# National Institute of Health of Mozambique (Instituto Nacional de Saúde, INS)

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### Mozambique





2500 Km coastline

Population: 21.4 Million

GNI: USD 7.3 billion

GNI per capita: USD 340

#### **History**

- 1<sup>st</sup>-4<sup>th</sup> Centuries A.D.: Bantu Society
- 1400s: Portuguese explorers/slave trade
- 1884: formally colonized
- 1975: Independence
- 1980s-1990s: war
- 1992: peace agreement



#### **Country Indicators**

Below poverty:54%

Life expectancy:42 years

Infant mortality:124 per 1,000 live births



#### National Institute of Health (INS)

- Created in 1991
- Part of Ministry of Health
- 104 employees
- Major functions include
  - Laboratory science
  - Research
  - Disease surveillance
  - Surveys
  - Monitoring/evaluation
  - Outbreak investigation
  - Training



#### **Project Goal: Develop Stronger NPHI**

 Step One - Strategic planning: mission, vision, and long term objectives for INS, and for public health in Mozambique.

 Step Two - Based on strategic plan and priority areas: develop human resources and facility to achieve mission.

#### **INS-IANPHI** Partnership: Project Team

INS: Ilesh Jani and team

Fiocruz: Felix Rosenberg

 IANPHI: Courtenay Dusenbury

 CUH2A: Scott Butler, Lynn Mignola, Jeff Minton and team



#### 2006-2008: Project Development

- NPHI to NPHI Technical Assistance
- Fiocruz/CDC site visits included Paulo Buss (President, Fiocruz), Eric Mintz (U.S. CDC), Ana Beatriz Morales da Silva (Fiocruz) and Felix Rosenberg (Fiocruz)
- Strategic planning exercises (Fiocruz) in Maputo for development of mission, vision and priorities for INS.

#### **INS Priority Needs**

 Sample transport and storage system

Disease prevention and control at outbreak sites

 Resources for outbreak investigation teams



#### **INS Priority Needs**



- Reliable surveillance system, particularly in rural areas
- Laboratory support for accurate/fast diagnosis
- Research to identify and address public health priorities

#### **INS Priority Needs**

 Physical location: part of Ministry of Health Office Building

In Central Maputo

 Limited ability to protect workers/public



#### Next Steps: 2009-2012

- November 2009: with technical assistance from Fiocruz and IHMT-Lisboa, develop long-term plan for human resources to meet INS mission/priority needs.
- Work with IANPHI and Fiocruz to implement human resources plan. Focus includes systems and personnel for surveillance, outbreak investigation (FELTP), research and laboratory sciences.
- U.S. CDC will support complementary activities: FELTP, training and lab improvements.

#### 2009-2010: Next Steps: a new facility?

 IANPHI does not fund buildings.

 Need was so great, decision was made to begin design and work as a team to bring potential funders to facility.



#### Next Steps: a new facility?

 CUH2A's Design for Others has committed 1000+ hours to design facility based on INS strategic plan priorities

CDC has committed funds for local design and project management

 IANPHI and U.S. CDC seeking funding for the project from the US Government; other donors sought.

#### **Conclusions**

 Facility and human resources are linked. Both are needed to transform public health in Mozambique.

 A building is only as strong as its inhabitants.
 Human resources capacity will be integral to the success of this project.

## Obrigado!