



## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL U.S. Agency for International Development

### MEMORANDUM

**DATE:** July 18, 2022

**TO:** USAID/Tanzania, Mission Director, Kate Somvongsiri

**FROM:** USAID OIG Africa Regional Office, Audit Director, Robert Mason /s/

**SUBJECT:** Financial Audit of USAID Resources Managed by Amref Health Africa in Tanzania Under Cooperative Agreement 72062120CA00007, October 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021 (Report No. 4-621-22-076-R)

This memorandum transmits the final audit report on USAID resources managed by Amref Health Africa in Tanzania (Amref Tanzania) for the Afya Shirikishi activity. Amref Tanzania contracted with the independent audit firm Deloitte & Touché, Dar es Salaam, Tanzania, to conduct the audit. The audit firm stated that it performed its audit in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards (GAGAS). However, it did not have continuing professional education program and an external peer review that fully satisfy the standards' requirements. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on Amref Tanzania's schedule of expenditures of USAID awards; the effectiveness of its internal control; or its compliance with the award, laws, and regulations.<sup>1</sup>

The audit objectives were to (1) express an opinion on whether the schedule of expenditures of USAID awards for the period audited, was presented fairly, in all material respects; (2) evaluate Amref Tanzania's internal controls; (3) determine whether Amref Tanzania complied with award terms and applicable laws and regulations; (4) review the indirect cost rate; and (5) review the implementation status of the prior period recommendations.

To answer the audit objectives, Deloitte & Touché (1) audited the schedule of expenditures of USAID awards for the award including the budgeted amounts by category and major items and the revenues received from USAID for the period covered by the audit and the costs reported by Amref Tanzania as incurred from October 1, 2020, to December 31, 2021; (2) evaluated the control environment, the adequacy of the accounting systems, and control procedures that pertain to Amref Tanzania's ability to report financial data consistent with the assertions embodied in each account of the schedule of expenditures of USAID awards; (3) identified the

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<sup>1</sup> We reviewed the audit firm's report for conformity with professional reporting standards. Our desk reviews are typically performed to identify any items needing clarification or issues requiring management attention. Desk reviews are limited to review of the audit report itself and excludes review of the auditor's supporting working papers; they are not designed to enable us to directly evaluate the quality of the audit performed.

award terms and pertinent laws and regulations and determined which of those, if not observed, could have a direct and material effect on the schedule of expenditures of USAID awards; (4) determined that the review of the indirect cost rate was not applicable; and (5) reviewed the implementation status of the prior period recommendations. Amref Tanzania reported expenditures of \$3,697,235 in USAID funds during the audited period.

The audit firm concluded the schedule of expenditures of USAID awards presented fairly, in all material respects, program revenues and costs incurred under the award for the period audited. The audit firm identified \$1,696 in ineligible questioned costs; one material weaknesses in internal control; and three instances of material noncompliance, one specifically related to the questioned costs identified. Since the questioned costs did not meet the OIG's established threshold of \$25,000 for making a recommendation, we are not making a recommendation for the questioned costs and the specifically related noncompliance instance. Nevertheless, we suggest that USAID/Tanzania determine the allowability of the \$1,696 in questioned costs and recover any amount determined to be unallowable.

To address the issues identified in the report, we recommend that USAID/Tanzania:

**Recommendation 1.** Verify that Amref Health Africa corrects the one material weakness in internal control detailed on pages 25 and 26 of the audit report.

**Recommendation 2.** Verify that Amref Health Africa corrects the two instances of material noncompliance detailed on pages 29 to 32 of the audit report.

We ask that you provide your written notification of actions planned or taken to reach management decision.

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