

Technical Support for Health Systems Strengthening Global Fund Round 10

The following organizations and projects are available to provide technical support to assist Global Fund applicants in preparing health system strengthening (HSS) related aspects of their Round 10 proposals, including incorporating cross-cutting HSS interventions into their proposals. Many (where noted) can also assist in implementing HSS interventions for proposals that are accepted. Please contact the organizations and projects directly for more information and for any clarifications that you may require.

While these are the entities that have come to our attention, it is only a partial list. There are other organizations and individuals available to provide assistance for HSS, including the World Health Organization (WHO) and other UN family organizations. Several organizations listed in this document can provide assistance to incorporate community systems strengthening (CSS) activities into proposals.

When seeking technical support, we recommend that you seek out individuals who are familiar with your country and who have experience developing Global Fund proposals. While the list here includes primarily Northern-based institutions, we encourage you to look to engage local expertise, such as through academic institutions, that might be able to assist with developing your proposal. We encourage you to seek support as soon as possible and ensure that consultants will fully engage stakeholders.

We also encourage you to view the Global Fund website on technical assistance and other guidance (<http://www.theglobalfund.org/en/technicalassistance/>). This includes a list of principles for technical support, links to several technical partners, and guidance documents on select issues pertaining to the Global Fund. The Global Fund has also produced an information note (*Strengthening Implementation Capacity: Information Note*) on including technical assistance plans in Global Fund proposals to strengthen implementation capacity and program quality (http://www.theglobalfund.org/documents/rounds/10/R10_InfoNote_TA_en.pdf).

The German BACKUP Initiative – <http://www.gtz.de/backup>

- HSS areas of expertise: linking disease specific technical support interventions to cross-cutting system strengthening aspects such as: health services, health workforce, health information, medical technologies, health financing, leadership and governance.
 - Community System Strengthening: providing technical support to civil society actors at country level.
 - Gender: providing technical support in developing gender-sensitive and gender transformative HIV responses.
- Geographic Region: All countries eligible for the Global Fund. Requests from countries that are not partner countries of German development cooperation will need respective approval from the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (see list of partner countries: http://www.bmz.de/en/countries/partnercountries/laenderkonzentration/tabelle_neu.html)
- Available for proposal development, grant negotiation, and grant implementation of Global Fund grants in relation to capacity development.
- Sources of Funding: Free technical assistance to organizations in partner countries. Funding provided by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ) via GTZ (German Technical Cooperation). Applicants should indicate their contributions.
- Previous Experience: BACKUP has supported the following countries in Global Fund proposal development (including multiple contracts in several cases): Round 7: Democratic Republic of Congo, Tanzania, Cambodia, Rwanda, Niger, and Pakistan. Round 8: Cambodia, Ghana, Rwanda, Ukraine, Nepal, the Gambia, Bangladesh, and Pakistan. Round 9: Burundi, Malawi, Mongolia, Panama, Paraguay, Ukraine, Southern Sudan, and Guinea. This has included support in Rounds 8 and 9 for several HSS components.

- Contact: Huzeifa Bodal (Huzeifa.bodal@gtz.de) for requests from Anglophone African countries, South and West Asia, East Asia, and the Pacific. Kristina Kloss (kristina.kloss@gtz.de) for requests from Francophone Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean, Middle East and Northern Africa, Eastern Europe, and Central Asia.

Clinton Health Access Initiative – <http://www.clintonfoundation.org>

- HSS area of expertise: Health Workforce, Supply Chain Management, Procurement, Strategic Planning, and Policy Development
- Geographic Region: All Clinton HIV/AIDS Initiative countries are eligible (including parts of Africa, Latin America, Asia, and the former Soviet Union). A map of countries is available at: <http://www.clintonfoundation.org/explore-our-work/#/clinton-hiv-aids-initiative/>.
- Available for proposal development, primarily for HIV proposals, including accompanying cross-cutting HSS interventions. Available for proposal implementation on a case-by-case basis decided by the team in country.
- Sources of Funding: Free technical assistance to partner and consortium countries through in-country technical advisors and remote support for proposal development. Funding provided by the Clinton Foundation. Support provided on the basis of discussion with Clinton Foundation country teams.
- Previous Experience: The Clinton Foundation supported 8 countries in developing HIV proposals in Round 8 (with a 63% success rate) and supported 12 countries in Round 9 (with a 67% success rate).
- Contact: Elya Tagar (elya.tagar@clintonfoundation.org)

Health Strategies International – <http://www.hsinternational.org>

- HSS area of expertise: For malaria proposals, Human Resources for Health. Otherwise, Human Resources for Health and other HSS areas.
- Geographic Region: For malaria, sub-Saharan Africa. Otherwise, support is available for countries in any region. Work has also been done in Nicaragua and Palestine.
- Available for proposal development. Available for proposal implementation especially related to Human Resources for Health and Sustainability Planning.
- Sources of Funding: There is a potential opportunity for financed technical support from HSI for HSS included in TB and/or malaria components, or cross-cutting HSS section when applicant is also submitting TB and/or malaria components; otherwise, applicants require their own funding.
- Previous Experience: Includes helping develop HSS-related Global Fund proposals for Malawi, Zambia, and Ethiopia.
- Contact: Anne Martin-Staple (anne.staple@hsinternational.org, +1-919-688-0616)

Health Systems 20/20 –

**http://www.bmz.de/en/countries/partnercountries/laenderkonzentration/tabelle_neu.html
www.healthsystems2020.org**

- HSS area of expertise: Health Workforce; Health Information Systems; Strategic Planning and Policy Development; Health System Financing; Management, Governance, and Leadership, Monitoring and Evaluation; Community Systems Strengthening (especially Community-based Health Financing)
- Geographic Region: Africa region, Vietnam
- Available for proposal development and implementation.
- Sources of Funding: Applicants require their own funding for proposal development. Project funding may be available for proposal implementation.
- Contact: Ann Lion (ann_lion@abtassoc.com, +1-301-347-5000)

HLSP – <http://www.hlsp.org>

- HSS areas of expertise: Health Financing and Economics; Governance; Harmonization and Alignment; Human Resources for Health; Project Management; Monitoring and

Evaluation; Public/Private Partnerships; Access to Medicines; Strategic Planning and Policy Development

- Geographic Region: Africa region, Asian sub-continent, South-East Asia and Pacific region, Eastern Europe
- Available for proposal development and implementation.
- Sources of Funding: Applicants require their own funding.
- Previous Experience: Developed HSS elements of successful Round 8 proposals in Nigeria and Guyana and Round 9 proposals for Pakistan and Nigeria. Other Global Fund proposal experience includes Georgia, Angola, Lesotho, and Malawi. Long-term broad health systems strengthening technical assistance in Africa and Asia. Provides regular technical assistance to Global Fund headquarters.
- Contact: Bob Grose (bob.grose@hlsp.org)

IntraHealth – <http://www.intrahealth.org>

- HSS areas of expertise: Human Resources for Health, Capacity Building, and Service Delivery
- Geographic Region: Armenia, Ethiopia, Kenya, Lesotho, Mali, Namibia, Rwanda, Senegal, South Africa, South Sudan, Swaziland, Tanzania, Uganda, Zambia, but possibly elsewhere as well.
- Available for proposal development and implementation.
- Sources of Funding: For proposal development, organizational resources may be available from IntraHealth, but for implementation, applicants require their own funding.
- Previous Experience: Experience with developing Global Fund proposals Round 8 in South Sudan for HIV along with Human Resources for Health.
- Contact: Kate Somers (ksomers@intrahealth.org; +1-919-313-9100)

Liverpool Associates in Tropical Health (LATH) – <http://www.lath.com>

- HSS areas of expertise: Procurement; Supply Chain Management; Monitoring and Evaluation; Human Resources for Health; Organizational Development; Quality Assurance Systems; Laboratory Systems Strengthening; Monitoring and Evaluation; Community Outreach; SWAps
- Geographic Region: Sub-Saharan Africa, India, Pakistan
- Available for Proposal Development. Available for Proposal Implementation for Monitoring & Evaluation, Procurement, Supply Chain Management, and Human Resources for Health.
- Sources of Funding: Applicants require their own funding.
- Previous Experience: LATH has supported PRs in Malawi and Pakistan with HSS; Procurement and Supply Management; and Monitoring and Evaluation. Also provided Technical Assistance not related to Global Fund in Human Resources for Health, Organizational Development, Quality Assurance Systems, Community Outreach, and SWAps.
- Contact: Technical Resource Centre trc@lath.com

Management Sciences for Health (MSH) - Leadership, Management, and Sustainability Program (LMS) – <http://www.msh.org>, <http://www1.msh.org/projects/lms/>

- HSS areas of expertise: Strengthening Leadership and Governance, Project Management, Financial Management, Partnership Building, Monitoring and Evaluation, Human Resource Management, Systems and Processes.
- Geographic Region: Worldwide
- Available for proposal development; however the process of securing a request for support through the local USAID mission may be difficult to complete in time for Round 9 proposal development. Available for proposal implementation.
- Sources of Funding: LMS provides technical assistance to Global Fund grants when a local USAID mission gives LMS a field support earmark and a scope of work asking for this type of support. CCMs or PRs may make requests for LMS support for GF proposal assistance by contacting their country USAID mission or U.S. Government embassy.
- Contact: Cary Perry (cperry@msh.org)

The following project is available to support proposal implementation, but not proposal development in Round 10:

CapacityPlus Project - <http://www.intrahealth.org/page/capacityplus>

- HSS areas of expertise: Human Resources for Health, Policy Support, Human Resource Information Systems, Workforce Planning, Strengthening Educational Institutions, Workforce Performance Support including Productivity and Retention
- Geographic Region: Worldwide
- Not available for proposal development, but the CapacityPlus Project is available for proposal implementation per U.S. Government plans and priorities.
- Sources of Funding: U.S. Government
- Contact: Maurice Middleberg (mmiddleberg@intrahealth.org; +1-202-407-9424)

The following organization is available to support proposal development and other Global Fund activities related to Community Systems Strengthening (CSS):

International HIV/AIDS Alliance – <http://www.aidsalliance.org>

- HSS areas of expertise: NGO policy leadership, networking and advocacy, organizational development, monitoring and evaluation, financial planning and management. Special technical areas include HIV treatment, care and prevention, orphans and vulnerable children, impact mitigation, harm reduction, HIV and sexual and reproductive health and rights linkages and community systems strengthening.
- Geographic Regions: The Alliance has 7 regional Technical Support (TS) hubs (Latin America, the Caribbean, West and North Africa, East, Central and Southern Africa, Eastern Europe and Central Asia, South Asia, and South East Asia). They provide South-South technical assistance that strengthens local responses to HIV/AIDS. TS Hubs link organizations that are responsible for supporting thousands of community organizations in more than 40 countries.
- TS Hubs are available to support proposal development. In addition, TS Hubs provide technical assistance to Principal and Sub-recipients in grant implementation and compliance, as well as CCM strengthening.
- Sources of funding:
 - For proposal development: Civil society organizations applying for technical assistance funds from UNAIDS Technical Support Facilities (TSF) may request in their applications technical support from the Alliance. The technical support provider is ultimately negotiated between the TSF and the applicant. More information on the TSFs, including contact information for 6 regional facilities, is available at <http://www.unaids.org/en/CountryResponses/TechnicalSupport/TSF/default.asp>. Limited funding from the Alliance may also be available.
 - For non-Global Fund technical support: The Alliance Regional TS Hubs normally charge the client for the cost of the TS. Funding may also be available through grants and contracts awarded to the hub.
- Previous experience with developing Global Fund proposals:
 - The Alliance Secretariat provided technical support to CCMs in Zambia on Round 8 and in Sudan and Mongolia on Round 9 in developing proposals that included community systems strengthening interventions.
 - The Eastern European and Central Asia hub assisted the Kazakh Union of PLHIV in developing of work plan for a Round 8 proposal. It also provided support to the Foundation of Development of Ukraine to develop a Round 9 proposal on TB.
 - The East, Central and Southern Africa hub provided support to civil society in Uganda to develop a concept note on Multiple Principal Recipients for the Global Fund.
- Contacts:
 - For Global Fund proposal development, implementation, and pre-signature support, and CCM strengthening, please contact the Alliance Secretariat in the United Kingdom: Lee Abdelfadil (labdelfadil@aidalliance.org; +44-1273-718900, ext. 8962) or Renato Pinto (rpinto@aidalliance.org; +44-1273-718900, ext.2969)

- For non-Global Fund related technical support requests:
 - Latin America hub, based in Peru
Miguel Martinez – Hub Coordinator
Contact: alliancecrat@vialibre.org.pe
 - Caribbean hub, based in Jamaica
Denise Chevannes Vogel – Hub Manager
Contact: dchevannes@alliancecarib.org.tt
 - West and North Africa hub, based in Burkina Faso
Paul Andre Some – Hub Coordinator
Dieudonne Bassonon – Technical Advisor
Contact: dbassonon@yahoo.fr
 - East, Central and Southern Africa hub, based in Uganda
Leonard Okello – Program Director Alliance Uganda and responsible for the TS Hub
Betty Mugala – Hub Administrator
Contact: bmugala@allianceuganda.org
 - Eastern Europe and Central Asia hub, based in Ukraine
Vlasta Brodska – Hub Director
Contact: brodska@aidsalliance.org.ua
 - South Asia hub, based in India
Shaleen Rakesh – Director Technical Support
Joydeep Sen – Hub Manager
Contact: srakesh@aidsalliance.org
 - Southeast Asia hub, based in Cambodia
Paula Gleeson – Hub Manager
Sok Vatola – Hub Officer
Contact: seap.ts.hub@khana.org.kh

Some additional contact information on several of the major multilateral agencies and partners that provide technical assistance for Global Fund proposal development, and may be able to provide or direct you to sources of support for Health Systems Strengthening-related proposals, is below. Bilateral development agencies may also be available to provide technical support. Local and regional institutions may also be able to provide technical support.

The World Health Organization (WHO)

You may contact your WHO Country Office. Contact information for many country offices is available through:

<http://www.who.int/countries/en/>

Contact information on regional offices is available through:

<http://www.who.int/about/regions/en/index.html>

UNAIDS Technical Support Facilities

More information on the Technical Support Facilities is available at

<http://www.unaids.org/en/CountryResponses/TechnicalSupport/TSF/default.asp>

Contact information:

ICTC (Brazil) - cict@aids.gov.br

TSF Southern Africa - info@tsfsouthernafrica.com

TSF Eastern Africa - tsfeasternafrica@amrefhq.org

TSF West and Central Africa - tsfwca@tsfwca.org

TSF South East Asia and the Pacific - info@tsfseap.org

TSF South Asia - info@tsfsouthasia.org

Roll Back Malaria – <http://www.rollbackmalaria.org/>

Stop TB – <http://www.stoptb.org>