

Integrated Health System Strengthening



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Background

Amref Health Africa, with a vision of Lasting Health Change in Africa and headquartered in Kenya, is the largest Africa-based international non-governmental organization currently running programmes in over 35 countries in Africa with lessons learnt over 60 years of engagement with governments, communities and partners to increase sustainable health access in Africa. Amref has been active in Ethiopia since the 1960s and became fully operational as of 2002. We have been partnering with the Ethiopian government and local communities to co-create solutions and implement diverse health and development project portfolios.

Integrated Health System Strengthening (IHSS) is a comprehensive initiative with the goal of enhancing availability, readiness, and equitable utilization of quality health service by improving primary healthcare governance, enhancing healthcare financing and availability of essential health system inputs for service delivery at the subnational levels. This initiative aligns with the MoH's investment in HSS which is based on a primary health care (PHC) approach to progressively realize Universal Health Coverage.



Project Period

August 2023 – March 2028

Donor

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Key Government Stakeholder

The Ministry of Health

Target Regions for Implementation

Afar, Amhara, Oromia, Sidama, and Somali regions

Primary Outcomes

1

Improve PHC governance at subnational level through enhanced subnational planning and coordination, improved accountability for, and enhanced leadership capacity

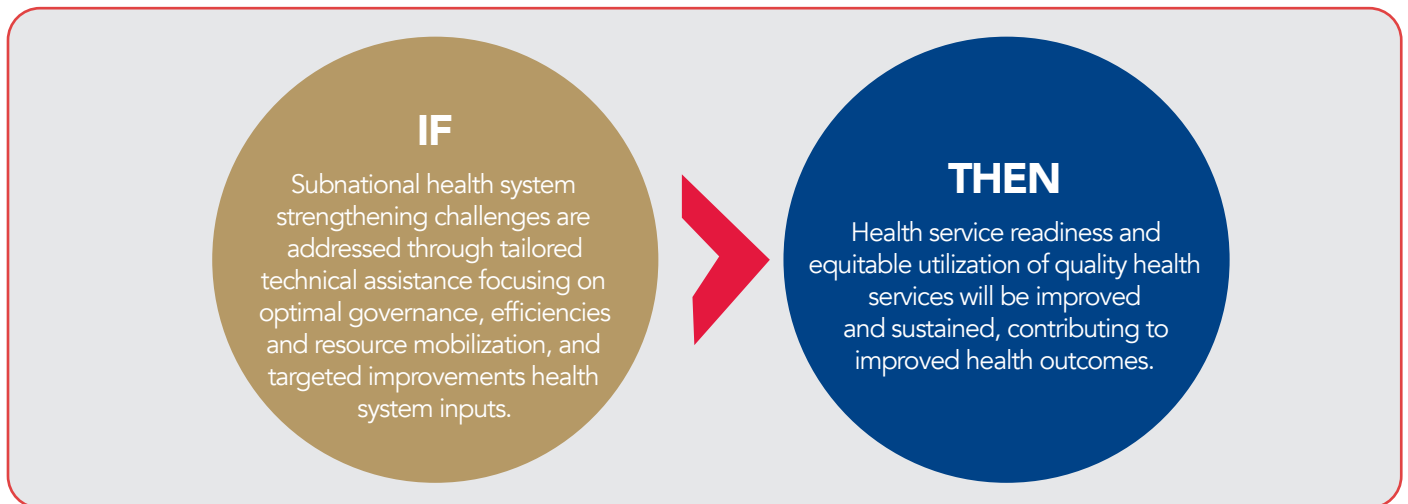
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Improve efficiencies and resource mobilization for health at the subnational level through enhanced resource mobilization and improved allocation efficiency to maximize health resource utilization and management

3

Ensure availability of essential inputs at subnational level through improved competency and productivity of HRH, improved availability of essential commodities, and improved data quality and use to inform HSS investment

Our Theory of Change



Approach

The Integrated Health System Strengthening (IHSS) initiative is a comprehensive program aimed at improving the availability, readiness, and equitable utilization of quality health services in Ethiopia. Spanning from August 2023 to March 2028, it focuses on integrating existing health system silo programs at subnational levels, particularly addressing critical bottlenecks in primary health care facilities across Afar, Amhara, Oromia, Sidama, and Somali regions.

Project Phases

