



## Banking on Health Project (BOH)

### Who We Are

The **Banking on Health Project (BOH)** improves the ability of private health care businesses to access credit, thereby increasing their capacity to deliver high-quality reproductive health and family planning products and services. Financing is an essential input that assists the private sector in expanding the range and types of services, entering underserved areas, and making quality improvements.

### What We Do

Banking on Health takes two approaches to promoting increased access to financing:

- **Financial Institution Capacity Building**

Banking on Health works with local financial institutions to improve health sector lending. This work includes bank training, loan product development, market assistance and structuring and working with USAID's Development Credit Authority (DCA) guarantees in support of the private health sector.



- **Providing Assistance to Health Care Sector Businesses**

Banking on Health conducts training and technical assistance to improve the credit-readiness of private health care businesses. BOH works with health care businesses to improve business skills, package loans, and provide post loan care, if necessary.

### Project Background

The Banking on Health Project is a core-funded component of USAID's Private Sector Program (PSP) Indefinite Quantity Contract (IQC.) It is a five-year global contract, which commenced in October 2004. In addition to the activities listed above, Banking on Health manages the Summa Foundation, a not-for-profit investment fund, and its outstanding portfolio of health sector loans.

Client: USAID/Washington

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