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IMPROVING HEALTH SECURITY AND SYSTEMS

Health security is a global priority, particularly when infectious diseases know no borders. The United States and Indonesia collaborate to strengthen health systems and increase Indonesia’s self-reliance in preventing, detecting, and responding to global health challenges.

USAID strengthens Indonesia’s ability to plan, finance, and implement priority public health initiatives; increase the application of international standards of care; improve the supply and quality of available medicines; and ensure a functioning, affordable health insurance system. USAID also expands Indonesia’s self-reliance in controlling infectious diseases, such as tuberculosis, HIV/AIDS, and now COVID-19. These joint efforts increase security and prosperity while preventing suffering, saving lives, and brightening the future for Indonesian families.

MEETING TARGETS & MAINTAINING EPIDEMIC CONTROL (EpiC)

EpiC is a five-year, global project funded by the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) and USAID and implemented by FHI 360. It works to break through persistent barriers to HIV epidemic control, promote national management of HIV programs, and deliver efficient, affordable, results-based technical assistance and direct services.

In Indonesia, EpiC is also helping to accelerate and strengthen Indonesia’s health response in the areas of tuberculosis and COVID-19.

HIV/AIDS

EpiC works across 13 districts in DKI Jakarta, Banten and West Java provinces to improve access to HIV services, accelerate HIV treatment coverage, build capacities to institutionalize and scale PEPFAR

minimum program requirements, reach Indonesia's provincial HIV/AIDS control targets, and strengthen HIV systems at the national, sub-national and site levels.

TUBERCULOSIS (TB)

By capitalizing on the project's geographic reach and partnerships for HIV/AIDS, EpiC:

- Intensifies TB screening for people living with HIV (PLHIV) and vulnerable key populations;
- Tests all presumptive TB cases among PLHIV;
- Provides TB preventive treatment (TPT) to eligible PLHIV; and
- Optimizes treatment for co-infected TB and HIV patients in HIV service settings as part of the joint USAID-Government of Indonesia TB Recovery initiative.

COVID-19

With USAID COVID-19 funding, EpiC works to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and bolster Indonesia's health system to address COVID-19. Building on previous COVID work, which included upgrading the oxygen ecosystem, the project currently is working to accelerate widespread and equitable access to COVID-19 vaccinations in eight provinces and reduce morbidity and mortality from COVID-19 by strengthening contact tracing and case management.

PROGRAM RESULTS

In 2021, EpiC:

- Supported five Jakarta districts and eight Greater Jakarta districts to enroll over 95 percent of newly diagnosed PLHIV in HIV treatment services;
- Helped more than 36,000 PLHIV on HIV stay on treatment across Jakarta and surrounding areas;
- Made it possible for over 8,200 PLHIV, or nearly 30 percent of PLHIV in Jakarta, to continue to have reliable access to medications during the COVID-19 pandemic;
- Updated the national ARK 6.0 HIV cohort application to capture TB screening, treatment, and TB preventive treatment data for individual PLHIV, and initiated a communications campaign to increase uptake of TB preventive treatment;
- Supported more than 3,000 private sector doctors and nurses to carry out mobile outreach COVID-19 vaccinations in Jakarta, Banten, and West Java provinces; and
- Helped vaccinate more than 1.7 million people for COVID-19 in 36 regencies/municipalities.

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