

INTEGRATED SAFEGUARDS DATA SHEET

IDENTIFICATION / CONCEPT STAGE

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I. BASIC INFORMATION

A. Basic Project Data

Country:	Panama	Project ID:	P162475
Project Name:	PANAMA HEALTH INFORMATION SYSTEM PROJECT		
Team Leader(s):	Carlos Marcelo Bortman		
Estimated Date of Approval:	23-Jan-2017		
Managing Unit:	GHN04	Lending Instrument:	IPF
Financing (in USD Million)			
Total Project Cost:	0.29	Total Bank Financing:	0
Financing Gap:	0		
Financing Source			Amount
Trust Fund for Statistical Capacity Building			0.29
Environmental Category:	C - Not Required		

B. Project Development Objective(s)

The objective of the proposed Grant is to support Panama's Ministry of Health effort to integrate different national health information systems in order for better evidence-based policy and decision-making to ensure health service delivery to the areas most in need. The integration involves information systems for water and sanitation, zoonoses and vectors, different types of waste, pollution and environmental risks, among others.

C. Project Description

The Government of Panama implemented over the last two decades several initiatives to increase access to health services in rural populations, especially among comarcas, that achieved positive results. A key aspect for continuing strengthening the health system is the health information system. Data related to Panama's population health is currently collected by several different offices and governmental organizations. The health information system needs to be able to integrate all these different health sources for improving decision making and delivery of health services. In assessing the landscape and integration of different health information systems the project will ensure that information is disaggregated to be able to capture specific health data regarding vulnerable groups, particularly indigenous peoples. This will also help to create synergies with other World Bank initiatives in Panama targeting health services and indigenous peoples.

D. Project location and Salient physical characteristics relevant to the safeguard analysis (if known)

E. Borrowers Institutional Capacity for Safeguard Policies

There are no significant environmental or safeguard issues related to this Grant. However, recipient's implementing agency is relatively strong and capable, with more than ten years of experience with IDB and World Bank loans, procedures and policies.

F. Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialists on the Team

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II. SAFEGUARD POLICIES THAT MIGHT APPLY

Safeguard Policies	Triggered ?	Explanation (Optional)
Environmental Assessment OP/BP 4.01	No	No adverse environmental impact is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Natural Habitats OP/BP 4.04	No	No adverse impact on natural habits is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Forests OP/BP 4.36	No	No adverse impact on forests is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Pest Management OP 4.09	No	No adverse pest management impact is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Physical Cultural Resources OP/BP 4.11	No	No adverse impact on physical cultural resources is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing

		technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Indigenous Peoples OP/BP 4.10	No	No adverse impact on indigenous peoples is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting. In assessing the landscape of different health information systems and integrating such systems the project will ensure that information is disaggregated to be able to capture specific health data regarding vulnerable groups, particularly indigenous peoples.
Involuntary Resettlement OP/BP 4.12	No	No adverse involuntary resettlement impact is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Safety of Dams OP/BP 4.37	No	No adverse dams safety impact is expected under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Projects on International Waterways OP/BP 7.50	No	This safeguard will not be triggered under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.
Projects in Disputed Areas OP/BP 7.60	No	This safeguard will not be triggered under the Project due to the scope of project activities which focus on assessing the current health information and statistics system; defining a roadmap to integrate such systems; and providing technical training on proper data collection and reporting.

III. SAFEGUARD PREPARATION PLAN

IV. Approval

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