

HLSP is a professional services firm specialising in the health sector both in the UK and globally. Working with international agencies and national governments, HLSP strives to advance health systems, reduce poverty and combat HIV and AIDS through long-term sustainable solutions.



Launching a tuberculosis programme in Jigawa State, Nigeria

Working to improve world health

Strengthening services and systems for the prevention and treatment of communicable diseases

HLSP is committed to using its established expertise in both health systems development and public health to improve global and country responses in communicable disease control (CDC) as part of the wider process of achieving the Millennium Development Goals (MDGs).

The MDGs set challenging global communicable disease targets for countries and development partners to reduce the incidence of malaria, tuberculosis (TB) and rotavirus (diarrhoea and vomiting in very young children) by 2015. HLSP provides both technical and managerial support to strengthen the links between public health policy, best practice in CDC programmes, including their integration into wider health systems.

In many regions, the private sector has an increasing role in providing communicable disease services. HLSP advocates and supports the development of stronger government stewardship in setting and monitoring standards of care and engagement of the private sector – through programmes such as social marketing of Insecticide Treated Nets (ITNs) to reduce the transmission of malaria and franchising to improve the quality of drugs directly purchased from private sector providers.

In addition to the established major global diseases, HLSP is providing support to private sector partners on emergent communicable diseases such as Avian Influenza and Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome (SARS) in an effort to reduce transmission, understand the risks and contribute to an informed debate about their potential impact.

Note: Details of our HIV and AIDS experience can be found in a separate HIV and AIDS flyer.

Expertise

- Providing advice on policy and capacity building for improved delivery of services for CDC
- Developing and strengthening surveillance systems
- Advice on best practice on access to medicines – international and national policies and programming
- Strengthening public-private partnerships for CDC
- Evaluations and reviews of Global Health Partnerships



Malawi National TB Programme Review



Community DOT Supporters, South Africa

Our track record

HLSP's key strength is its ability to provide technical advice both in communicable disease control and health systems development based on over twenty years' experience in over 100 countries. Examples include:

Malaria

- Development of an evidence based review for Roll Back Malaria (RBM) WHO to promote national engagement with private sector providers in malaria prevention and treatment
- Mid term review of the European Commission support to the Regional Malaria Control Programme in Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam
- Preparing a project memorandum for 'Developing a sustainable ITN Market for malaria prevention in Mozambique'
- Strategic choices in increasing coverage of ITNs in Africa: DFID briefing note
- Support to National Malaria Programme, Nigeria – consultative workshops in four states

Tuberculosis

- Repeated annual reviews of the National TB Control Programme in Malawi including strengthening of Central Medical Stores
- Support to develop sustainable TB services in two oblasts in Russia, including a comprehensive plan for TB control, introduction of clinical protocols, innovative social outreach approaches and development of a TB website in Russian
- Health promotion technical support to China National TB Control Programme
- Development of a strategy for public-private partnerships (PPPs) as part of the National TB Programme, to enhance the management of TB by DOTS in Pakistan
- Review of TB monitoring and evaluation systems, Northern Sudan States for Global Fund to fight AIDS, TB and Malaria (GFATM)
- External evaluation of the International Union Against Tuberculosis and Lung Disease

Other communicable diseases

- DFID/World Bank consultancy on SARS and other infectious disease control programmes
- Study of the health and health systems impacts of PPPs for increased access to pharmaceuticals in low/middle-income countries (IPPPH)
- Rapid review of private sector provision for TB and HIV in nine African countries for HealthSpot Franchising Initiative

Review and advisory activities at global level

HLSP provides policy advice and review services for a range of partners, including national governments, bilateral and multilateral agencies, and Global Health Partnerships, including the Global Alliance for Vaccines and Immunization (GAVI), GFATM, RBM and the STOP TB Partnership.

- Evaluation of the Polio Eradication Initiative (PEI)
- Contributed to evaluating the progress and findings of the RBM partnership
- External evaluation of the functions and structure of the STOP TB Partnership and its impact on progress at the country level
- DFID analysis of Global Health Partnerships impact on commodity pricing, security and investment in research and development
- Analysing aid flows for the implementation of TB and malaria control strategies

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