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Since 2006, IntraHealth International has worked with our partners in South Sudan to improve access to health services amid civil war, famine, a refugee crisis, and rampant inflation. In collaboration with governmental and nongovernmental agencies, we provide high-quality HIV prevention services, improve access to modern contraceptives, address the country's shortage of health workers, and work with the South Sudan Ministry of Health to strengthen the health system.

Advancing HIV & AIDS Epidemic Control Activity (2021–2025)

With funding from USAID, this four-year contract builds on IntraHealth's 15-year history of partnership in South Sudan as we work with the government to increase the effectiveness and efficiency of the country's efforts toward HIV epidemic control. This support includes identifying HIV-positive clients (especially those who do not know their status), providing them with life-saving antiretroviral therapy, supporting continuity in their treatment, and supporting adherence for clients whose treatment has been interrupted, in an effort to ensure HIV viral suppression to reduce AIDS-related deaths and further transmission of the virus. Through a layered approach with local organizations and PEPFAR implementing partners, the South Sudanese government, and local communities, the Advancing HIV & AIDS Epidemic Control Activity builds local capacity and resilience and adapts evidence-based HIV prevention, care, and treatment interventions for people living with HIV.

Strengthening National Capacity for Integrated HIV/AIDS Health Data Collection, Use, and Dissemination in Support of an Evidence-based Response in South Sudan (2017–2022)

Funded by the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) with PEPFAR support, this project builds the Ministry of Health's capacity to generate, gather, disseminate, and use integrated, high-quality information to inform evidence-based HIV



367,661+ people tested and counseled for HIV since 2009



3,000+ women received antiretroviral therapy to prevent mother-to-child HIV transmission since 2009



72,600+ people received family planning services since 2009

programming and strategic planning in South Sudan. High-quality information is key to reaching HIV epidemic control, so we established and conduct routine antenatal care surveillance to help prioritize HIV care and treatment and respond to HIV service needs when and where they arise. We also support a weekly and monthly dashboard, which provides data to PEPFAR partners for improved HIV care and treatment services at clinics. The data are routinely reviewed and necessary changes are made to improve the quality and use of information. To ensure all HIV studies in South Sudan adhere to ethical standards, we set up and continue to support the Ethics Review Board.

This project is a follow-on to Strengthening System Capacity and Data Collection with a Focus on Strategic Information in South Sudan (2012-2017), during which IntraHealth conducted the first-ever HIV monitoring and evaluation assessment in South Sudan and revised HIV data collection tools.

Strengthened Reproductive Health for Key Populations (2018–2020)

This activity improved access to services and the quality of care and treatment for members of key populations who live with HIV, primarily female sex workers. Implemented initially through Linkages (see past projects below) and then the Evidence to Action (E2A) Project, this USAID-funded project provided targeted HIV services at the community level and linked female sex workers to facilities for various services, including HIV testing and treatment. The project reached 4,000+ female sex workers with HIV interventions and provided 3,635 HIV testing services. Of those who tested positive, 84% started antiretroviral treatment.

Accelerating Quality Family Planning Access and Use in South Sudan (2018–2020)

Through the Linkages project and E2A, IntraHealth worked with partners to improve access to family planning counseling and services. In 2018, IntraHealth implemented a

dedicated family planning provider model, which addressed the shortage of health workers and helped increase access and acceptance. Over 18,000 clients received family planning methods resulting in 20,000+ years of protection from unwanted pregnancies for couples through contraceptives. IntraHealth also developed the first-ever national family planning curriculum with the South Sudan Ministry of Health.

Past Projects

- Strengthening the Capacity to Scale-up HIV Prevention, Care, and Treatment Programs in South Sudan, 2015-2020 (CDC)
- Coordinating Comprehensive Care for Children (4Children), 2014-2019 (USAID)
- Linkages Across the Continuum of HIV Services for Key Populations Affected by HIV Project, 2014-2018 (USAID)
- Immunization & Field Epidemiology Training Project, 2014 (CDC)
- Strengthening System Capacity and Data Collection with a Focus on Strategic Information in South Sudan, 2012-2017 (CDC)
- Department of Defense HIV/AIDS Prevention Program, 2012-2013 (US Department of Defense)
- Preventing and Reducing the Impact of HIV in South Sudan, 2009-2014 (CDC)
- The Capacity Project, 2004-2009 (USAID)
- Reducing the Impact of HIV in South Sudan, 2006- 2009 (CDC)
- The Provision of Prevention and Awareness Services among Uniformed Cadres in the Fight against HIV/AIDS in Southern Sudan, 2008-2009 (UNHCR)

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