

**PUBLIC DISCLOSURE NOTICE**  
**OF**  
**Healthcare Waste Management Plan (HCWMP) and Adopted National Infection Prevention (IPC) Guidelines**  
**For**  
**ADDITIONAL FINANCING for INSTITUTIONAL FOUNDATION TO IMPROVE SERVICES FOR HEALTH (IFISH)**  
**PROJECT (P 177050)**

In line with the Environmental Regulation of Liberia and in compliance with the World Bank policy on disclosure of information, the Ministry of Health is pleased to announce to the public and all stakeholders that the final report for the Healthcare Waste Management Plan (HCWMP) and the adopted National Infection prevention (IPC) Guidelines for the Additional Financing (AF) for the Institutional Foundation to Improve Services for Health (IFISH) Project are now available. This project targets all counties in Liberia and massively support the construction of the New Redemption Hospital in Caldwell, Montserrado County and the Performance Based Financing (PBF) at selected primary and secondary health facilities respectively.

### **Brief Project Description**

The Additional Financing of the IFISH project will provide support, and is restructured to facilitate systems strengthening, improved service delivery, and achievement of better health and nutrition outcomes in the country. The restructured Project will finance an integrated design of the New Redemption Hospital by integrating Phases 1 and 2 into one multi-purpose unit. This means that all the departments, utilities, staff accommodation and other amenities envisaged under Phases I and II will be undertaken at the same time.

Other sub-components of the project aim to improve functionality and physical access to healthcare by supporting the rehabilitation and extension of health infrastructure at existing primary health facilities. The support will be targeted at the six counties implementing PBF under the project, namely: Gbarpolu, Rivercess, Sinoe, Bomi, Grand Kru, and Maryland.

The project will also support activities to enhance consultation and collaboration with community members (including trained traditional midwives) through health facility development committee (HFDC) meetings. These activities are expected to empower citizens, especially women and young girls, to make informed decisions on RMNCAH-N. Details of the full project components and restructuring alignments are found in the project appraisal document (PAD) at the World Bank portal.

### **Rationale for the HCWMP & National IPC Guidelines**

The HCWMP and the National IPC Guidelines were developed to provide measures that ensure adherence infection prevention and control in place at health facilities. They provide the basics for proper waste handling, collection, transportation, disposal or treatment method and procedures are addressed in accordance with national and international best practices. The plan and guidelines provide feasible options of applying the best available environmental practices within both hospital and community in other to improve and safeguard public health and realize a sustainable safe environment.

### **Display Centers**

The HCWMP and the National IPC Guidelines will be published on MOH, NPHIL and World Bank websites respectively. Hard copies shall be made available to key stakeholders and other parties.

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