



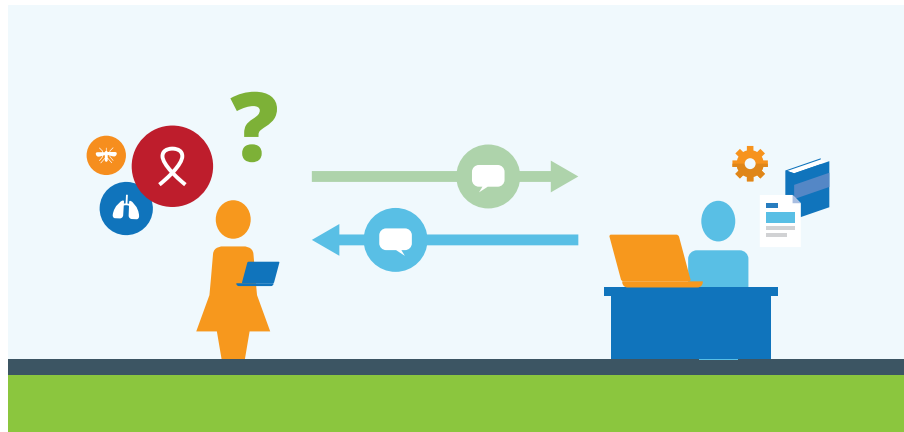
# Technical assistance — important aspect in response to epidemics

## Definition



In the process of development, implementation and oversight of programs to fight AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria, countries can define gaps in knowledge, data or skills, which prevents achievement of effective and necessary comprehensive impact. Technical cooperation (“technical support” and “technical assistance” (TA)) promotes elimination of these gaps.

In other words, these are actions directed to capacity strengthening and elimination of system disadvantages, preventing effective program implementation and service rendering. You can learn more about technical assistance from material on our website, including from Global Fund online course.



## TA requests



In general, countries can request technical cooperation on different levels of funding process: development of National strategic plan, country dialogue, drawing up of Concept Note, grant making, grant implementation. You can learn more about types of technical assistance, which can be useful on all these levels, here: <http://eecaplatform.org/opportunities/globalnyiy-fond-i-tp/>.



In the TA Opportunities section of Regional Platform-EECA project's website you can also find up-to-date information on existing opportunities for EECA region: <http://eecaplatform.org/en/opportunities/>.

## GF CRG Short-term TA



Global Fund does not directly provide technical assistance, the only exception is issues of communities, human rights and gender equality. In order to strengthen these issues in the programs of Global Fund and response to HIV, TB and malaria epidemics, the GF created a Communities, Rights and Gender Special Initiative. Within this initiative the GF developed a Short-term TA provision program. It directly accepts proposals for technical assistance on the relevant issues and coordinates its provision itself.

This TA is aimed at providing support to civil society organisation and community networks in order to strengthen the effectiveness of their engagement into the epidemics responses.

In terms of this program, countries can request TA before signing grant agreement in 3 main areas: situation analysis and planning, participation in country dialogue process and support of stakeholders. You can learn more about this in our section TA Opportunities: <http://eecaplatform.org/en/opportunities/short-term-ta-crg-gf/>.