

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Country: Cooperative Republic of Guyana

Project Name: Support to Improve Maternal and Child Health

Sector: Health

Loan No. 3779/BL-GY

Project No. GY-L1058

The *Cooperative Republic of Guyana* has received financing in the amount equivalent to US\$8,000,000 from the *Inter-American Development Bank (IDB)*, and intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for goods, works, related services and consulting services to be procured under the project: *Support to Improve Maternal and Child Health*. Bidding will be governed by the Inter-American Development Bank's eligibility rules and procedures.

The main objective of this project is to contribute to the reduction of maternal, perinatal, and neonatal deaths in Guyana. To meet this objective, the project is divided into three components as follows:

- **Component 1.** Strengthening reproductive, maternal, and neonatal health services
 - Sub-component 1.1. Access and use of reproductive, maternal, and neonatal health services.

This component will finance: (i) strengthening of the community platform and the primary level of care for service delivery in regions 3, 4, and 9; (ii) procurement of equipment/supplies; (iii) strengthening of the maternity waiting home strategy, including the development of individual and community plans to support women and newborns to access facilities in Region 9; and (iv) design and implementation of behavior change communication strategies, including messages targeted at adolescents, men, and indigenous people

- Sub-component 1.2. Quality of reproductive, maternal, and neonatal health services.

This component will finance: (i) design and implementation of a QIS in hospitals of regions 3, 4, and 9, including the improvement of clinical and management practices and the promotion of patient-centered and culturally-appropriate care; (ii) revision and update of guidelines, protocols, and strategies; (iii) improvements in the supply chain for contraceptive methods, drugs, and blood products, including procurement of equipment; (iv) improvements in health information; and (v) development of skills in the workforce of regions 3, 4, and 9 related to reproductive, maternal, and neonatal health

- **Component 2.** Strengthening the healthcare network.

This component will finance: (i) assessment and reorganization of Guyana's healthcare and referral networks, including the revision and adjustment of the portfolio of services and the roles of different cadres of health workers; (ii) infrastructure improvements to C.C. Nicholson Hospital; (iii) procurement of equipment for health facilities, including GPHC, C.C. Nicholson Hospital, and the Georgetown maternity waiting home; and (iv) ambulances and communication system (radios for health facilities and ambulances) for regions 3, 4, and 9.

- **Component 3.** Administration and evaluation

This component will finance project administration and evaluation activities, including ancillary expenses and strengthening the capacity of the Maternal and Child Health (MCH) Unit of the MoPH, which will assume overall responsibility for project implementation.

Procurement processes of contracts financed by the Inter-American Development Bank will be conducted in accordance with the [*Policies for Procurement of Goods and Works financed by the Inter-American Development Bank \(GN-2349-9\)*](#) and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the policies. Consulting services will be selected and contracted in accordance with the [*Policies for the Selection and Contracting of Consultants financed by the Inter-American Development Bank \[GN-2350-9\]*](#).

Specific procurement notices for contracts to be bid under the Inter-American Development Bank's international competitive bidding (ICB) procedures, will be published as they become available. For consulting services expected to cost an amount equivalent to US\$200.000 or more, a request for expressions of interest contracts will be advertised in [*UN Development Business*](#)¹ and [*Inter-American Development Bank's*](#) Web Site [*and local newspapers*](#).

Interested eligible bidders and consultants who wish to be included on the mailing list to receive invitations to prequalify/bid under ICB procedures, and interested consultants who wish to receive a copy of advertisement requesting expressions of interest for consultancy contracts, or those requiring additional information, should contact the address below:

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