



MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 18, 2021

TO: USAID/Southern Africa, Regional Mission Director, Andrew Karas

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

SUBJECT: Financial Audit of USAID Resources Managed by mothers2mothers South Africa NPC in Multiple Countries Under Multiple Awards, January 1 to December 31, 2020 (Report No. 4-674-22-001-R)

This memorandum transmits the final audit report on USAID resources managed by mothers2mothers South Africa NPC (m2m) under the following awards:

Award Name (Type)	Award Number	Audit Period	Prime Implementer
RISE II in Southern and Eastern Africa (cooperative agreement)	72067418CA00004	Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2020	
Children and Adolescents are My Priority (Champ) in South Africa (cooperative agreement)	72067418CA00026	Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2020	
Supporting an AIDS-Free Era (SAFE) in Zambia Project (subaward)	13690-03	Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2020	JSI Research & TrainingInstitute, Inc (JSI Inc) [AID-611-C-17-00001]
Better Outcomes for Children and Youth in Uganda (subaward) – closeout	10017	Jan. 1 – Nov. 30, 2020	World Education/ Bantwana, Inc. [AID-617-A-15-00003]
Support Prevention of HIV/AIDS in Vulnerable Populations (subaward)		Jan. 1 – Dec. 31, 2020	ABT [72065619C00008]

m2m contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm BDO, Cape Town, South Africa, 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 and an external peer review that fully satisfied the

requirements of GAGAS. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on m2m's fund accountability statement; the effectiveness of its internal control; or its compliance with the award, laws, and regulations.¹

The audit objectives were to (1) express an opinion on whether the fund accountability statement for the period audited was presented fairly, in all material respects; (2) evaluate m2m's internal controls; (3) determine whether m2m 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, BDO (1) audited the fund accountability statement 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 m2m as incurred from January 1 to December 31, 2020; (2) evaluated the control environment, the adequacy of the accounting systems, and control procedures that pertain to m2m's ability to report financial data consistent with the assertions embodied in each account of the fund accountability statement; (3) identified the award terms and pertinent laws and regulations and determined which of those, if not observed, could have a direct and material effect on the fund accountability statement; (4) reviewed the indirect cost rate; and (5) reviewed the implementation status of the prior period recommendations. m2m reported expenditures of \$8,798,669 in USAID funds during the audited period.

The audit firm concluded the fund accountability statement presented fairly, in all material respects, program revenues and costs incurred under the award for the period audited. The audit firm identified no questioned costs; no material weaknesses in internal control; and no instances of material noncompliance. The audit firm issued a management letter.

Accordingly, we are not making any recommendations.

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¹ 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.