



# Fact Sheet

## At A Glance

### CURRENT REACH

Populations in 154 countries

### FISCAL YEAR 2016 BUDGET

\$3.2 billion (including in-kind donations of medicines)

### PROGRAMS

African Health Workforce Project

Center for Vaccine Equity

Children Without Worms

International Trachoma Initiative

Mectizan Donation Program

Neglected Tropical Diseases Support Center

Public Health Informatics Institute

TEPHINET

### MAJOR FUNDERS

Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation

Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

GSK

Johnson & Johnson

Merck

Pfizer

U.S. Agency for International Development

World Health Organization

### STAFF SIZE

136

### OFFICE LOCATIONS

Decatur, GA (headquarters)

Addis Ababa, Ethiopia

Islamabad, Pakistan

The Task Force for Global Health works to solve complex health problems that affect vulnerable populations around the world. Our programs focus on controlling and eliminating debilitating diseases and building durable systems that protect and promote health.

We partner with ministries of health, the World Health Organization, U.S. government agencies, and other organizations to control and eliminate neglected tropical diseases that burden people in developing countries. These diseases include trachoma, river blindness, lymphatic filariasis (elephantiasis), and intestinal worms. We also help countries prepare for influenza outbreaks and are playing a major role in polio eradication.

In addition to disease control and elimination, we assist countries in building their public health infrastructure. Our work includes training frontline health workers in how to detect and respond to disease outbreaks and building health information systems.

### Partnerships Are Essential to Solving Global Health Problems

We use a powerful collaborative model to mobilize resources and expertise, identify synergies, and build the consensus necessary to address large-scale health issues. We currently serve as the secretariat or hub for six major global health coalitions. Our pharmaceutical partners donate significant quantities of vaccines, antibiotic and antiparasitic medicines valued at billions of dollars annually. As an Emory University affiliate, we also benefit from the close association with a top-tier academic institution.

### Recipient of the 2016 Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize

In 2016, we received the prestigious Conrad N. Hilton Humanitarian Prize in recognition of our extraordinary contributions toward alleviating human suffering. This \$2-million award was presented after an extensive evaluation of our record of impact, scientific excellence, innovation, and fiscal stewardship.

### Our Future

We have experienced strong and growing demand for our services in recent years, and are exploring opportunities to develop new programs in leprosy, hypertension, and viral hepatitis elimination. Bringing home our global health expertise, we also are planning a new health improvement initiative in DeKalb County, GA, focused on addressing social determinants of health that contribute to poor health outcomes.

### Why Are We Called The Task Force for Global Health?

The Task Force was founded as a temporary organization to work on a specific global health problem—low childhood vaccination rates in developing countries. Our founder Bill Foege, who was the architect of smallpox eradication, believed we should continue to work only for as long as our services were needed. But because of the effectiveness of our collaborative model in solving large-scale health problems, we have continued our work to help populations in need for more than three decades.