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## Acronyms and Abbreviations

BDS:	Birth Defects Surveillance
BPA:	Blanket Purchase Agreement
BREC:	Blue Ribbon Employment Council
CDC:	Centers for Disease Control and Prevention
CDM:	Camp Dresser McKee
CRS:	Catholic Relief Services
CWD:	Children with Disabilities
DAI:	Development Alternatives Inc.
DOET:	Department of Education and Training
DOFA:	Department of Foreign Affairs
DOH:	Department of Health
DOLISA:	Department of Labor, Invalids, and Social Affairs
DPI:	Department of Planning and Investment
DPO:	Disabled People's Organization
DSC:	Disability Steering Committee
DSP:	Disability Support Program
DUMTP:	Danang University of Medical Technology and Pharmacy
ERF:	Environmental Review Form
ERR:	Environmental Review Report
EMMP:	Environmental Mitigation and Monitoring Plan
F&A:	Finance and Administration
FOG:	Fixed Obligation Grant
HWC:	Hospital for Women and Children
IE:	Inclusive Education
IEC:	Information/Education/Communication
ILO:	International Labor Organization
IR:	Intermediate Result
M&E:	Monitoring and Evaluation
MOLISA:	Ministry of Labor, Invalids, and Social Affairs
MOU:	Memorandum of Understanding
NBS:	Newborn Screening
OPFP:	Office of Population and Family Planning
PWD:	Persons with Disabilities
PC:	People's Committee
PCC:	Pre-conception Care
PDSP:	Persons with Disabilities Support Program
SE:	Special Education
TA:	Technical Assistance
TOT:	Training of Trainers
ULSA:	University of Labor and Social Affairs
VNAH:	Vietnam Assistance to the Handicapped
VPHA:	Vietnam Public Health Association

# I. PDSP EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

## QUANTITATIVE IMPACT

A total of 832 new persons with disabilities received assistance and 999 disability-related service providers received training by PDSP during this quarter. Details by province are included in section III of the report.

## QUALITATIVE IMPACT

### Danang

A highlight of PDSP's support of social work (IRI) was the issuance of Referral Guidance by Danang People's Committee through the Decision no. 2447/QĐ-UBND, dated April 22 2015, regulating the referral process and responsibilities of concerned stakeholders. This new policy has contributed to the successful referral of 216 beneficiaries to needed support. It is also a key factor for sustainability of the case management system in Danang.

PDSP's successful roll-out of the Disability Information System (DIS) continued. PDSP coordinated with IVWD, another project funded by USAID, to launch the DIS in Binh Phuoc, Tay Ninh and Thai Binh and expand it to the rest of Binh Dinh. At present, the DIS in Danang has 152,081 cases (9 new cases entered in this quarter); Dong Nai 10,778 cases (242 new cases this quarter); Binh Dinh 29,439 (24,476 new cases this quarter); Thai Binh 8,786 (3,724 new cases this quarter); Quang Nam 10,258 (6,036 new cases this quarter); Tay Ninh 443 cases (all entered this quarter); and Binh Phuoc 253 (all entered this quarter).

Under IR2 (specialized services), highlights included the newly developed OT and ST curriculum approved for teaching by Danang University of Medical Technology and Pharmacy (DUMTP). As a part of PDSP capacity building for DUMTP, two general physicians completed a nine-month course on rehabilitation at Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy and six lecturers completed a four-month course on speech therapy at the Pediatrics Hospital in HCMC.

Working with DOET, a course of training was provided to teachers on M&E of inclusive education and progress assessment for intellectual development. An Operations Manual for Resource Rooms is being developed in collaboration with MOET's Institute of Educational Sciences. Moreover, 215 children with disabilities continued to benefit from educational support provided by PDSP.

Under IR 3 (public health), this was the last quarter for implementation of the grants for NBS, PCC, and BDS. Most activities have been completed and met the targets. Local implementing partners, however, will continue to provide services and report to PDSP until the project's end.

In regard to NBS, the number of mothers receiving counseling significantly increased, leading to an increase in number of babies screened. The on-line software linking the HWC with two pilot district health centers was fully operational. At the End-Of-Project workshop, Danang DOH highly appreciated PDSP support and considered NBS success the foundation for Danang to expand NBS work in the future.

PCC services increased 56% in Danang and 300% in Dong Nai, compared with the previous quarter. Our site visits confirmed that midwives have provided good counseling and

information to clients. This helped commune health centers attract more clients, thereby reduced overload at higher level facilities. Sign language and subtitles were incorporated in the 10 educational videos to serve people with hearing impairments and general public. Danang DOH director has also confirmed their intention to sustain this model.

The pilot BDS program succeeded in achieving both its objectives—establishing and operating a BD information system and referring birth defects to treatment. An independent assessment conducted in June found that the pilot system had been effectively established, that there had been an increase in case reporting thanks to training for physicians, nurses, and midwives leading to increased detection and diagnosis, and that effective referral within the case management system was occurring in Cam Le District. It recommended improvements in the data collection forms, cleaning and coding of data, and software used for analysis. At the End-of-Project workshop conducted in early July, DOH confirmed its intention to sustain the BDS after the project ended, but expressed concern about its capacity to expand it to the whole city.

### **Dong Nai**

By the end of the quarter, the case management process had resulted in 1,000 beneficiaries in the system starting to receive direct assistance and support. Delivery of direct assistance was through local partners: DOLISA of Bien Hoa City and Vinh Cuu District, Disabled Children School, Disabled Children and Orphans Center, Song Pho Applied Psychology Center, Blind Association, DONAVA, Employment Services Center, and Farmers Association.

### **Binh Dinh**

DOH achieved a major success by completing data collection and data entry into the DIS for 24,365 persons within the quarter. The DOH later used data in the DIS to develop its provincial action plan on rehabilitation. Under direct assistance, physical therapy services expanded to all 33 communes of the 2 districts, serving 303 persons on a regular basis, and several hundred people received livelihood support. Three IE resource rooms were established and equipped and teachers were trained to run the resource room services. A number of local NGOs received sub-grants to provide direct assistance, including Phu Cat Education Promotion Association and Hoai An Farmers Union to provide livestock for 215 CM beneficiaries, and the Blind Association and Nguyen Nga Center to provide IT training, art performance and vocational training, and livelihood development.

### **Quang Nam**

Work on the DIS in Quang Nam also was a highlight, with data collection completed in all 18 districts for 60,000 persons with disabilities. Clinical examinations for assistive devices were also completed, but only for 4 districts, due to limited resources at PDSP. Even in these 4 districts, the project could provide only about 70% of the needs. Many activities were implemented under sub-grants: vocational training by the Blind Association, livelihood assistance by provincial DPO, training in health care and CM for service providers by War Legacy Project (WLP), advocacy and legal assistance training and counseling events by Action to the Community Development Center (ACDC), direct assistance to children with disabilities by Children of Vietnam (COV), as well as special education interventions by Paddy's Center and Kianh Center. As a result, several hundred beneficiaries received direct assistance during this quarter.

## **Tay Ninh**

The DIS was initiated in this province in collaboration with the IVWD project as well as MOLISA and MOH. Four trainings on data collections were organized for CBR workers who then began data collection for a first batch of 26,000 persons with disabilities. They have also started data entry into the DIS. In addition, a training workshop on disability policies was carried out in cooperation with the above entities. PDSP engaged in sub-grants with the School for the Blind and the Association to Support the Disabled and Orphans, to provide educational support/interventions for children with autism/learning difficulties and livelihood development for adults with disabilities.

## **Binh Phuoc / Thai Binh / Thua-Thien Hue**

Trainings on data collection and DIS operation were organized in Thai Binh and Binh Phuoc, in collaboration with MOLISA and the IVWD program. DOLISA community workers in the two provinces began data collection immediately after the training. After a long consideration and process, the Binh Phuoc People's Committee issued approval for a sub-grant with the Binh Phuoc Association for the Disabled, Orphans and Poor to provide livelihood assistance for beneficiaries. The Social Work Service Centers in these provinces coordinated with its community workers, who have received training in case management by PDSP, to select and open cases and manage direct support for 40-60 persons in each province. In Hue, work continued under the small grants PDSP has issued to VietHealth, the Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities at Hue University, and the Hue DPO.

## **SMALL GRANTS AND OTHER MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

- PDSP management began making monitoring visits to the 9 small grants the project awarded following its competitive call for proposals last December. Progress under these grants is reported in Annex IV.
- Following approval by USAID, PDSP issued new subgrants to DOLISA and DOET for their major activities in Danang.
- PDSP issued a subcontract to East Meets West to manage home improvements in Danang.
- The project also issued a number of other new subgrants, including an in-kind grant to DOLISA in Danang for equipping a new center for mentally disabled; in-kind grants to DOET in Danang and Binh Dinh for additional inclusive education resource rooms; and grants to non-government organizations to manage livestock and other livelihood development activities, as well as corrective surgeries, in Dong Nai and Binh Dinh.
- The project submitted a revised request and received approval from USAID for a 4-month no-cost extension, through January, 2016.

## **NEXT QUARTER'S WORK PLAN**

### **Danang**

- Advanced training on supervisory skills, case management skills, CM circular and referral regulations.
- Review and consolidation of advanced training programs with CM master trainers (to serve upcoming training).
- Focus groups and consultative workshops for sustainability plan and circular 07 (social workers deployment) plan.
- Updating DIS.
- Complete provision of livestock and the remaining direct assistance (assistive devices, educational supports, employment and livelihood).

- Public health: Complete assessment reports, end of project reports and workshops for all public health components in both Danang and Dong Nai.

### **Dong Nai**

- Advanced training in case management (CM) skills, CM circular and referral regulations; hotline operation for social work service center; and training in livestock raising and environmental compliance.
- Provision of direct assistance to CM beneficiaries, including livestock, assistive devices, educational support/interventions, vocational training, and livelihood development.
- Expansion of DIS in 3 additional districts.

### **Binh Dinh**

- Provision of direct assistance for beneficiaries of CM system: livestock, rehabilitation services, assistive devices, livelihood assistance, vocational training and inclusive education services through the 3 resource rooms.
- Advanced training on CM Circular and referral skills, disability action plan, and training on livestock raising and environmental compliance.

### **Quang Nam**

- Continue DIS data entry.
- Complete delivery of assistive devices.
- Training on disability policies, hotline operation and (study tour) case management for staff of social work service center/social protection centers.
- Wrapping up/closing out all sub-grants.

### **Tay Ninh**

- Continue data collection and data entry for DIS.
- Disability policy training.
- Complete delivery of livestock, assistive devices, scholarships and educational supports and equipment procurement for School for the Blind.

### **Thai Binh / Binh Phuoc / Thua-Thien Hue**

- Continue data collection and data entry into DIS in both provinces.
- Complete delivery of services for PWDs selected for case management models.
- Initiate sub-grant with Binh Phuoc Association for Disabled, Orphans and Poor.
- Complete sub-grants with Disabled Youth Club, Vietnam Blind Association, Hue DPO, and others.

### **Small Grants and other Management Activities**

- Continue monitoring of small grants
- Begin close-out of grants and other activities, including disposition of equipment

## **II. KEY ACHIEVEMENTS (Qualitative Impact)**

### **Main activities and accomplishments during the quarter**

#### **DANANG**

##### **IR1**

- Referral continued to take place, resulting in services for 216 beneficiaries.
- Cross-agency referral guidelines completed and approved by Danang People's Committee in April 22, 2015.
- DOLISA issued memo No. 1207/SLĐT BXH-BTXH dated on May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015 requesting local authorities to continue opening new cases for CM system. As a result, 343 new PWDs have cases opened.
- CM Supervisors and related GoV staff from all province sites (44 persons, from Danang, Binh Dinh, Dong Nai, Thai Binh, Tay Ninh, Binh Phuoc) gathered for a 3-day training workshop on advanced supervisory skills. They also had a chance to discuss results and challenges in supervision. Trainers and moderator were ULSA and PDSP staff.
- Hotline for counseling services became fully operational at Danang Social Work Service Center, with 31 children receiving interventions and vocational training support. The center also organized 12 community talks on disability policies, attracting attendance of around 600 caregivers.
- Bi-monthly meetings maintained for case managers, supervisors, and district/city authorities to review ISPs, case management progress, and referrals.

##### **IR2**

- Through PDSP support, new curricula for ST and OT were developed and approved by DUMTP; several lecturers completed certificate professional training (2 completed a nine-month course on rehabilitation and 6 completed a four-month course on speech therapy at Universities in Hue and HCMC). In addition, PDSP's Australian OT and ST specialists continued on-site hands-on training for lecturers of DUMTP and practitioners in Danang.
- PDSP continued support for the Autistic Children's Parents Association, which recently opened a center for interventions for their children. Training on "Enhancing Communication and Using Visual Supports for Children with Autism" was supported during this quarter, delivered by an Australian ST expert for 40 parents.
- Progress continued toward establishment of a pilot social work service model in hospitals. PDSP supported 6 health staff from Danang Rehabilitation Hospital and Danang Orthopedics-Rehabilitation Hospital to attend training at Cho Ray Hospital and People's Hospital 115 in Ho Chi Minh City. PDSP also engaged a consultant who has relevant training in the U.S. to provide technical support for this model.
- Rehabilitation tools/equipment were provided to DOLISA's Mental Health Center to establish the new rehabilitation unit. PDSP also supported DOLISA to develop a process for respite care and rehabilitation for people with mental health disorders. There is currently no such process being effectively implemented in Vietnam.
- A series of capacity building trainings for the education sector took place during this quarter. 144 teachers were trained on M&E for Inclusive Education; 36 kindergarten teachers trained on intellectual development progress assessment; and 200 parents trained on knowledge and skills to support the children. PDSP also helped DOET develop an M&E tool kit with 12 indicators and 8 forms, and a Resource Room Operations Manual.

- Other activities included support for 400 children to attend Disability Day events, and printing and distribution of 24,000 leaflets for awareness raising and education purposes.
- In terms of employment and livelihood support, project staff worked with CM to conduct compliance checks on 102 PWD families who will receive livestock, after they have attended training on the subject. PDSP provided support to Hoa Vang DPO for its management strengthening and employment for 8 members, to DAVA for continued sewing training for 15 PWD, and to the Employment Service Center for helping 7 PWDs obtain new jobs.

### **IR3**

- The final three training courses on birth defects identification/diagnosis were completed, with 57 midwives/nurses from the 5 remaining districts attending.
- Cam Le health successfully managed the cases of four babies identified with birth defects; as a result, two received corrective surgery for cleft lips, one received corrective treatment for club foot, and one was re-diagnosed for club foot.
- An independent consultant conducted a final assessment for the BDS pilot program. Some preliminary results are including in the Monitoring section below. The final report will be available in mid-September.
- After a NBS management software was developed, 20 staff at DHWC and districts were trained. PDSP also supported the HWC to develop an easy-to-understand NBS leaflet to further reach women and family members. It was the first time they had produced a leaflet for their clients.
- The last three PCC courses were conducted for 45 midwives working at city, district and commune level (Danang HWC, Danang Reproductive Health Care Center, Hai Chau and Cam Le District Health Centers and their 19 commune Health Stations). Additionally, the trained supervision team conducted 10 supervision trips to coach 58 PCC staff working at district and commune level. During this quarter, there were 753 women who received PCC exam and counseling, a 78% increase compared to previous quarter.

#### **PDSP-supported activities on Vietnam Disability Day**

PDSP supported numerous activities across several provinces in observance of Vietnam Disability Day on April 18, which reached 1,500 adults and children with disabilities. In Danang, two district DPOs (Thanh Khe and Hoa Vang) which PDSP helped establish, held special cultural and musical performances to raise awareness about social inclusion, gender equality and gender-based violence for persons with disabilities. PDSP developed educational materials about these gender issues for the events.

PDSP also sponsored events in Danang at Hoang Du Khuong Primary School in Cam Le District and Tran Van On Primary School in Hai Chau District. The events involved plays, music, and games integrating disabled and non-disabled children, and educational materials were distributed that promote inclusion and the rights of children with disabilities.

PDSP organized a food fair with the Center for Disabled Children of Dong Nai province for an estimated 180 CWD and distributed hearing aids for 50 hearing impaired. In Binh Dinh province, the project hosted musical events in two districts with groups of persons with disabilities that the project works with. PDSP also supported the Hue DPO to organize a musical event on the day.

## **DONG NAI**

- The CMs focused on direct assistance during this quarter: preparing plans for direct assistance delivery for several hundred beneficiaries under CM; conducting hearing exams for 52 persons; preparing subgrants with local organizations for livestock assistance; planning with service providers for respite care and early interventions for children with autism/developmental disabilities; organizing a cooking/food fair at Disabled Children Center as part of the school-to-work program (in which 181 children and their families participated).
- Monthly case management meetings (8) and quarterly provincial management meeting (1) were organized with representatives of PDSP staff.
- 6 supervisors from Dong Nai partners also attended the 3-day supervisory training mentioned above.
- 14 PCC supervision trips were conducted by trainers and supervisors to observe and coach 22 staff at RHC Center, Provincial Hospital, Bien Hoa Health Center, and 5 Commune Health Stations. The total number of clients visited/used PCC services increased from 157 in the previous quarter to 541 people in this quarter (over 300% increase).

### **PCC in Dong Nai: Innovative ways in Reaching More Clients at the Commune Level**

The PCC activity in Dong Nai continued to function well at all levels, especially at the commune level. The number of clients visiting PCC services has significantly increased (from 49 clients in previous quarter to 398 clients in this quarter). In order to gain this impressive result, Dong Nai project managers have been innovative in finding ways to attract more clients. They made contacts with the local Marriage Certificate Issue Office, which would request young couples to visit a Commune Health Center to get PCC counseling and/or exam before getting a Marriage Certificate. To better raise awareness, the trained community counselors have integrated PCC information into the Pre-Marriage classes regularly organized by the Catholic Church. As it is more challenging to reach employees of larger businesses, local health staff used personal relations and persuasion skills to organize talks/programs that would be appealing to busy workers.

## **BINH DINH**

- Capacity building training continued during the quarter: a 3-day training on inclusive education skills for 34 school teachers and education officials involved in resource room activities; on-the-job training in physical therapy for 72 community health workers; DIS and data collection training for 178 commune/district health managers, who later collected and entered 24,365 cases of PWD throughout the province into the DIS.
- The Center for Consultancy-Detection-Intervention for CWD of Quy Nhon University continued early detection and early interventions for many CWD.
- Binh Dinh Association for Support of the Handicapped and Orphans provided training on project management and leadership skills to 26 PWD, job creation to 10 PWD, livelihood development for 20 PWD, and vocational training for 30 PWD.
- The Binh Dinh Blind Association was supported with 5 laptops for IT training. A first batch of 10 blind persons has received training in using a computer.
- Nguyen Nga Disability Association was supported to provide vocational training and business establishment for 21 PWD.

- Other major activities included support for 96 PWD to attend a social/educational event on National Disability Day.

## **QUANG NAM**

- Excellent progress made on the DIS this quarter: 239 DOLISA staff province-wide received training on data collection and DIS entry. As a result, 60,000 PWD in all 18 districts of Quang Nam were surveyed. A mid-term workshop was held to review the progress of data collection and DIS, attended by 194 DOLISA staff.
- As part of PDSP capacity building for local DPOs, the provincial DPO has started distribution of support to its selected members for livelihood improvements, after they received training in small business startup. PDSP also provided computers, printers, working tables and chairs to two newly established DPOs of Nui Thanh district and Tam Ky city.
- PDSP sub-grantees conducted many activities during this quarter: War Legacy Project, delivered free health check for PWD in Thang Binh district and training for 42 service providers on basic case management and provision of home-based care to PWD; ACDC conducted trainings on policy advocacy skills and legal assistance skills for 71 DOLISA staff and DPO leaders and PWD in Dien Ban and Dai Loc districts; COV started services for CWD in Tam Xuan I commune, Nui Thanh district.

## **TAY NINH**

- PDSP worked with IVWD and MOLISA to provide disability policy training to 40 government employees at provincial and district level.
- DIS also rolled out here, with 413 local health staff trained on PWD data collection and needs assessment, and 104 districts and commune health staff trained on the DIS and data entry.
- Sub-grants to local NGOs were established and operationalized this quarter, resulting in environment impact assessment conducted for 25 PWD before livestock delivery, and support provided to 20 children with developmental, cognitive disabilities at the School for the Blind.

## **THAI BINH / BINH PHUOC / THUA-THIEN HUE**

- The Social Work Service Centers of Thai Binh and Binh Phuoc were supported to set up telephone advisory hotlines for counseling and emergency intervention. They also adopted the PDSP case management approach, sending 67 staff to CM training and starting needs assessment and case opening for over 40 persons. MOLISA/NCCD has pledged co-funding for direct assistance to PWD under this CM system.
- Sub-grants initiated for Disabled Youth Club of Thai Binh for organizational development and economic improvement for its members, and for Binh Phuoc Association for Orphans, PWD, and Poor Patients for livelihood development.
- Training in DIS and data collection provided for 85 service providers in Thai Binh. Thai Binh has completed data collection and data entry of 8,000 persons as of the end of June.
- In Hue progress continued under PDSP subgrants to VietHealth, Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities at Hue University, and Hue DPO.

## **SMALL GRANTS AND OTHER MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

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## SUCSESSES AND LESSONS LEARNED

**Expansion of DIS.** The Disability Information System (DIS) has been one of PDSP's most popular and adaptable products. PDSP coordinated with IVWD, another project funded by USAID, to launch the DIS in Binh Phuoc, Tay Ninh and Thai Binh and expand it to the rest of Binh Dinh. At present, the DIS in Danang has 152,081 cases; Dong Nai, 10,778; Binh Dinh, 29,439; Thai Binh, 8,786; Quang Nam, 10,258; Tay Ninh, 443; and Binh Phuoc, 253. The Ministry of Health has adapted the DIS for use in several locations. In Quang Nam, the DPO has worked with DOLISA in rolling out the DIS. The Vietnam Blind Association has expressed its interest in adapting the DIS for its use nationally.

**Policy support for case management.** On April 22, the Danang People's Committee issued Decision no. 2447/QĐ-UBND, dated April 22 2015, regulating the referral process and responsibilities of concerned stakeholders. This new formal policy has contributed to the successful referral of 216 beneficiaries to needed support. It is also a key factor for sustainability of the case management system in Danang.

**Sustainability of BDS.** At the End-of-Project workshop conducted in early July, the DOH Vice Director was impressed by project achievements, especially the BD information system and referral of babies for treatment. He confirmed their intention to sustain the BDS, with consideration of two options: either keeping the two piloted districts and adding additional diseases for surveillance (congenital heart diseases and ectopic testis), or keeping the same six BDs but expanding the surveillance and referral work to the remaining five districts. The DOH technical team will develop a plan for next steps. Without continued USAID or other external support, however, the sustainability would be challenging as DOH needs technical and financial assistance for the information system and referral. These include support for on-going data collection, data quality assurance and reporting, and policy reform. The PDSP team will provide technical support for developing a sustainability plan to be included in the overall Danang sustainability plan being drafted jointly by DOLISA, DOH, and DOET. Hopefully Danang Government will support the continuation of BDS work through this plan.

**Sustainability of NBS.** Thanks to PDSP support, a well-functioning NBS center capable in data collection and management, with software linking with the districts, will help the HWC sustain NBS services in a systematic way. The impacts of PDSP support include not only a significant increase in the number of babies screened for 5 diseases (Congenital Heart Disease, Hearing Loss, Congenital Hypothyroidism, G6PD inadequacy, and Adrenal Hyperplasia), but also making treatment services available so that affected babies no longer need to be transferred to Hanoi or HCMC. At the End-of-Project workshop, the partners

(HWC and OPFP) have acknowledged the project results and considered them as a firm foundation for Danang to build on for expanding NBS work in the future. HWC management confirmed to strengthen the model, with a focus on service quality assurance by developing and applying quality indicators for NBS services, strengthening the on-line software, and expanding the number of diseases for newborn screening. OPFP management confirmed to sustain raising awareness for NBS and PCC by integrating these into the Youth Union routine program, which is funded by local government.

**Sustainability of PCC.** A system for PCC service delivery has been established and is well-functioning. Through outreach, more people including young couples realized the importance of PCC and sought PCC services at 23 health facilities. The plan for Reproductive Health Care (RHC) for 2015 approved by the Director of the Danang Reproductive Health Care Center (DRHCC) includes a PCC component, which will be expanded throughout Danang. At the End-of-Project workshop in June, the Director of Danang Health Information and Education Center (DHIEC) confirmed to integrate PCC information and education activities into their routine annual program for health information and education, to ensure sustainability. DOH Director also confirmed the plan for PCC sustainability and assigned the management of the two agencies to be responsible for sustainability planning and execution after PDSP ends.

In Dong Nai, the DOH now has in hand a system for PCC service provision and toolkits for training and supervision for service quality. With strong DOH leadership plus high commitment and technical capacity of trained staff, especially at the 5 commune health stations around the airport, we believe PCC work would be sustainable. However, we would propose the Dong Nai Reproductive Health Care Center to focus on strengthening supervision by improving Supportive Supervision skills and planning, as well as coordination to ensure PCC service quality throughout the system.

### **III. PROGRAM PROGRESS (Quantitative Impact)**

#### **DANANG**

##### **IR 1**

- 192 beneficiaries of CM received direct assistance through CM system.
- 24 beneficiaries received social welfare support as result of referral.
- Collaboration with Social Work Service Center resulted in support for 26 CWD, of which 23 received home-based and center-based intervention services. The center also organized 12 community talks which attracted 600 caregivers.
- 9 lecturers (CM master trainers) participated in a training/workshop to review and re-consolidate training materials for upcoming CM training.

##### **IR 2**

- 696 persons received rehabilitation services (55 prosthetics and orthotics; 48 speech therapy; 40 physical therapy; 6 corrective surgery; 547 clinical examination). In addition, 27 caregivers received consultancy at ST unit of Danang UMTP.
- 90 students at DAVA received final educational evaluation.
- 140 CWD supported with stipends for meals and tuition fees.
- 75 CWD supported with individual lessons at resource rooms.
- 15 PWD attended sewing vocational training at DAVA, of whom 2 PWD reintegrated into the community and got their own jobs.
- 15 PWD continued their sewing vocational training at Tam Thien Sewing Co.

- 34 PWD supported by Association for Support of Danang Handicapped and Orphans (ASDHO) including 22 for vocational training and 12 for self-employment.
- 7 PWD introduced and received jobs through PDSP support of Employment Service Center.

### **IR 3**

- 6 babies born with BDs identified; among them, 3 had cleft lip with cleft palate, 1 had cleft lip, and 2 had club foot.
- 2,372 mothers received counseling; of those 1,899 mothers (80%) got their babies screened for G6PD, CH, AH. The number of babies screened has increased 25% compared with the previous quarter.
- 325 babies received hearing loss screening, 849 received heart disease screening, 48 received diagnosis and treatment/follow up for hormonal and metabolic diseases, and 322 received heart ultrasound diagnosis.
- 1,072 young people received NBS and PCC information through 44 Pre-marriage Club counseling sessions.
- PCC served 753 women in need at HWC, RHCC, Hai Chau and Cam Le hospitals, and 19 commune health stations (a 78% increase compared with the previous quarter).
- 2,411 women of reproductive age participated in 47 PCC community group talks.

### **DONG NAI**

A total of 661 beneficiaries received support and direct assistance from PDSP during this quarter, including:

- 182 persons received wheelchairs, moving canes, braces, prosthetics and other devices.
- 50 persons received hearing aids.
- 22 received health insurance cards.
- 91 children with disabilities (CWD) received scholarships and educational supports.
- 36 children received support to attend day-care services and interventions at Song Pho Applied Psychology and Center for Disabled Children and Orphans.
- 12 received vocational training and employment counseling.
- 87 persons, of which 11 were through DONAVA, received livelihood support and business start-up assistance.

### **PCC Dong Nai**

- 541 women received PCC exam and counseling services (60 cases at RHCC, 43 cases at Dong Nai hospital, 40 cases at Bien Hoa health center, 398 cases at 5 CHS).
- 578 people participated in 23 counseling sessions at community level.
- 1,206 people (800 students and 406 workers) attended 3 mass group talks.

### **BINH DINH**

- 55 amputees received prostheses and 24 received clinical exams/confirmations for corrective surgeries.
- 303 persons received regular PT services/rehabilitation exercises at home and at communal rehabilitation centers.
- 130 PWD received support for small business start-up and livelihood development.

### **QUANG NAM**

- 53 PWD in Thang Binh district received a health exam.

- 88 PWD in Dien Ban and Dai Loc districts received legal counseling.
- 30 CWD in Nui Thanh district received multiple support packages.
- 97 CWD continued to receive special education interventions at Paddy's Center in Hoi An city and Kianh Center in Dien Ban district.

## **TAY NINH**

- 20 children with cognitive/developmental disabilities received continued support to attend special education / interventions at the School for the Blind (support included meal, tuition fee and equipment/supplies).

## **IV. MONITORING**

The M&E team worked with Danang DOLISA to conduct an evaluation field trip for the community based-vocational program that was initiated by this local partner. At least two beneficiaries per district, one male and one female, with different types of vocational training, were randomly selected for interviews among nearly 100 PWDs who participated in the training. PDSP staff conducted direct interviews with each visited case, focusing on service satisfaction and the obstacles/challenges during the vocational training program.

The findings showed that only one case dropped out the program since it started in August 2014. Among the cases the beneficiaries visited, none had any substantial complaint about the training program. This community-based model was described as suitable for persons with disabilities because the training emphasizes practical skills development and the jobs are in demand. These include photo editor, electrician, hair stylist/barber, motorbike repairman, tailor, and handicrafts maker, which do not require the people enrolled in the program to have a high education background or extensive working experience. PDSP wrote up the experience of one of the graduates of the program and submitted to USAID as a Success Story (attached in Annex II).

PDSP staff also conducted visits to monitor the results of small grants and assist the grantees in financial management in Quang Nam, Thai Binh, Thua-Thien Hue, Dong Nai, Binh Dinh, and Binh Phuoc during the quarter. Progress to date under the small grants program is reported in Annex IV.

The M&E team worked with Danang Disabled Persons Organization to deliver educational materials on Gender Equality (GE) and Gender-Based Violence (GBV) against persons with disabilities for more than 200 PWDs who participated in events on Vietnam Disability Day in April. Copies of these materials are also included in Annex II.

An independent assessment of Danang's pilot BDS program found it had succeeded on both objectives—establishing and operating BD information system and referring birth defects to treatment. Some key findings of the assessment are the following: (1) Surveillance system established; (2) Increase in case reporting thanks to training for physicians, nurses, and midwives leading to increased detection and diagnosis; (3) Increase in staff's capability in diagnosis and provision of advice/education to parents on birth defects; (4) Ability to collect, manage, and provide data; (5) Effectiveness of (three) case managers in the community in referral of birth defects to treatment services.

The assessment also recommended areas for improvement: (1) Improve clarity of data collection forms; (2) Improve consistency/cleaning of data, coding, entering data; and (3) Use Epi-Info or Epi-Data software instead of Excel. The assessment team also gave key

recommendations for next steps: (1) Continue to use the “referral system” and make it a model for other districts; (2) Involve private hospitals in hospital-based surveillance; and (3) Prolong project support for 3-5 years to achieve stability of the system.

### PDSP Indicator Targets and Results

Standard Indicators				2013 Results		2014 Results		2015 Results	
1. Number of people benefiting from USG-supported social services				2,115		5,927		3,274	
				<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>
				1,252 (59%)	863 (41%)	2,892 (48%)	3,035 (52%)	1,888 (58%)	1,386 (42%)
<b>Target Set for FY 2015 is 1,958</b>		<b>Deviation Type</b>		<b>Date of Last DQA (MM/YYYY)</b>					
The target for this reporting period was 400 and the result is 832 (208%). Of these, 52 % is male and 48 % is female. <b>Explanation:</b> PDSP expanded its implementation to other provinces in this reporting period so direct assistance to persons with disabilities was higher than anticipated.									
				<b>2013 Results</b>		<b>2014 Results</b>		<b>2015 Results</b>	
2. Number of service providers trained who serve vulnerable persons				663		2,156		1,510	
				<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>
				323 (49%)	340 (51%)	1,083 (51%)	1,073 (49%)	672 (44%)	838 (56%)
<b>Target Set for FY 2015 is 700</b>		<b>Deviation Type</b>		<b>Date of Last DQA (MM/YYYY)</b>					
The target is 100 and the result in this reporting period is 999 (990%). Of these, 51% is male and 49% is female. <b>Explanation:</b> The Disability Information System (DIS) was replicated in other provinces (Quang Nam, Thai Binh, Binh Phuoc and Tay Ninh) so PDSP provided many DIS trainings for local service providers accordingly to support DIS implementation									
<b>Gender Indicator (GNDR-6):</b>				<b>2013 Results</b>		<b>2014 Results</b>		<b>2015 Results</b>	
3. Number of people receiving USG-funded GBV awareness training				0		211		204	
				<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>M</b>	<b>W</b>
				0 0 %	0 0 %	82 39%	129 61%	73 36 %	131 64 %
<b>Target Set in FY 2015 is 200</b>		<b>Deviation Type</b>		<b>Date of Last DQA (MM/YYYY)</b>					
The target in this reporting period is 100 and the result is 0. <b>Explanation:</b> PDSP trainings for case managers on Gender-based Violence (GBV) and Gender Equality (GE) in the previous quarter already achieved the annual target.									

## V. NEXT QUARTER'S WORK PLAN

Main activities and accomplishments expected in 3rd quarter (July-Sept 2015)

**DANANG**

**IRI**

- Advanced training on case management with PWD; need assessment and social work skills; disability case management circular and referral process.
- Continue to support for development of Danang disability action plan 2016 and sustainability plan, and guidance for implementation of circular 07 (to deploy social workers/social work collaborators in the community).
- Continue counseling and hotline counseling through Danang Social work Service Center and support with/for intervention and livelihood development.
- Print and distribute manual of referral guidance (subject to People's Committee approval).
- Continue referral and service delivery for beneficiaries under case management whose needs have been identified.
- Continue open new cases (500 new cases planned for fiscal year 2015).
- Revisit to reconfirm the needs and update into DIS for those PWD who have been identified needing case management supports.
- Review/evaluation workshops on case management, referral and DIS.

## **IR2**

- Continue provision of health support and assistive devices to PWD under case management, including referral to government health insurance benefits.
- Support the Da Nang Autistic Children's Parent Association to organize the need assessment for children with developmental/autism.
- Continue technical support for models of social work services in hospitals piloting at Da Nang Rehabilitation hospital and Da Nang Orthopedics-Rehabilitation hospital.
- Train 200 teachers on M&E tools for assessing children with learning difficulties.
- Provision of equipment for 5 new resource rooms and train responsible teachers.
- Continue provision of livelihood supports and community-based vocational training through DOLISA sub-grant.
- Continue supervision trips for environmental mitigation and monitoring plan (EMMP) compliances and provide livestock for those qualified.
- Organize an event to promote PWD employment and honor companies recruiting PWD. This would include collaborating with DRT to develop T.V. program on disability awareness and employment.

## **IR3**

- BDS End-of-Project workshop (on July 8<sup>th</sup>).
- Dong nai PCC End-of-Project workshop (scheduled Aug 17<sup>th</sup>).
- Continue to monitor PCC service delivery at all levels especially at commune level.
- Continue to collect data on service delivery for BDS, NBS, PCC for PDSP M&E
- Comment and finalizing BDS assessment draft report.
- Prepare End-of-Project report for PH team and PDSP M&E.

## **DONG NAI**

- Training for case managers, CM supervisors and PC deputies on social work with PWD skills, referral mechanism and Circular on case management.
- Continue needs assessments, opening cases, developing ISPs for new cases in Bien Hoa and Vinh Cuu.
- Conduct training on livestock raising and environment compliance and deliver livestock for 52 PWD.

- Continue providing support to PWD in the CM system, including vocational training, livelihood development, education support, assistive devices.
- Continue supporting Song Pho Center, Dong Nai School for Disabled Children, Dong Nai VAVA (DONAVA), Blind Association, and Disabled Children Center in early intervention for children with autism/ developmental disabilities, intervention through day-care program, school-to-work program and livelihood development.

### **BINH DINH**

- Training for case managers, CM supervisors and PC deputies on social work with PWD skills, referral mechanism and Circular on case management.
- Provide livestock to 225 qualified PWD and clean water supply for 14 PWD households.
- Provide livelihood improvement support to 144 PWD under case management.
- Provide assistive devices including wheelchairs and walking sticks.
- Conduct corrective surgeries for 20 PWD.
- Provide vocational training/apprenticeship to 19 PWD under case management.
- Complete provision of equipment, and start operation of three resource rooms;
- Continue center-based and home-based rehabilitation services in the two districts.

### **QUANG NAM**

- Complete vocational training on professional massage for 20 blind persons.
- Conduct final rounds of assistive device deliveries to PWD.
- Follow-up /quality assurance for delivered devices.
- Organize 1-day training on disability policies for DOLISA staff.
- Complete data collection and DIS entry in all districts.
- Training on hotline operation for staff at Social Works Service Center.
- 3-day study tour on case management for staff of all social protection centers.
- Small grants' recipients (ACDC, COV, WLP, Kianh, and Paddy's Jewel center) continue and wrap up the implementation of their committed tasks.

### **TAY NINH**

- Organize training for PWD households on livestock raising.
- Deliver livestock and livelihood supports.
- Complete clinical examination for wheelchairs and hearing aids recipients, and deliver of wheelchair and hearing aids to those qualified.
- Train DOLISA staffs at district commune level on disability policies.
- Select and deliver educational supports to children with disabilities.
- Continue data collection for DIS and data entry.

### **THAI BINH / BINH PHUOC / THUA-THIEN HUE**

- Provides technical assistances for Social Work Services Centers to pilot CM, deliver supports to those who needs support operation of hotlines.
- Continue the DIS data collection and data input in two provinces.
- Provide technical support and follow up on PDSP sub grants in the three provinces

### **SMALL GRANTS AND OTHER MANAGEMENT ACTIVITIES**

- Continue monitoring of small grants

- Begin close-out of grants and other activities, including disposition of equipment

## **I. PROJECT ADMINISTRATION**

### **Constraints and Critical Issues**

PDSP has more than 60 grants, large and small, that need to be monitored and eventually closed out. The biggest challenge will be tracking our grantees' and subcontractor's work on livestock delivery and home improvements to see that these activities stay on schedule and that environmental compliance measures are carried out and monitored.

### **Personnel**

We will begin some staffing reductions in the next quarter in preparation for project close-down. The team leaders for IR2 (Khanh) and IR3 (Phuong) will begin a part-time schedule starting in July.

### **Changes in the Project**

None other than those mentioned elsewhere.

### **Contract Modifications and Amendments**

DAI submitted a revised request for a 4-month No-Cost Extension to USAID on June 6, and USAID approved the NCE on June 18. Under the extension (through January 31, 2016), PDSP will complete most direct assistance activities (except home improvements and livestock) by the end of September, with the main focus of the extension on further capacity strengthening in case management.

## **VIII. COMMUNICATIONS**

This quarter, PDSP submitted one Success Story, one Highlight and one Update to USAID. The Success Story, titled *Restoring Hope and Confidence through Community-based Vocational Training for Persons with Disabilities*, told the story of Tran Song The from Hoa Vang, a 19-year-old disabled youth who succeeded at building a job as an electrician through the community-based vocational training program PDSP has supported through DOLISA. The Highlight documented the various events in multiple provinces that PDSP supported on Vietnam Disability Day in April, while the Update summarized the number of beneficiaries that the project has supported to date. These 3 communication products are attached in Annex II.

## **IX. ENVIRONMENTAL COMPLIANCE**

Two of the project's activities—small home improvement construction for PWDs and livelihood support in the form of livestock—require PDSP to follow USAID environmental compliance procedures.

**Home improvements.** PDSP awarded a contract to East Meets West Foundation to manage the home improvement work in Danang. During the quarter, EMW held a competitive bidding process and selected a local construction company to implement the work. Actual construction will commence in July. The environmental mitigation and monitoring plans (EMMP) prepared for each house and approved by USAID will be monitored by the engineer hired by DAI to do the initial designs of the improvements, then reported to PDSP.

**Livestock.** USAID approved the Environmental Review Forms PDSP submitted for procuring livestock in Danang in February and for Dong Nai and Binh Dinh in April and May. The project will be submitting ERFs for some livestock procurement in Binh Phuoc in July.

In Danang, the procurement of animals will be done through PDSP's subgrant to DOLISA. In Dong Nai and Binh Dinh, it will be done through subgrants to local NGOs. In each province, the procurement of animals will be preceded by training of the beneficiaries in animal husbandry and environmental risks and compliance. Following the training, the beneficiaries are required to make necessary improvements in the houses before receiving the animals. These may include upgrading of a cow shed or chicken pen, and construction of the waste disposal pits and disinfection hole that are required by the EMMP. The EMMPs will be monitored by local disability case managers and reported to PDSP.

In Danang, the training for livestock beneficiaries was carried out the first week of April, after which the trained beneficiaries returned home to do needed improvements before receiving livestock. From the last week of April to mid-May, local case managers were involved in monitoring the preparations made by the beneficiaries and completing the needed reporting. During June/July, DOLISA is identifying and selecting suppliers for vaccinated chickens and pigs. Delivery for properly vaccinated chickens and pigs is scheduled for mid-August. DOLISA is still in the process of identifying a supplier of cows.

## Annex I: Schedule of Future Events

Weeks	Location	Activity
July 6-8	Quang Nam	Graduation ceremony of training on massage technique for 20 blind persons (July 7th) Training for 58 participants on disability policies (July 8th)
July 9-10	Tay Ninh	Wheelchair delivery and hearing aids examination
July 8	Danang	BDS End-of-Project workshop
July 11	Tay Ninh	Training for recipients of livestock on livestock raising and environmental compliance
July 13 – 17	Binh Dinh	Training for recipients of livestock on livestock raising and environmental compliance
July 16 - 17	Quang Nam	Deliveries of assistive devices
July 14-25	Dong Nai	Provide vocational training supports
July 18 – 27	Binh Dinh	Deliveries of clean water supply to 14 PWD households
July 20-28	Dong Nai	Deliver livelihood supports for PWDs running small business.
July 27 – Aug 1	Binh Dinh	Training in advanced skills in case management and supervision
July 27-31	Danang	Workshop to promote hiring PWD and honor companies recruiting PWD.
July 20-25	Danang	Needs assessment for children with autism
July 27-Aug 1 Aug 6-15	Binh Dinh Dong Nai Danang	Advanced training on case management with PWD, needs assessment and social work skills for CMs and supervisors
Aug 1-15	Quang Nam	Training on hotline operation for staff at Social Work Service Center and study tour for 25 case management staff to Binh Dinh province
Aug 6 - 7	Tay Ninh	Policy training for DOLISA staff
Aug 17	Dong Nai	Dong Nai PCC End-of-Project workshop
Aug 3-15	Danang	Focus group discussion for city disability action plan and sustainability plan
Aug 6-8	Dong Nai	Training on case management circular, social work with PWD and referral mechanism in Vinh Cuu district

Aug 10 – 28	Binh Dinh	Livelihood support for small business establishments for 144 PWD
Aug 10 - 21	Tay Ninh	Deliver cows, hearing aids and scholarships
Aug 10-21	Danang	Basic training on referral process Basic training on case management circular issued by MOLISA
Aug 10-15	Dong Nai	Training on Case management circular, social work with PWD and referral mechanism in Bien Hoa City
Aug 17 – 21	Quang Nam	Follow-up checking on delivered assistive devices
Sept 1 – 4	Binh Dinh	Deliver assistive devices to 30 PWD
Sept 20-25	Danang	Review/evaluation workshop on DIS
Sept 20-25	Dong Nai	Training on PWD data collection and DIS

## Annex II: Deliverables

The attached products include:

- An educational pamphlet on the rights of children with disabilities distributed at several school events on Vietnam Disability Day
- A pamphlet on newborn screening services produced for the Danang Hospital for Women and Children
- A Highlight described PDSP-supported activities on Vietnam Disability Day
- An Update summarizing PDSP's beneficiary data through March 2015
- A Success Story about one of the graduates of the community-based vocational training program
- A leaflet and booklet on gender equality and gender-based violence issues pertaining to persons with disabilities distributed during Vietnam Disability Day



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PDSP Success  
Highlight--Vietnam DisUpdate--Beneficiary SStory--Community-ba



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Gender booklet for  
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## Annex III: PDSP Communication Products

Type	Title	Visibility
<b>Fact Sheet</b>	Disability Support Program Fact Sheet	USAID Vietnam website
<b>Highlights</b>	Greater Mobility for the Visually Impaired—Jan 2014	USAID Vietnam Facebook
	Scorecards for Better Service Delivery—Feb 2014	USAID Vietnam Facebook
	Improving Professional Education in Rehabilitation Therapy—March 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Addressing the Needs of Women with Disabilities in Vietnam—March 2014	USAID Vietnam Facebook
	Vocational training (baking) at Thanh Tam School—March 2014	DAI Global Facebook
	Celebrating (Vocational Training on) Vietnam Disability Day – April 2014	USAID Vietnam Facebook page; DAI Global Facebook page
	Congressional Delegation Visit to Danang—April 2014	DAI Global Facebook page;
	Equipping of resource rooms for inclusive education in Danang—May 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Vocational training at LED Binh Ming—June 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Special Education BA training in Dong Nai and Danang—July 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	International Disability Day—December 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Vietnam Disability Day—April 2015	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
<b>Updates</b>	DPO grant--April 2013	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Direct assistance--July 2013	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Beneficiary Update--Aug 2013	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Assistance to Danang Blind--Sept 2013	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Beneficiary Update, Year 1--Oct 2013	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	December 2013—Disability Day	USAID Vietnam website
	School-to-Work Program in Dong Nai—Feb 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Beneficiary Update—April 2014	USAID Vietnam website
	Expansion of case management activities in Binh Dinh—June 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Beneficiary Update—September 2014	USAID Vietnam website
	Beneficiary Update—March 2015	USAID Vietnam website
<b>Success Stories</b>	Revolving Grant Funds Creates Better Opportunities for People with Disabilities in Danang—Dec 2013	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Disabled People’s Organization Creates Opportunities for Jobs—Nov 2013	Submitted to USAID
	Personalized Support Ignites Opportunities for Persons with Disabilities—Jan 2014	USAID website; USAID Vietnam Facebook page
	Phu Hoa Cooperative Expands Stable Employment for Persons with Disabilities in Southern Vietnam—July 2014	Submitted to USAID

	Finding Jobs, Fulfilling Lives—Jan 2015	Submitted to USAID
	No Child Left Behind—March 2015	Submitted to USAID and posted on USAID Vietnam <i>Transforming Lives</i> website.
	Restoring Hope and Confidence through Community-based Vocational Training for Persons with Disabilities—June 2015	Submitted to USAID
<b>Other</b>	Project Direct Assistance Snapshot—April 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Project Year One Brief—Feb 2014	USAID Vietnam website
	USAID DSP – Looking Ahead—April 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Video on vocational training at Tam Thien Sewing Company—June 2014	Submitted to USAID Vietnam
	Project Year Two Brief—Dec 2014 (English and Vietnamese)	Submitted to USAID Vietnam

## Annex IV: Small Grants Progress Report

Grantee		Objectives	Results to Date
ACDC/Hanoi	Empowering the voice and role of Quang Nam DPO (Quang Nam)	Increase PWDs' access to legal guidance and information about their rights as related to the national-level laws on PWD rights and social welfare and the UN Convention on the Rights of PWD in under-resourced areas of Quang Nam province through training for leaders of local DPOs and government officials.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided two 2-day trainings for 71 DOLISA staff and DPO leaders on policy advocacy skills and legal assistance skills.</li> <li>• Held two legal counseling events directly to 88 PWDs in Dien Ban and Dai Loc districts.</li> </ul>
Centre for Social Sciences and Humanities—Hue University	Improving livelihoods for people with disabilities through a market approach (Thua Thien Hue—Aluoi District)	Increase income, promote job creation, and secure livelihoods of people with disabilities and their families.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Completed rapid assessment to identify needs of persons with disabilities in A Luoi in terms of livelihood and product promotion and then shared assessment results with local stakeholders</li> <li>• Cooperated with local vocational training program for PWDs to organize 3 short (two days) training courses on job counselling for 80 persons with disabilities</li> <li>• Organized employment forum to share experiences about job opportunities for PWDs and promote their products. More than sixty persons with disabilities and local stakeholders participated in this event.</li> </ul>
Central Deaf Services	Sign Language Training for Deaf Students and Teachers of the Deaf in Local Special Schools (Danang)	Help integrate deaf students into their communities by building local capacity for teachers and caregivers to educate and communicate with deaf students and children in Danang and improve awareness of quality deaf education and deaf culture.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provided short training courses for 107 deaf students in Danang and Quang Nam on life skills and sign language.</li> <li>• Provided short training courses on sign language and special education for 95 service providers, including special education teachers at Tuong lai, Nguyen Dinh Chieu, Village of Hope and members of Danang DPO.</li> </ul>
Inclusive Development Action (IDEA)	Capacity building in business skills and promoting law enforcement to ensure the rights of women with disabilities (Thai Binh)	Help build a support system to raise awareness and improve understanding of the rights of women with disabilities in under-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trained 40 women with disabilities to improve awareness of rights and skills related to gender equality, family violence prevention, laws for WWDs and how to</li> </ul>

		resourced areas of Thai Binh.	<p>apply their rights into their daily lives</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Connected WWDs to the local media and community to disseminate information about PWD rights and law</li> <li>• Competitions held commemorating National Disability Day with around 100 participants to raise awareness about PWD rights</li> <li>• 19 women trained in soft skills to increase self-esteem and improve independence.</li> <li>• 500 leaflets printed to be distributed throughout target communities.</li> </ul>
Children of Vietnam	Hope System of Care for Children with Disabilities in Tam Xuan I Commune (Quang Nam)	Lives of children with disabilities in one of Quang Nam's neediest communes will be improved by bringing together interdisciplinary teams of local service providers and government agencies to apply a case management methodology that provides comprehensive services to them.	<p>The following services were provided to 30 selected CWDs in targeted commune:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>* Conduct general health checks to 30 CWDs;</li> <li>Specialized health checks (conducted in Danang city) to 11 CWDs.</li> <li>* Provided nutritional supports to 12 CWDs;</li> <li>* Delivered in-kind supports (learning desks, bicycles, and house-ware) to 41 CWDs;</li> <li>* Provided integration scholarships to 19 CWDs;</li> <li>* Provided medical equipment to 5 CWDs; sponsored 1 CWD with surgery; and 5 CWDs with rehabilitation services</li> </ul>
War Legacies Project	Bringing Health Care Home to People with Disabilities (Quang Nam—Thang Binh District)	Improve the accessibility and quality of health and social services to an under-served population of PWDs in Thanh Binh district in Quang Nam—severely disabled persons being cared for at home.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Carried out five 1-day trainings, including TOT, for 42 local service providers on basic case management and provision of home-based care to PWDs.</li> <li>• Provided health check service to 53 PWDs in Thang Binh district.</li> </ul>
PHAD (Institute of Population, Health, and Development)	Increase employment and vocational training accessibility for PWD based on local cooperator groups (Thai Binh—Quynh Phu District)	Increase access to jobs and vocational training for PWDs in Quynh Phu district of Thai Binh province.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Completed survey/mapping of vocational training centers and companies available for hiring PWDs</li> <li>- Completed employment handbook and provided training for 228 village collaborators and more than 60 commune DOLISA and health leaders on how to use the handbook for job counselling for PWDs.</li> <li>- Developed and delivered leaflet for employment advocacy to local companies in</li> </ul>

			Quynh Phu district and other areas of Thai Binh Province.
Vietnam Blind Association/Hanoi	Conducting Leadership Training and Forming Clubs for Blind Women (Thai Binh)	Build local leadership and capacity to create and sustain new clubs for blind women across Thai Binh province and improve awareness of various stakeholders of the difficulties facing blind women as well as the general needs and rights of PWD.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Training course for 27 selected blind women on leadership and organizational skills.</li> <li>• Provincial pilot club formed with potential members management of club and club regulations established.</li> <li>• Program on marriage and happiness of the family organized for 83 participants.</li> <li>• Eight new blind women's clubs established, following guidance from provincial level club.</li> <li>• 1-day seminar on rights of women with disabilities for 100 women with disabilities and representatives of PWD-supporting organizations</li> </ul>
VietHealth	Support on home-based intervention for children with disabilities (Thu Thien Hue—Huong Tra Town)	Improve the early detection and care of disabilities among CWDs under 6 years old in Huong Tra, by raising the awareness, knowledge and skills of parents on home-based intervention techniques.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organized a 3-day workshop for 43 caregivers who have children with disabilities under 6 years old to raise awareness on disabilities and the importance of early intervention; and conduct needs assessment and develop individual intervention plan for each child.</li> <li>• 30 children with movement and developmental disabilities were provided early intervention by rehabilitation and educational experts; and their caregivers received appropriate training on how to take daily care for their children at home.</li> </ul>
Thai Binh Disabled Youth Club	Enhancement of capacity for organizational development for Disable Youth Club and economic improvement for People With Disabilities in Thai Binh province	Build the capacity for the core members of the Club and help them mobilize establishment of a DPO and improve the economic situation for PWDs through livelihood support/self-employment development and job skills training.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 3- day training on starting a business for 40 participants</li> <li>• 3-day training workshop on process and planning of the establishment of DPO</li> <li>• Established mobilizing committee complete the planning and application for the permission of the provincial PC on the establishment of DPO</li> </ul>
Thua Thien Hue Disabled Persons Organization (DPO)	“Building capacity for Thua Thien Hue DPO and improving living condition for persons with disabilities in Nam Dong rural district of Thua Thue Hue province”	Build capacity for the provincial DPO and its branches members and to improve the economic situation for PWDs in Nam Dong District through revolving fund and livelihood support.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 78 DPO leaders and their key personnel at provincial and district level received 3 day technical training on communication, management, leadership, planning skills.</li> <li>• 20 PWDs in the rural communes of Nam Dong were selected to receive PDSP</li> </ul>

			support for livestock raising (ducks and pigs); • 20 PWDs in the urban area of Nam Dong received PDSP revolving fund for their livelihood development;
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