

**INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET
APPRAISAL STAGE**

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

1. Basic Project Data

Country:	Ukraine	Project ID:	P144893
Project Name:	Improving Health Services for the Population (P144893)		
Task Team Leader(s):	Paolo Belli		
Estimated Appraisal Date:	17-Nov-2014	Estimated Board Date:	04-Mar-2015
Managing Unit:	GHNDR	Lending Instrument:	Investment Project Financing
Sector(s):	Health (90%), Public administration- Health (10%)		
Theme(s):	Health system performance (50%), Injuries and non-communicable diseases (40%), Public expenditure, financial management and procurement (10%)		
Is this project processed under OP 8.50 (Emergency Recovery) or OP 8.00 (Rapid Response to Crises and Emergencies)?			No
Financing (In USD Million)			
Total Project Cost:	261.30	Total Bank Financing:	215.00
Financing Gap:	0.00		
Financing Source			Amount
Borrower			46.30
International Bank for Reconstruction and Development			215.00
Total			261.30
Environmental Category:	B - Partial Assessment		
Is this a Repeater project?	No		

2. Project Development Objective(s)

The proposed “Improving Health Services for the Population” Project seeks to improve the quality of health services in selected Oblasts, with special focus on primary and secondary prevention of cardiovascular diseases and cancer, and to enhance efficiency of the health care system.

3. Project Description

Project Components

Component 1: Improving service delivery at the local level (estimated funding US\$ 189.53 million). Under this component the Project would provide financing to selected Oblasts to carry out investment sub-projects aimed at prevention, early detection and treatment of cardiovascular diseases and cancer and at increasing efficiency of their health care delivery system (“Oblast Sub-projects”), including activities focused on improving primary health care, fighting cardiovascular diseases (CVDs) at the primary and secondary care levels, early cancer detection, and health delivery system rationalization.

Oblasts of Ukraine were invited to submit proposals and, after a competitive process, eight Oblast sub-projects were selected. In the first phase, a Committee created by MoH and including representatives of MoF and MoE, as well International experts from the World Bank, preselected 11 oblasts -from 22 proposals received. The Committee evaluated Oblast project proposals according to a previously agreed scorecard. In the second phase, the Bank project preparation team engaged with all of the preselected Oblasts to improve their initial proposals. Oblasts were requested to show their ability to build a result and evidence based planning process. Four workshops were conducted in 2013 and 2014 to help Oblasts finalize their proposals. Because of the conflict situation and the different degree of readiness of the preselected Oblasts, eight Oblasts were finally selected to start implementation. Oblast proposals are summarized in Annex 2 and 6.

The selected Oblasts are Dnepropetrovsk, Poltava, Rivne, Vinnitsa, Volyn, Lviv, Zakarpatya and Zaporizhya, with a budget up to US\$ 41 million funded by the Bank, plus at least 10 percent Oblast co-financing. The eight sub-projects in the above Oblasts would start simultaneously, and the three smaller ones (Lviv, Zakarpatya and Zaporizhya) would finish after three years. It is intended that there would be a second round of smaller proposals to cover the last years of implementation, using the savings in all Project components, reallocation across Oblasts, and possibly additional financing. A mechanism for reallocation of Project proceeds from low performing Oblasts to better performing ones has been agreed, and is described in detail in the Project Operations Manual (POM). If one or more Oblasts fail to implement the agreed activities in a timely manner, funds would be transferred to better performing Oblasts upon decision of the MoH and the Bank.

Component 2: Strengthen MoH governance (estimated funding of US \$ 20.2 million). All the activities in Component 2 have been clustered around five thematic areas, under the MoH as implementing agency: Payment System Reform, e-Health/Information Systems Development, Public Health, Information and Communication, and Capacity Building. In addition, a decision has been made to bundle the resources of the five subcomponents into a common pool.

- a. Payment Systems Reform: a new hospital payment system based on Diagnostic Related Groups (DRGs) would be designed, piloted, and implemented in Ukraine (initial budget: US\$ 9,434,807).
- b. E-Health Development: the Project would contribute to strengthen the availability of reliable and accurate health information at all levels, and the MoH stewardship role in e-Health development in Ukraine (initial budget: US\$ 2,953,165).
- c. Public Health: the Project would support the preparation and implementation of a strategy and action plan for development of public health services, including stimulating primary prevention activities against relevant risk factors and strengthening disease surveillance with a focus on NCDs (initial budget: US\$ 2,080,000).
- d. Information and Communication: the Project would support information campaigns to keep

up the reform momentum, receive feedback from Project beneficiaries, and it would invest in some specific communication tools, such as developing a web page on the reforms (initial budget: US\$ 1,940,000).

e. **Capacity Building:** the Project would organize and carry out learning activities and events at national level focused on improving management of health services. It would also facilitate continuous learning in the selected Oblasts, through inter-Oblast learning and exposure to international experience in the areas of relevance (initial budget: US\$ 3,790,000).

Component 3: Project implementation support, and monitoring and evaluation, (estimated funding US \$ 4.74 million). This component would support the Project Consultancy Support Unit (PCSU) at national level, responsible for Project implementation support and technical assistance to the Oblasts. In addition, it would sponsor complementary data collection and analysis activities for monitoring results as necessary. The information from the existing Health Management Information System (HMIS) would be complemented through audit of medical records on a sample basis as well as through evidence based on specific, ad hoc household and facility surveys. In addition, the Project would organize learning events to educate and promote better use of evidence for policy.

4. Project location and salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

The project will be implemented in 8 oblasts of Ukraine (Poltava, Dnepropetrovsk, Vinnitsa, Volyn, Rivne, Lviv, Zakarpatya, Zaporizhya). Potential negative impacts of the project are predictable, small-scale and manageable. These potential impacts are associated with rehabilitation and reconstruction of existing premises of hospitals, polyclinics, and primary care centers in sub-projects under Component 1. It is expected that most of the sub-projects will be Environmental Category C (e.g. procurement of medical equipment, small-scale works on renovation, rehabilitation and reconstruction of existing premises). A sub-project involving a new building as a way to optimize the network of emergency cardiac services may require Environmental Category B (Vinnitsa Oblast). Any activities that may cause any permanent or temporary physical or economic displacement will be excluded from the project. Therefore the Involuntary Resettlement Policy OP4.12 is not triggered.

5. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists

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6. Safeguard Policies	Triggered?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	Yes	Most of the sub-projects will be Environmental Category C (e.g. procurement of medical equipment, small-scale renovation) or "Low B" (rehabilitation and reconstruction of existing premises). Vynnytsya sub-project (new construction) will be Environmental Category B and will require preparation of the EMP. Environmental impacts will be limited and site-specific and will be mitigated by good construction and housekeeping practices. Category Low B or C sub-project will require preparation of the EMP Checklist. Environmental Management Framework (EMF) was prepared and will serve as a basis for preparation of EMP for Vynnytsya sub-project and site-specific EMP Checklists for other sub-projects.

Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	No	Project activities are not expected to have an impact on physical cultural resources. In case project activities take place in the historic buildings, the design documentation will be reviewed and cleared by local governmental body for protection of the cultural heritage. In this case Physical Cultural Resources Action Plan will be prepared for specific project activities. All contracts for works in historic buildings will include provisions for chance finds procedure.
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	The project is not expected to require any land acquisition. Any minor new constructions that may happen under the project will happen on the territory of the health facilities which is not used in any other way. Thus economic or physical displacement of temporary or permanent nature will not be caused by the project. The oblast level implementation units will be trained additionally on OP4.12 to ensure that any potential displacement cases are strictly avoided. The provision for that will be included in the POM.
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	

II. Key Safeguard Policy Issues and Their Management

A. Summary of Key Safeguard Issues

1. Describe any safeguard issues and impacts associated with the proposed project. Identify and describe any potential large scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts:

Activities under the project involve small-scale reconstruction/renovation works of existing buildings on a number of sites, in many rayons, cities, towns and villages. By these reconstruction works the existing buildings/premises will be converted into ambulatories of primary health care, or (as one case in the city of Dnipropetrovsk) one floor of existing clinic will be renovated. Existing facilities are being used as health care facilities, or (on some sites in villages) were used in the past as offices or kindergartens or for other public purposes. Reconstruction will involve various works inside the buildings, windows/doors replacement, roofing (if needed), facade works

<p>and necessary improvement of existing infrastructure on the site. There will be no infrastructure works outside the facility site (power, water, sewerage lines) carried out in the framework of this project.</p> <p>One subproject (Vinnitsa) envisages construction of a new cardiological center (hospital) on the land plot that has been allocated for this purpose by city authorities. It is expected that the total floor area of this facility will be between 10,000-20,000 sq.m. The land plot is situated within the existing footprint of "medical town" in the city of Vinnitsa, where there are already a number of hospitals, clinics and other associated facilities. Currently this land is not used; most of it is covered with shrubs and trees growing wild.</p> <p>There are no potential large-scale, significant and/or irreversible impacts expected as a result of project activities.</p>
<p>2. Describe any potential indirect and/or long term impacts due to anticipated future activities in the project area:</p>
<p>No potential indirect and/or long term impacts are expected due to anticipated future activities in the project area.</p>
<p>3. Describe any project alternatives (if relevant) considered to help avoid or minimize adverse impacts.</p>
<p>N/A</p>
<p>4. Describe measures taken by the borrower to address safeguard policy issues. Provide an assessment of borrower capacity to plan and implement the measures described.</p>
<p>The Ministry of Health established the PSCU and hired a designated safeguards specialist with good experience of environmental assessment and public consultations.</p>
<p>5. Identify the key stakeholders and describe the mechanisms for consultation and disclosure on safeguard policies, with an emphasis on potentially affected people.</p>
<p>General population in the project area, health care institutions are key stakeholders of this project. The Environmental Management Framework (EMF) was prepared by the client and will be disclosed and consulted upon by the Client prior to project appraisal.</p>

B. Disclosure Requirements

Environmental Assessment/Audit/Management Plan/Other	
Date of receipt by the Bank	10-Sep-2014
Date of submission to InfoShop	20-Oct-2014
For category A projects, date of distributing the Executive Summary of the EA to the Executive Directors	
"In country" Disclosure	
Ukraine	17-Oct-2014
<i>Comments:</i>	
If the project triggers the Pest Management and/or Physical Cultural Resources policies, the respective issues are to be addressed and disclosed as part of the Environmental Assessment/Audit/or EMP.	
If in-country disclosure of any of the above documents is not expected, please explain why:	
N/A	

C. Compliance Monitoring Indicators at the Corporate Level

OP/BP/GP 4.01 - Environment Assessment	
Does the project require a stand-alone EA (including EMP) report?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
If yes, then did the Regional Environment Unit or Practice Manager (PM) review and approve the EA report?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
Are the cost and the accountabilities for the EMP incorporated in the credit/loan?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
The World Bank Policy on Disclosure of Information	
Have relevant safeguard policies documents been sent to the World Bank's Infoshop?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
Have relevant documents been disclosed in-country in a public place in a form and language that are understandable and accessible to project-affected groups and local NGOs?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
All Safeguard Policies	
Have satisfactory calendar, budget and clear institutional responsibilities been prepared for the implementation of measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
Have costs related to safeguard policy measures been included in the project cost?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
Does the Monitoring and Evaluation system of the project include the monitoring of safeguard impacts and measures related to safeguard policies?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]
Have satisfactory implementation arrangements been agreed with the borrower and the same been adequately reflected in the project legal documents?	Yes [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No [<input type="checkbox"/>] NA [<input type="checkbox"/>]

III. APPROVALS

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