

Scottish Government International Development Programme

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International Development Fund

The primary aim of our £10million per year International Development Fund is to support and empower our partner countries: Malawi, Rwanda, Zambia, and Pakistan. It is made up of three funding streams.

Development Assistance:

Development assistance is the first and largest funding stream and includes our Malawi, Rwanda, Zambia and Pakistan Development Programmes, as well as our Small Grants Programme.

Capacity Strengthening: provides funding to a number of partnered institutions from Scotland and our partner countries. Increasingly too, we are working across other Scottish Government Ministerial portfolios for international development outcomes which contribute to our overall capacity building work, working towards our commitment on the Beyond Aid agenda.

Investment Stream: commercial investment initiatives, including the Malawi Investment Initiative



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Malawi Development Programme 2018-23

Health Projects:

- **St John Scotland - Community action and service access for maternal, newborn and child health project**

The project aims to improve maternal, newborn and child health by increasing health behaviours and the use of critical health services, and by removing barriers to the provision of Malawi's Essential Health Package (EHP).

Total Funding £457,591

- **NHS Tayside - Scottish Emergency Medicine – Malawi Project**

To develop fit for purpose and sustainable Emergency and Trauma Units at all Central Hospitals in Malawi – replicating the significant improvement to delivery of essential Emergency care as experienced at Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital Blantyre (the pilot for this project), with the aim of delivering in Malawi, for the first time, a National Emergency and Trauma network.

Total funding: £1,007,504

- **University of Edinburgh - Moving towards sustainability: strengthening rural health facilities, upskilling providers and developing mentoring capacity to support roll-out of cervical cancer 'Screen and treat' services across Malawi.**

The project will build on the prior collaborative and successful partnership working between Malawi and Scotland in delivery of same day cervical cancer 'screen and treat' programmes, and seeks to support rollout of that work in Northern, Central and Southern Regions, based on developing effective mentoring tools, strengthening health professional skills within Malawi, and extending services to rural health facilities.

Total funding: £1,288,378

- **University of Glasgow - Towards a Dental School for Malawi – The Maldent Project**

To establish an undergraduate dental degree (BDS) programme within the Faculty of Medicine, College of Medicine, University of Malawi, which will train Malawian dentists who are 'globally competent and locally relevant' and will be able to provide support for the delivery of a national health programme.

Total Funding: £1,312,424

- **WaterAid - Deliver life to mothers, girls and children in the southern region of Malawi**

To improve the health of mothers, girls and children in rural and peri-urban low income areas of Machinga and Zomba by facilitating access to safe water, improved sanitation and good hygiene in health care facilities, early childhood development centres and communities.

Total funding: £1,012,500

Capacity Building Projects

Malawian College of Medicine: Governance Initiative

Scottish Government funding has had a long-term partnership with the College of Medicine, Blantyre, Malawi since 2005, College was named in our original 2005 Cooperation Agreement with the Government of Malawi. The College of Medicine will shortly become a fully independent university. The University of Glasgow, which already has successful partnerships in place with the College, has agreed to establish a formal mentoring and support link to assist them with this new phase in their development. To help fund this, we will invest £200,000 over the next two years to support this Malawi Governance initiative.

Blantyre Blantyre Clinical Research – University of Glasgow & College of Medicine Malawi

We are providing the University of Glasgow with £1 million over five years, which will be match funded, to fund a collaborative clinical research project with the College of Medicine in Blantyre, Malawi, and the Malawi Liverpool Wellcome Trust. The project will set up three fully-equipped laboratories at the College of Medicine in Blantyre, enabling scientists there to conduct research into increasingly prevalent non-communicable diseases in Malawi.

Scotland Malawi Mental Health Education Project

We are providing up to £300,000 over four years to the Scotland Malawi Mental Health Education Project (SMMHEP) to deliver the Scotland Malawi Psychiatry Capacity Development Project. This project aims to address the chronic lack of mental healthcare provision in Malawi.

Livingstone Fellowships – RCSPG

The Livingstone Fellowship Scheme, provided through the Academy of Medical Royal Colleges and Faculties in Scotland, is enabling five experienced doctors from Zambia and Malawi to spend a year in Scotland receiving further training which they will then take back home to the benefit of their communities. It will also provide funding for up to a further eight doctors from both countries to receive the smaller fellowship grants.