

Challenge Facility for Civil Society (CFCS)

'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation

FINAL REPORT

1. Expenses under the grant's budget

		US \$
A	Approved grant	9980,0
B	Funds received	8982,0
C	Total amount spent as per budget details	8982,40
D	Balance (B-C)	-0,40
E	Outstanding payment on receipt of this report	998,00

2. Narrative report

'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation has completed the implementation of the project 'Public examination of the state of palliative care provision by the Ukrainian state for patients with severe TB forms' supported for financing by Challenge Facility for Civil Society (CFCS) international programme run by the World Health Organisation.

The project's goal is to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care.

Under the project, the following activities were carried out:

- analysis of Ukraine's regulatory framework governing hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB;
- analytical examination of the results of hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB in Ukraine's regions;
- a trip to Sevastopol where meetings were held with officials, doctors and patients of Sevastopol TB Dispensary, with officials of Sevastopol State Administration, Sevastopol City Council and with representatives of NGOs dealing with TB control issues in the Sevastopol region;
- meetings with representatives of the Ukrainian Government to discuss issues concerning improvement of the regulatory framework in order to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care;
- meetings with people's deputies of Ukraine to discuss issues concerning improvement of Ukraine's legislation in order to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care;
- proposals were prepared and sent to Ukrainian government bodies about introducing amendments into regulatory documents concerning improvement of access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care. Based on the results of examination of the proposals submitted, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine issued Instruction of 12 January 2011 No. 77278/1/1-10 to the Ministry of Health of Ukraine about processing of the proposals provided by the Foundation in this area. Also, the Ministry of Health of Ukraine has included a representative of the Foundation in the working group to develop a Concept for the State Programme

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on TB Control for 2012-2016 who will advocate use of these proposals in the development of the Concept and the State Programme itself;

- a roundtable was held involving all the stakeholders to discuss proposals about improving access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care.

In the period from 15 November 2010 to 31 January 2011, working meetings were held where issues were discussed concerning improvement of access of patients with end-stage TB to palliative and hospice care and improvement of the legislative and regulatory framework in this area:

On 24 December 2010, a meeting was held with first deputy Health Minister Bidny Valeriy Grygorovych;

On 12 and 20 January 2011, meetings were held with head of the State Service of Ukraine to Control HIV/AIDS and Other Socially Dangerous Diseases Fedko Oleksandr Anatoliyovych;

On 27 December 2010 and 19 January 2011, meetings were held with head of the Committee to Control HIV/AIDS and Other Socially Dangerous Diseases with the Ministry of Health of Ukraine Cherenko Svitlana Oleksandrivna;

On 28 December 2010 and 11 January 2011, meetings were held with first deputy head of the Committee to Control HIV/AIDS and Other Socially Dangerous Diseases with the Ministry of Health of Ukraine Stelmakh Olga Mykhailivna;

On 27 December 2010 and 14 January 2011, meetings were held with chief specialist of the Committee to Control HIV/AIDS and Other Socially Dangerous Diseases with the Ministry of Health of Ukraine Kovalenko Olga Fedorivna.

As a result of these meetings, an agreement was reached on cooperation between 'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation and the Ministry of Health of Ukraine in improving the regulatory framework in the area of palliative and hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB.

First of all, this regards joint development of a number of measures to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to be included in a draft Concept for the State Programme on TB Control for 2012-2016 and in the State Programme itself. Also, the Foundation's specialists will be engaged in the development of regulatory acts of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine in this area.

Also, a number of working meetings were held with people's deputies of Ukraine who are members of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health:

On 22 and 24 December 2010, meetings were held with people's deputy of Ukraine Karpuk Volodymyr Georgiyovych, head of the subcommittee on legal support for medical care, therapeutic activities, medical education and science of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health;

On 17 December 2010 and 11 January 2011, working meetings were held with people's deputy of Ukraine Sorochynska-Kyrylenko Rayisa Mykolayivna, head of the subcommittee on medical insurance and control over implementation of state programmes in the area of public health of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health;

On 11 January 2011, a working meeting was held with people's deputy of Ukraine Gaidayev Yury Oleksandrovych, head of the subcommittee on legal support for state policy for public health, pharmacy development and pharmaceutical activities of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health.

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During these meetings, the people's deputies of Ukraine were familiarised with the current situation with hospice and palliative care provision for patients with end-stage TB and with proposals about improving the regulatory framework in this area. Also, 'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation was instructed to prepare materials about the situation with hospice and palliative care provision for patients with end-stage TB for a meeting of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health.

On 21 December 2010, 'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation organised and held a roundtable 'Public examination of the state of palliative and hospice care provision for patients with severe TB forms in Ukraine'.

At the roundtable, the results were presented of an analytical examination of the state of palliative and hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB in Ukraine's regions and of an analysis of Ukraine's regulatory framework governing palliative and hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB.

Also, roundtable participants were familiarised with the experience of palliative care provision in Mykolayiv Oblast and in Sevastopol.

Discussed were proposals about improving the relevant regulatory framework, prospects and future steps to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to palliative and hospice care services.

Roundtable participants supported these proposals and decisions to submit them to the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, the relevant committee of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine.

Roundtable materials, analysis of Ukraine's existing regulatory framework governing palliative and hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB and proposals about its improvement were sent to Prime-Minister of Ukraine M.Ya. Azarov, Health Minister of Ukraine I.M. Yemets, head of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health, people's deputy of Ukraine T.D. Bakhteyeva, the Finance Ministry of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, oblast state administrations and Kyiv and Sevastopol state administrations.

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2.1 Summary table

Objective	Activity	Planned Output	Output achieved	Target outcome	Outcome achieved so far (if any at this point)
Determination of the real state of hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage in Ukraine	Analysis of Ukraine's regulatory base governing hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage	Conclusion of the analytical research prepared	Conclusion of the analytical research prepared	Familiarisation with the regulatory support for hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage in Ukraine and determination of the need for its reformation	Proposals have been prepared about improving the regulatory base governing palliative and hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage
	Analytic research of the results of hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage in Ukraine's regions	Conclusion of the analytical research prepared	Conclusion of the analytical research prepared	Obtaining and generalisation of information about hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage in Ukraine and determination of the need for its reformation	Proposals have been prepared about improving the quality of palliative and hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage
Familiarisation with the procedure and quality of hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage using as an example the hospice department of Sevastopol TB Dispensary	Meetings with officials and doctors of Sevastopol TB Dispensary	2 meetings held; 5 TB dispensary representatives met	2 meetings held with 7 TB dispensary specialists and 1 meeting held with 5 oncological hospice specialists	- obtaining of information about the procedure for hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage, care provision amount (how much service has been provided in the last 2 years), financial and material support - a list of problematic issues and proposals about improving provision and access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	Information has been obtained about the procedure of hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage, care provision amount, financial and material support, a list of problematic issues. Information has been obtained about the procedure of palliative and hospice care provision at the oncological hospice. Proposals have been obtained about improving provision and access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care

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	Meetings with patients of Sevastopol TB Dispensary	2 meetings held; 15 TB dispensary patients met	2 meetings held with 17 TB dispensary patients, 1 meeting held with 3 oncological hospice patients	- obtaining of information about the quality of medical services provision - a list of problematic issues and proposals about improving provision and access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	Information has been obtained about the quality of medical services provision at the TB dispensary and the oncological hospice. Proposals have been obtained of TB dispensary patients about improving the quality of medical services provision.
	Meetings with officials of Sevastopol State Administration and Sevastopol City Council	4 meetings held; 6 government body officials met	2 meetings held with 4 government body officials	- obtaining of information about the present level of financial and material support for hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage and about the level of financial and material support planned for the next period - a list of problematic issues and proposals about improving access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	Information has been obtained about the results of the work of the city's government bodies to control the TB epidemic, including information about the level of financial and material support for hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage. Proposals have been obtained about improving hospice care provision at the regional and central levels.
	Meetings with representatives of non-governmental organisations dealing with TB control issues in the Sevastopol region	3 meetings held; 12 NGO representatives met	2 meetings held with 11 NGO representatives	- assessment by non-governmental organisations of the state and quality of hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage - a list of problematic issues and proposals about improving provision and access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	The state has been discussed with NGO representatives of hospice and palliative care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage. Directions have been examined of cooperation between non-governmental organisations and a TB service aimed at improving timely detection of people with TB.
Advocacy of improving access of	Meetings with representatives of	2 meetings held; 6 officials of the	3 meetings held with 4 officials	- the need and directions have been discussed of improving	An agreement has been reached about involvement of

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patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	the Government of Ukraine to discuss issues regarding improvement of the regulatory base in order to improve access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	Government of Ukraine met	of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine	the regulatory base in order to improve access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	specialists of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine in developing proposals about improving access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to palliative and hospice care
			9 meetings held with 5 officials of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, the Committee to Control HIV/AID and Other Socially Dangerous Diseases with the Ministry of Health of Ukraine and the State Service of Ukraine to Control HIV/AIDS and Other Socially Dangerous Diseases	- the need and directions discussed of improving the regulatory framework in order to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care	As a result of these meetings, an agreement has been reached on cooperation between 'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation and the Ministry of Health in improving the regulatory framework in the area of palliative and hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB; specialists of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine are involved in proposal preparation.
	Meetings with people's deputies of Ukraine to discuss issues regarding improvement of the regulatory base in order to improve access of patients	4 meetings held; 2 people's deputies of Ukraine met	2 meetings held with a people's deputy of Ukraine	- the need and directions have been discussed of improving Ukraine's legislation in order to improve access of patients with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care	An agreement has been reached about support for bringing proposals prepared about improving the regulatory base for palliative and hospice care provision for patients with TB in a terminal stage to a meeting of the Verkhovna

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	with TB in a terminal stage to hospice care		5 meetings held with 3 people's deputies of Ukraine	- the need and directions discussed of improving Ukraine's legislation in order to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care	Materials have been prepared on the situation with hospice and palliative care provision for patients with end-stage TB for a meeting of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health.
	Preparation and submission of proposals to Ukrainian government bodies about introducing amendments into regulatory documents regarding improvement of access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care	A number of proposals prepared and sent to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, oblast state administrations and Kyiv and Sevastopol State Administrations	Proposals sent to the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine, the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, the Ministry of Finance of Ukraine, the Cabinet of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, oblast state administrations and Kyiv and Sevastopol State Administrations	- examination by government bodies initiated of issues concerning improvement of access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care - examination initiated of the issue of reforming and improving the regulatory framework governing hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB	Instruction has been issued by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 12 January 2011 No. 77278/1/1-10 to the Ministry of Health of Ukraine to consider the proposals submitted by the Foundation in the said area.

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	<p>Holding of a roundtable involving all the stakeholders to discuss proposals about improving access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care</p>	<p>The roundtable involved 20 persons</p>	<p>The roundtable involved 12 persons, roundtable materials sent to 64 NGOs that are members of 'Stop TB Together' Coalition of Organisations and stakeholders</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- involvement in advocacy of improving access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care of a wide range of NGOs;- advocacy among government body representatives of issues concerning improvement of the regulatory framework governing hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB;- dissemination of information to the general public through mass media about problematic issues and ways to improve hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB and to improve access to it	<p>Involved in advocacy of improving access of patients with end-stage TB to hospice care are organisations that are members of 'Stop TB Together' Coalition of Organisations</p>
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2.2 For you, which are the most important expected and unexpected outcomes of the funded grant (different from 2.1)?

The most important outcome of the funded grant is active support on the part of Health Ministry officials in carrying out tasks to improve access of patients with end-stage TB to palliative and hospice care services, which shows that they understand the importance of this problem and the need for urgent and decisive steps to solve it.

2.3 Has your project encouraged community members to take action to solve a public health problem? Please, explain:

As a result of letters by 'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation regarding improvement of the regulatory framework in the area of palliative and hospice care provision for patients with end-stage TB, Instruction has been issued by the Cabinet of Ministers of Ukraine of 12 January 2011 No. 77278/1/1-10 to the Ministry of Health of Ukraine to consider the proposals submitted by the Foundation in the said area.

3. Some results

	Total number of persons:
Approximate number of beneficiaries covered directly:	61
Approximate number of beneficiaries covered using other means: (Materials developed during the project's implementation have been sent by mail and e-mail to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - the Cabinet of Ministers of the Autonomous Republic of Crimea, oblast state administrations and Kyiv and Sevastopol state administrations, departments of public health (54 addressees); - oblast TB dispensaries and phthisiological and pulmonological centres (27 addressees); - members of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health (13 addressees); - members of the National Council on TB and HIV/AIDS Control (29 addressees); - specialists and officials of F.G. Yanovsky National Institute of Phthisiology and Pulmonology with the Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine (17 addressees); - officials of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine and the Committee to Control HIV/AIDS and Other Socially Dangerous Diseases with the Ministry of Health of Ukraine (22 addressees); - members of 'Stop TB Together' Coalition of Organisations (58 addressees); - member organisations of the Advisory Board of the Verkhovna Rada Committee on Public Health (60 addressees); - member organisations of the Public Collegium with the Ministry of Health of Ukraine (49 addressees); - bilateral and multilateral international organisations and other stakeholders (30 addressees). 	350

4. Have you found a way to go on with the activities you launched using the grant? Please, describe it:

Since the issues raised during the project's implementation concern reformation of the legislation and regulatory framework, which is a lengthy process, the issue of advocacy of the proposals developed has been included in the current plans of 'Ukrainians Against TB' Public Movement Foundation for 2011.

Also, the analysis carried out during the project's implementation has shown that almost all of the currently functioning hospices for patients with TB were opened at the expense of sponsor and donor funds. The Foundation has started work to find donor organisations that could finance part of the costs of the creation of a network of hospices for patients with end-stage TB in all of Ukraine's regions.