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# HEALTH SYSTEM STRENGTHENING

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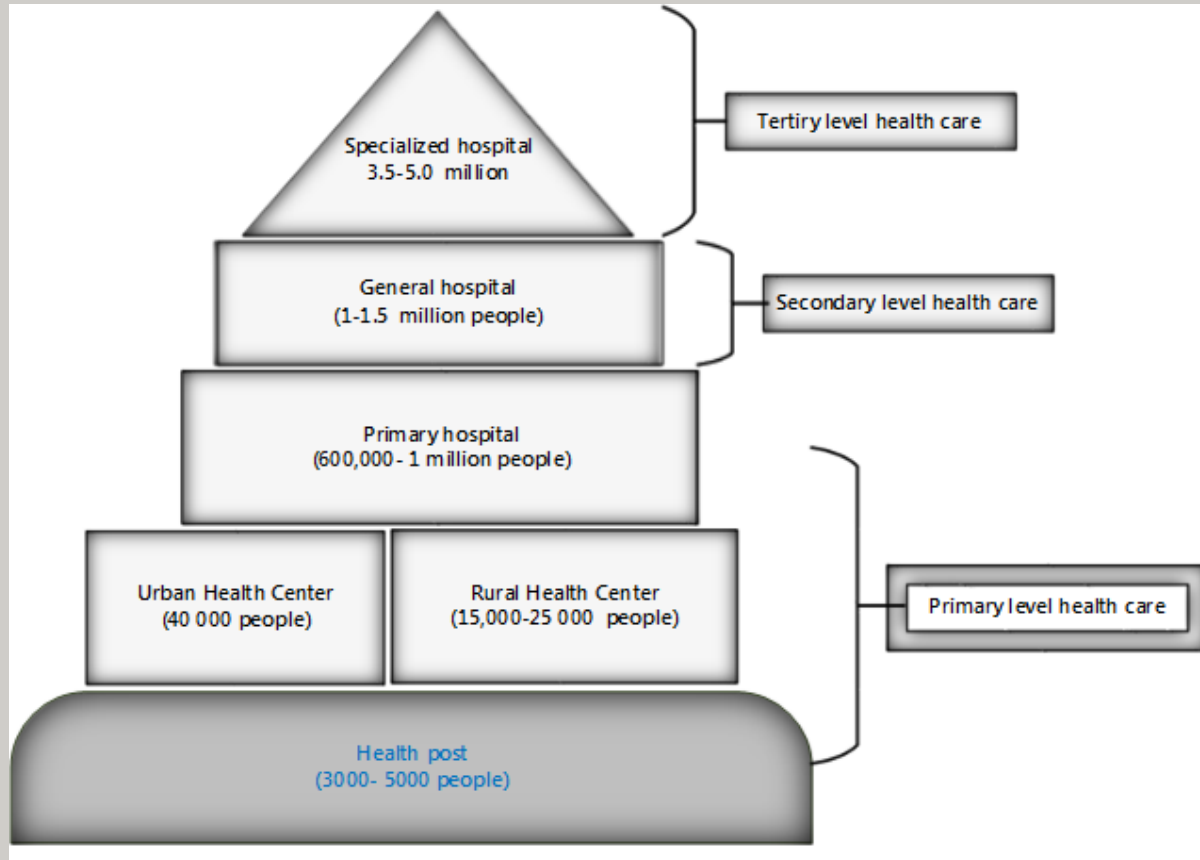


# Health System Context

## Improvements

- Government commitment to providing equitable services
- Government expansion of DHIS2
- Desire to scale-up Community Based Health Insurance and develop a social health insurance plan
- Better health outcomes

# Ethiopia Health System



# Health System Challenges per the MTR of HSTP I

- Political, regulatory, and institutional barriers; inadequate accountability; and weak institutional and management capacity
- Poor quality of care throughout all levels of the health system
- Inequitable allocation of resources, particularly in “developing” regions and remote communities
- Inadequate transparency at all levels about sources, amounts of funding available, and expenditures for health  
Weak collaboration and partnership with the private sector
- Insufficient financing for the health sector leading to continued dependence on donor funding and high out-of-pocket payments
- Limited capacity to collect, analyze, and use quality data for decision making

# Problem Statement

The GOE does not have full capacity and sufficient resources to consistently and sustainably deliver equitable and quality essential health services, especially given growing demographic pressures and emerging health needs.

# HSS Project

Improved Ethiopian health system performance for responsive, efficient, equitable and quality services.



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## HSS Quick Facts

- Led by USAID's Health Office
- Collaboration with USAID's Economic Growth & Transformation and other Offices
- Work hand in hand with the Empowered Communities for Better Health Project
- Work in 450 woredas, reaching all regions
- Total estimated funding: 310 million USD

# WHAT IS NEW?

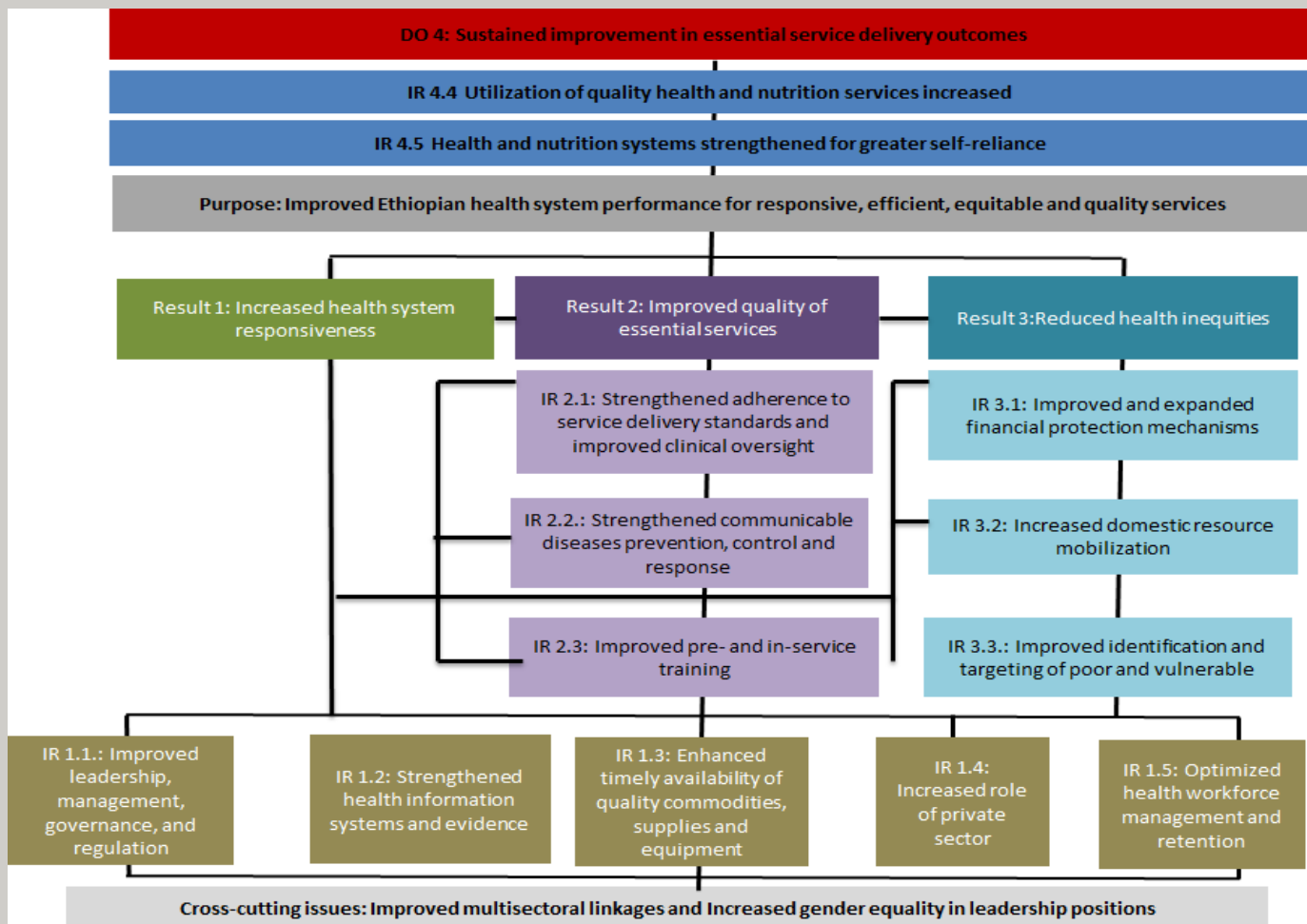
- Intentional integration of democracy, rights, and governance principles
- Intentional approach to
  - expand private sector opportunities in all areas of health system strengthening
  - develop government's regulatory capacity and contract management roles vis-a-vis the private sector
- Systems approach: more than cumulation of building blocks



# Theory of Change

**If** GOE increases its commitment to social inclusiveness and accountability; improves its capacity (in partnership with the private sector and civil society) to provide quality essential health services; and strengthens associated health system functions (governance, financing, human resources, pharmaceutical/medical technology and information systems); **then** health system responsiveness, equity, quality, efficiency, and resilience will increase.

# Results Framework



## Request for Information—Public Questions

1. Are there any major gaps—not represented in this project (PAD) to advancing the health system in Ethiopia (and not covered in the ECBH PAD)?
2. Is the logic model sound? How do you see all the components of the HSS PAD coming together to support the whole system (the six building blocks + infectious disease control) and achieve results?
3. How should USAID program in secondary and tertiary urban towns to support urban municipal health systems? What are the opportunities and challenges to be aware of in urban health programming?
4. Which are the best ways to engage private sector—corporate, ancillary, and service providers in improving the health systems approach?
5. How should USAID prioritize national vs. regional health systems to further advance or accelerate progress of the health system? What is the right level of effort?

## Request for Information—Public Questions

6. What governance/policy issues are priorities to address right now and over the next five years?
7. USAID strives to put women and girls at the center of its service delivery work. How can USAID meaningfully support service delivery that is women and girl centered in the health, nutrition, and WASH sectors?
8. How can USAID better engage with the diaspora to contribute to the country's development priorities related to health?
9. Does USAID's systems approach as described in this PAD fit within the Government's HSTP priorities?
10. Is there sufficient room for innovation? Where should we prioritize opportunities for innovation?

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