

STRENGTHENING HEALTH CARE IN SEKONG PROVINCE-PHASE III

Ensure healthy living and promote wellness for everyone at all ages.

Project Duration

2021-2023

Beneficiaries

Directs: 200 medical staff,
40 administrative staff

The population of the 12
target villages

Indirects: the population of
the province

Local Partners

Ministry of Health,

Health Provincial
Department,

Provincial and districts
hospitals,

12 villages

Financial Partners

Swiss Cooperation

Department, Fedevaco,

Entrust Foundation,

Solidarité Avec le Monde



Alongside Lao People



Why this project

Despite significant economic growth at the national level, which has enabled Laos to reduce extreme poverty by 30% in 10 years, the situation remains difficult in rural provinces, far from the capital, such as Sekong province. Public health issues are still very pronounced in this province. After several years of support to the province's medical system, which has significantly improved the quality of care due to the training of doctors and nurses and the provision of medical equipment, the SFE continues its support for the mother and child program, which remains a national priority, and for medical training in the field of infectious diseases. New sectors are being deployed such as adolescent health, chronic diseases with patient management and rehabilitation, management of healthcare-associated infections, and care for people with disabilities. A primary health component is integrated into the project with the construction of latrines and the supply of drinking water in the target villages to improve hygiene conditions. This project focuses on training medical staff at the hospital and health center levels up to village health volunteers and villagers during health awareness sessions.



Some activities

- Train medical staff in antenatal, postnatal, emergency delivery, and essential care for newborns and premature infants.
- Train and monitor a multidisciplinary team for the treatment of non-communicable diseases and create a dedicated consultation room.
- Train a team responsible for the prevention of nosocomial infections and set up a model department.
- Train medical staff in the care of people with disabilities and improve access to health services for people with disabilities.
- Health awareness sessions in the villages with promotion of family planning for adolescents.
- Training of villagers in the construction of latrines and water supply systems.

Objectives



Reproductive, maternal, neonatal, child and adolescent health services are improved in the 4 hospitals of Sekong province.



Knowledge and capacity to manage communicable and non-communicable diseases is improved in the 4 hospitals.



Improving the infection control system and materials management.



People with disabilities have better access to health services.



Villagers show best practices in primary health, water, sanitation and hygiene.



PROJECT AMOUNT: 515 552 \$

Sustainability

The trainings engage the participants to practice their new knowledge and to share their competences with other learners, establishing a transmission of knowledge.