







Support to Primary Healthcare Strengthening in Georgia (Phase II)



With the financial support of the Czech Development Agency, Caritas Czech Republic is collaborating with the Ministry of Health (MoILHSA) of Georgia to strengthen primary healthcare through:

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the introduction of primary healthcare (PHC) quality management instruments B

the development of countrywide, comprehensive IT solutions for primary healthcare С

the updating of qualification standards and requirements and the establishment of careerlong learning programs for primary healthcare professionals.

Georgia will benefit from the project outcomes as all of them will eventually be handed over to the Ministry. The project deliverables will be piloted at target locations of the Mtskheta-Mtianeti and Samegrelo-Zemo Svaneti regions of Georgia. At the same time, the Project will continue to enhance the system of quality measurement and improvement at five pilot medical facilities in Tbilisi from Phase I. In total, 46 primary healthcare facilities will be included in the project including 146 village doctors and nurses from Dusheti and Zugdidi municipalities.

PROJECT RESULTS:

A new standardized E-Management Information System (E-MIS), including local Electronic Medical Records. Stock Management, Billing module, etc., will be developed.

Countrywide E-Queue Management, Telemedicine and E-Referral Management Systems will be created.

A Countrywide Electronic Medical Records Repository for PHC services will be developed.

Data collection/synchronization and analytical modules for primary healthcare will be expanded.

Village doctors and the staff of Primary HealthCare centers will be trained in the use of the new e-MIS and other IT systems developed within the project scope.

Clinical practice guidelines and care pathways for primary healthcare will be updated and village doctors will be trained in the use of the tools at target locations.

A facility-level performance management system will be introduced at target locations as part of the quality improvement loop.

Qualification standards and requirements will be developed for PHC providers.

8 Online learning modules for PHC will be developed in accordance with the already adopted clinical practice quidelines and 100 family physicians will be trained through these modules.

IN RESPONSE TO COVID-19 PANDEMIC:

Village doctors from all 10 regions of Georgia were trained in the management of suspicious cases of COVID-19 and post-COVID care at the PHC level (85% coverage).

Village doctors from all 10 regions of Georgia were trained in the management of side effects of COVID vaccination (90% coverage).

A laboratory information system was built for effective COVID-19 surveillance

The emergency response capacity of nearly 500 public health, central and regional laboratories' staff. infection disease specialists. medical facilities was strengthened through the training in the use of laboratory information system.

PROJECT DURATION: May 2020 - June 2023

PROJECT BUDGET: 1,266,257 €

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