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IMPROVING HEALTH

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) works to improve the health status of Senegal's women, children, and other vulnerable populations by making strategic investments that increase access to high quality health services and products, foster the commitment of individuals and communities in the management of their own health and health services, and strengthen the performance of the health system.

USAID's targeted investments address health disparities between Senegal's regions and urban and rural populations. To increase impact, USAID concentrates maternal, child and reproductive health, nutrition, family planning, malaria and HIV/AIDS programming in areas experiencing a greater burden of disease. In higher-performing areas, USAID provides direct financing and technical assistance to government systems to sustain and continue improving health outcomes.

INCREASING ACCESS TO QUALITY PRODUCTS AND SERVICES

USAID's community health program provides an integrated package of services for family planning, safe motherhood, and child health. USAID is helping the Government of Senegal (GoS) extend basic health services - including family planning, antenatal care, nutrition and newborn care services - into remote, underserved communities through mobile outreach and the nationwide expansion of Health Huts. USAID aims to increase access to health services and products in the public sector, and improve the quality of private sector service delivery.

Through the U.S. Government's President's Malaria Initiative (PMI), USAID supports Senegal's National Malaria Control Program to apply proven strategies against malaria, such as consistent use of mosquito nets and household indoor spraying. USAID provides HIV/AIDS testing and counseling services, with a focus on reaching key populations that face prevalence rates well above the national average. USAID also provides

technical assistance to the GoS to better manage the health supply chain to ensure sustained access to essential health commodities.

INCREASING COMMITMENTS TO MANAGE HEALTH AND HEALTH SYSTEMS

Through government-to-government agreements, USAID builds capacity and commitment to finance and implement health activities at the local level using host country systems. USAID promotes social behavior change interventions that increase individual demand for quality health services.

IMPROVING PERFORMANCE OF THE HEALTH SYSTEM

USAID is working closely with the GoS to build and strengthen the health system at all levels - local, district, regional, and national - with a strong focus on key areas of health financing, governance, health commodity management and data for decision making. This includes helping the GoS develop and implement their national health financing strategy, and direct financing at the regional and national level to implement strategic malaria, maternal and child health, and family planning activities. USAID also continues to support the expansion of universal health coverage in Senegal. The Global Health Security Agenda works across the health system to increase Senegal's capacity to respond to new and emerging disease outbreaks.

ACHIEVEMENTS SNAPSHOT (2018):

- More than 630,000 under-5 children were reached through nutrition-specific interventions
- 3.7 million malaria rapid diagnostic test kits and 3.5 million insecticide treated bed nets were purchased and distributed
- Nearly 1.2 million couple years of protection were assured via the distribution of modern family planning products
- More than 250,000 cases of child diarrhea were treated through USG-assisted programs

BUDGET (FY2018): \$58,435,000

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