Accelerating Access to Interactive, Action-Ready TB Data

Combatting tuberculosis (TB) is a top priority of the United States Government. Improved analysis of data will enable the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), national TB programs (NTPs), and other stakeholders at the country level to implement effective and efficient TB programs. Better communication and education are needed about the disease and about USAID’s support. The new TB Data, Impact Assessment and Communications Hub (TB DIAH) project is a cornerstone of USAID’s new model to fight TB: the Global Accelerator to End Tuberculosis (https://www.usaid.gov/global-health/health-areas/tuberculosis/resources/news-and-updates/global-accelerator-end-tb).

The accelerator focuses on locally generated solutions to meet the needs of people and their communities for TB diagnosis, treatment, and prevention; to address stigma and discrimination; and to engage communities, the private sector, and civil society (including faith-based partners).

**Objective**

TB DIAH aims to ensure optimal demand for and analysis of routine and nonroutine TB data and their appropriate use to support interventions, policies, and performance management of USAID, national governments, health ministries, and NTPs.

The project focuses on high-burden countries to reach the United Nations global targets to combat TB: by 2022, diagnose and successfully treat 40 million people, including 3.5 million children and 1.5 million people with drug-resistant TB; preventively treat 30 million people (4 million children under age five, 20 million household contacts of people affected by TB, and 6 million people living with HIV/AIDS); and increase global investments for ending TB to at least US$13 billion.

**What the TB DIAH project does**

- Strengthens collection, analysis, and use of routine and nonroutine TB data
- Improves performance-based monitoring and evaluation (M&E) frameworks and information gathering, including the design and implementation of tools, methods, and technical guidance to meet user needs
- Strengthens reporting and communication about methods, tools, and approaches

**What the project offers**

TB DIAH (www.tbdiah.org) is an interactive, one-stop, online resource that meets the needs of TB stakeholders in the following ways:

- Enables USAID, NTPs, and TB experts to find, download, and query TB data for maximizing and synergizing investments toward ending TB
- Identifies data sources, resources, and systems in USAID priority countries to help missions and programs monitor progress toward country goals and global targets
- Serves as a decision-support tool for country data users and managers on investment, policy, research, and operations
- Provides templates of easy-to-use, interactive dashboards and data visualizations of TB data that countries can adapt for data analysis, M&E, and reporting
- Provides curated best practices, information, and materials for stronger data reporting and increased data analysis and use in a searchable repository
- Enables users of the TB DIAH website and the TB data hub to share methods, tools, and approaches

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