



**Assistance for Families and Indigent Afghans to Thrive**  
To restore/maintain and improve access, utilization and quality of curative and preventive health care services in an equitable and sustainable manner.

**Country**

Afghanistan

**Location**

Khost province

**Duration**

June - Dec 2023

**Donors**

Management Sciences for Health Inc. (MSH)

**Background**

Afghanistan has made significant progress in expanding access to healthcare and hospital services since the introduction of the Basic Packages of Health Services and Essential Package of Hospital Services in 2002/2005. Despite improved access, health outcomes particularly among mothers and children are still constrained. This is mainly due to poor quality of healthcare and poor access to high-impact interventions, large knowledge gaps within communities towards seeking healthcare services, and gaps in management and competency skills in healthcare settings.

This project focuses on the priority areas within health facilities and at a community level including: (i) Maternal and Newborn Care, including Family Planning (ii) Child Health and Immunisation (iii) Nutrition (iv) Treatment and Control of TB (v) Regular Supply and Management of Essential Medicines.

## Project objectives

To improve the health of women, children under the age of five years, youth, men and people living in rural regions by providing sustainable improvements in maternal and child health, family planning and reproductive health, TB and nutrition. It aims to support the health system in increasing public investments in health, improving budget execution, increasing transparency and accountability, and fostering ownership.

1. Improve the quality of primary and secondary health and nutrition services in target rural areas;
2. Increase access to high-impact and evidence-based health and nutrition services;
3. Enhance adoption of optimal health and nutrition behaviors by communities and households;
4. Collaborate with partners to plan, finance and manage the health system in the NGO-managed public sector.

- Implement Catchment Area Annual Census (CAAC) in the target health facilities.
- Ensuring payment to the CHWs transferring presumptive TB cases to the nearest diagnostic health facilities.
- Collect, analyze and review maternal and newborn death data (MNDR)
- Co-design with communities a functional referral system for patients need the referral services.
- Foster gender sensitive services.

## Activities

- Recruit Targeted Support Teams (TSTs) to implement TST approaches.
- Conducting in-class training and practicum sessions
- Implement High Impact Interventions (HII) in selected health facilities.
- Train the health shura in the use of Community Health Accountability Tools (CHAMT)
- Implement the adapted community dialogue plus (CD+) approach
- Implement the PROGRESS (Programme for Organisational Growth, Resilience and Sustainability) tools
- Implement the mSupply model of managing pharmaceuticals.
- Ensuring continuous supply of drugs and commodities required for high impact interventions.

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