



HEALTH SECTOR NEEDS ASSESSMENT

Nearly two decades of conflict have displaced up to two million people, of whom 90% are still living in IDP camps without adequate resources. Displacement and exposure to various degrees of psychosocial trauma have broken down traditional and cultural support structures and systems. In July 2005, a mortality survey carried out by WHO, the MoH and other partners in IDP camps in the districts of Gulu, Kitgum and Pader confirmed that the crude and under-five mortality rates are well above their respective emergency threshold (1/10,000 and 2/10,000/day) at 1.54 per 10,000 and 3.18 per 10,000 per day respectively.



ACCESS TO HEALTH SERVICES: Less than half of the population of these districts live within 5km of a functional health facility. Many facilities have closed down or are only partially functional. Nearly one million IDPs are estimated to have little or no access to basic health care. Pregnant women, in particular, lack access to basic maternal health services such as antenatal and emergency obstetric care.

DISEASE SURVEILLANCE AND CONTROL: Congested and over-crowded camps provide squalid living conditions. Disease outbreaks caused by limited water supply and poor sanitation contribute to the increased morbidity and mortality rates. Children and women, who represent 80% of IDPs, are the most vulnerable group. The leading causes of morbidity are malaria, violence, respiratory tract infections and HIV/AIDS. Lack of parental guidance and limited access to information and services have made children and young adults increasingly vulnerable to HIV transmission.

HEALTH SECTOR PRIORITIES FOR 2006

- Strengthen the delivery of a comprehensive health care package (including immunization, child health, sexual and reproductive health, nutrition, family planning

and prevention and treatment of malaria and tuberculosis,) at district level, lower level health care units and camp level in the conflict-affected districts

- Enhance health and nutrition data collection and analysis for monitoring and effective response
- Strengthen the health system through capacity building, provision and retention of qualified staff at all levels, improved availability of drugs and equipments at health facilities
- Support coordination mechanisms at district and camp level including mapping of activities, analysis of gaps, joint planning and monitoring of intervention and impact assessment
- Strengthen epidemic preparedness and response in all conflict-affected districts, with special attention to cholera
- Support continuing camp decongestion process in accordance with the National IDP Policy

WHO Proposed Projects in the CAP 2006	Funds Requested *	Implementing Partners
Health response coordination and monitoring in Northern Uganda UGA-06/H06B	627,860	MoH, DHS, District WatSan, NGOs, WFP, UNFPA, UNAIDS
Improving access of children and pregnant women in IDP Camps to appropriate and effective interventions for prevention and treatment of common illnesses UGA-06/H07B	716,320	MoH, DHT affect-ed districts, WFP, UNFPA, NGOs and CBOs
Malaria response for the IDP in Northern Uganda UGA-06/H08B	1,579,930	MoH, DHT affected districts, Malaria actors, NGOs, CBOs
Increase access of tuberculosis DOTS treatment in IDP camps in Northern Uganda UGA-06/H09	396,440	MoH, UNICEF, and DHT in affected districts, NGOs, CBOs
Mental health and psychosocial support in conflict affected population in Northern Uganda UGA-06/H10	454,740	MoH, UNICEF, DHA, and NGOs
Strengthening district Epidemic Preparedness and Response UGA-06/H11	991,100	MoH, DHT affected districts, NGOs and communities
Improving maternal and adolescent health services in IDP Camps UGA-06/H12B	1,037,740	MoH, DHT affected districts, UNAIDS, NGOs and CBOs

WHO Proposed Projects in the CAP 2006	Funds Requested *	Implementing Partners
Upholding the right to health of IDPs UGA-06/H13	109,604	MoH, DHS, UN, NGOs and CBOs
Scaling up capacity for the provision of comprehensive HIV care including treatment UGA-06/H16	2,100,000	District Authorities, MoH, Uganda AIDS Commission and NGOs

* Amounts given in US dollars.

Total Funds Requested: USD 8,013,734

2005 Donors:

Finland, Norway, Sweden

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