve the GoG's health care financing system, support reproductive health and family planning (RH/FP) policy development, strengthen national level health institutions, and encourage a national policy on National Health Accounts (NHA). Health partnerships will continue to develop model primary health care systems in two regions. Principal contractors and grantees: Abt Associates, American International Health Alliance (AIHA).

Improve Maternal Health and Nutrition (\$1,000,000 FSA). USAID will improve women's health by upgrading clinical skills and medical knowledge of doctors and nurses, specifically in antenatal care, safe delivery, and RH/FP. For the first time, primary care doctors and nurses will provide FP and counseling services. USAID and GoG will support free contraceptive distribution to the most vulnerable women at 44 locations. About 90,000 women will benefit from access to quality FP services and supplies. Principal contractors and grantees: John Snow Incorporated.

Prevent and Control Infectious Diseases of Major Importance (\$1,050,000 FSA, \$372,275 FSA carryover). Technical assistance, vaccines, and disposable syringes will support the national immunization program, and its health information management and Vaccine Preventable Disease (VPD) surveillance systems. The Directly Observed Therapy Short-Course (DOTS) tuberculosis program in Tbilisi and Poti, with the highest number of cases, will begin. Principal contractors and grantees: Medical Service Corporation International, Abt Associates, and UN Children's Fund (UNICEF).

Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$1,500,000 FSA). The growing threat of a HIV/AIDS epidemic triggered the decision by USAID to expand efforts beyond Tbilisi and Batumi to two additional areas, including the breakaway region of Abkhazia. In FY 2006, 7,000 individuals will benefit from access to information and voluntary counseling and testing (VCT) for HIV, and sexually transmitted infection (STI) testing and treatment services through clinics serving high-risk groups. Principal contractors and grantees: Save the Children.

FY 2007 Program:

Achieve Equitable Access to Quality Basic Education (\$4,200,000 FSA). Support for Georgia's educational reforms will continue. Activities will expand to South Ossetia. Prime contractors and grantees: Academy for Education Development (AED).

Expand and Improve Access to Economic and Social Infrastructure (\$1,400,000 FSA). USAID will integrate within broader health system reforms strategies to improve RH/FP services, and rationalize secondary health care by expanding community-based health financing schemes, and identifying and strengthening public-private health partnerships. Principal contractors and grantees: Abt Associates.

Improve Maternal Health and Nutrition (\$1,100,000 FSA). USAID will expand to 12 new districts to provide quality FP services and counseling, develop evidence-based safe delivery and family-friendly maternity hospitals, strengthen social marketing of contraceptives, and build public-private partnerships and a GoG contraceptive distribution and logistics system. Principal contractors and grantees: John Snow Incorporated.

Prevent and Control Infectious Diseases of Major Importance (\$1,203,000 FSA). TB efforts will expand to Adjara, and begin work on multi-drug resistant TB. Support will continue for sustained immunization coverage and further health information system development. Principal contractors and grantees: Medical Service Corporation International (MSCI), UNICEF, Abt Associates.

Reduce Transmission and Impact of HIV/AIDS (\$1,100,000 FSA). The HIV/AIDS program will expand and diversify to other vulnerable regions and locations beyond the Global Fund to Fight AIDS, Tuberculosis, and Malaria initiative's framework. Principal contractors and grantees: Save the Children.

Performance and Results: A total of 12,668 people from high-risk groups benefited from STI/HIV prevention and VCT services. Programs resulted in an increase in Tbilisi's TB treatment success rate from 60% to 71%. Case detection rate rose from 44% to 66% from 2004 to 2005. USAID also supported the Ministry of Health as it produced its first set of NHA. Thus, the Ministry was able to provide analyses to justify a 20% plus health budget increase in the 2006. The immunization coverage rate remained at about 81%, and GoG co-financing for traditional vaccines doubled to 40% from 2002 to 2005. Surveillance systems for immunization and vaccine preventable diseases became mandatory nationwide. Of a total of 1,500 health participants, 75% were female. Some 193 communities mobilized. Two hundred thirty community initiatives finished and benefited over 191,000 people with improved infrastructure and services. A total of 1,941 leaders were trained from 192 communities. Five hundred thirty one 531 jobs were created, and 126 businesses received support services. Summer camps hosted 418 children to learn, teaching methods of tolerance.

The capacity of Georgian health sector institutions will be strengthened enabling them to take a leadership role in policy development and analysis, management, health economics and planning in order to implement the reform process. Strengthened Health Information Systems will better inform policy-makers and facility managers on health status and trends. Health support systems will be institutionalized and capable of effectively providing services at the national and local levels. Health care providers will be adequately trained, routinely utilize evidence-based clinical protocols, be capable of providing important health information to guide citizens in making informed health choices, and have improved access to clinical equipment, physical facilities and essential drugs. A less than 5% HIV/AIDS prevalence rate will be achieved and sustained. The TB treatment success rate will reach 85%. The induced abortion rate will decrease from 3.7 to 2 per woman.

In education, 70% of the higher education institutions will comply with the internationally recognized standards established under the Bologna Process, in particular requirements regarding institutional accreditation and qualification for state funds. At least 70% of all secondary schools will be effectively supported by Education Resource Centers, particularly in the area of teacher training.

US Financing in Thousands of Dollars

Georgia

114-0340 Social and Health Services	CSH	ESF	FSA
Through September 30, 2004			
Obligations	3,000	0	12,240
Expenditures	0	0	1,808
Unliquidated	3,000	0	10,432
Fiscal Year 2005			
Obligations	500	985	11,825
Expenditures	2,968	11	0
Through September 30, 2005			
Obligations	3,500	985	24,065
Expenditures	2,968	11	1,808
Unliquidated	532	974	22,257
Prior Year Unobligated Funds			
Obligations	2,000	0	372
Planned Fiscal Year 2006 NOA			
Obligations	0	0	8,130
Total Planned Fiscal Year 2006			
Obligations	2,000	0	8,502
Proposed Fiscal Year 2007 NOA			
Obligations	0	0	9,003
Future Obligations	0	0	0
Est. Total Cost	5,500	985	41,570