

Ensuring Continuity and Quality of Maternal and Child Health Services

During COVID-19 Pandemic

The project aims to improve the quality of child health and development services provided by rural primary healthcare (PHC) providers especially during the COVID-19 pandemic and to enhance the quality of the COVID-19 care of pediatric patients at the hospital level.

In the framework of the project, **32 experienced pediatricians-facilitators** will provide child health and development-related supportive supervision and face-to-face consultation to the medical staff of **935 rural ambulatories** throughout Georgia. In parallel, the clinical protocols on the **diagnosis, management, and prevention of COVID-19** among pediatric patients at hospitals will be updated by the authors of the protocol and the five trainings will be provided to the staff of pediatric hospitals of Tbilisi, Rustavi, Telavi, and Marneuli.

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PROJECT FOCUS

Supportive supervision of rural family doctors in the management of COVID-19 among children and in the differential diagnosis of common child health conditions and COVID-19

Implementation of newly approved pediatric protocols (respiratory, diarrheal, fever management, and supervision of child health and development), based on the review of specific clinical cases and using a clinical audit tool

Capacity building of pediatric hospital staff in the diagnosis, management, and prevention of COVID-19 among pediatric patients.

PROJECT AIM

Improvement of continuity and quality of child health and development services

Improvement of management of COVID-19 among children on a hospital level

PROJECT RESULTS

Supportive supervision (face-to-face coaching and group consultation) was provided to 935 rural ambulatories in the child health and development issues and COVID-19 management through undertaking two on-spot visits in each ambulatory under the supervision and conducting 8 online meetings with each ambulatory during 7 months.

5 trainings were delivered to the medical personnel of pediatric hospitals of Tbilisi, Rustavi, Marneuli, and Telavi in the updated protocols “Diagnostics and Management of COVID 19 infection caused by a novel CoronaVirus (Sars-CoV-2) in pediatric patients” and “Multi-system inflammatory syndrome in children caused by a Novel CoronaVirus (SARS-CoV- 2)”.

As a result, continuity and quality of maternal and child health services, both at primary and secondary levels during the COVID-19 pandemic ensured.

TARGET GROUPS

Medical personnel of **935 rural ambulatories**

5 Pediatric hospitals staff

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