

A Message from USAID

"AIDSTAR – the AIDS Support and Technical Resources Program – Sector One is a multiple-award Indefinite Quantity Contract with seven prime contractors providing service delivery for HIV/AIDS. The award offers USAID Missions, headquarters Bureaus, other US government agencies and the Global Fund access to HIV prevention, care, and treatment support in resource constrained settings worldwide. AIDSTAR – Sector One can be accessed through a fair consideration process from either headquarters or field Missions. The Contract Office will make a competitive final award, selected among the seven prime contractors.

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AIDSTAR

– AIDS Support and Technical Assistance Resources Program –

SECTOR ONE

Continuing over 24 years of expert assistance to USAID programs in HIV/AIDS



RTI International is one of the world's leading research institutes, dedicated to improving the human condition by turning knowledge into practice. With projects in more than 40 countries and a staff of more than 2,600, RTI offers innovative research and technical solutions to governments and businesses worldwide in the areas of health and pharmaceuticals, education and training, surveys and statistics, advanced technology, democratic governance, economic and social development, energy, and the environment. RTI maintains eight offices in the U.S., six international offices, two international subsidiaries, and project offices around the world. For more information, visit www.rti.org.

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Key Elements of AIDSTAR–Sector One

- Provides implementation support for the expansion of HIV/AIDS services across the continuum of prevention, care support, and treatment
- Five-year contract (July 2007–June 2012), with an overall ceiling price of \$500 million, that promotes competitive bids
- Encourages partnering with indigenous institutions

Through new and existing partnerships, AIDSTAR–Sector One will

- Strengthen host country ability to design and implement effective, evidence-based HIV/AIDS interventions and increase capacity to effectively manage scale-up and sustainability
- Conduct and oversee data collection, analysis, and reporting activities
- Document and disseminate successful approaches, tools, and methodologies; sustainable models; and evidence-based best practices and lessons learned

RTI International: A Qualified Leader in HIV/AIDS Research and Intervention

RTI is one of the world’s leading independent nonprofit research institutes. RTI’s expertise bridges sectors from health and education to democracy and governance, each equally vital for an effective, country-level response to HIV/AIDS. RTI has experience in 30 countries addressing

challenges at the heart of AIDSTAR–Sector One, including prevention education; HIV counseling and testing (HCT); care and support; workplace programs; district-level services scale-up; costing and resource planning; and policy and intervention-based research.

The RTI Team

The RTI team has extensive worldwide experience in HIV/AIDS programs and a shared record of success working with local organizations to increase their long-term capacity to deliver high-quality programs and services. Technical areas of expertise include

- Prevention, palliative care, and support
- Pediatrics and family-oriented antiretroviral treatment (ART)
- Community-based orphans and vulnerable children (OVC) programming
- Support for people living with HIV/AIDS (PLWHAs)
- Gender, stigma, and discrimination
- Clinical and community-based training
- Institutional capacity building

The RTI team’s network of permanent offices and/or ongoing projects in over 80 countries includes all 20 of the President’s Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) countries. The RTI team’s strong relationships with local organizations and its ability to mobilize quickly facilitate effective responses to task orders and provide the combination of skills necessary to meet the needs of USAID Missions and Bureaus using the AIDSTAR–Sector One mechanism.

RTI’s AIDSTAR–Sector One Partners

American Red Cross (<http://www.redcross.org/hiv>) mobilizes networks to address HIV prevention, care and support, counseling, treatment activities, blood safety, and training.

Baylor International Pediatric AIDS Initiative (<http://www.bayloraids.org>), the largest university-based pediatric HIV/AIDS program, brings expertise in pediatrics care and treatment, and training.

CARE (<http://www.care.org>) uses multisectoral, community-based approaches to HIV/AIDS prevention and care and support programming for OVC, youth, women, and migrant workers.

International Humana People to People Movement (<http://www.humana.org>) applies the “Total Control of the Epidemic” strategy, designed to mobilize people themselves to control HIV/AIDS.

Infectious Diseases Institute (<http://www.idi.ac.ug>), a Ugandan nongovernmental organization (NGO), specializes in prevention, clinical care and treatment, training and research, and fosters the role of PLWHAs.

The Manoff Group (<http://www.manoffgroup.com>), a woman-owned small business, is a leader in behavior change communication for treatment adherence, prevention activities, and palliative care.

Pact (<http://www.pactworld.org>) specializes in local NGO capacity building in network strengthening, monitoring and evaluation, community-based prevention, care, and OVC programming.

Plan USA (<http://www.planusa.org>) addresses OVC needs, adherence support, home-based care programs, and care and treatment systems strengthening.

Project Concern International (<http://www.projectconcern.org>) supports prevention and care, HCT, health-care systems improvement, applied and formative research, social mobilization, and PLWHA and OVC programs.