

Portfolio Categorization

Focused: Targeted Portfolios

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Countries and multicountries eligible for Global Fund support are assigned to one of three portfolio categories: High Impact, Core or Focused, based on country allocations and disease burden. Policy requirements and procedures across the grant life cycle are differentiated based on these categories. For more information on portfolio categorization, see pages 4-6 of the Operational Policy Manual. Countries within the Focused category, while having a lower burden, are very diverse and have a wide range of epidemiological contexts. Therefore, the support from the Global Fund to Focused portfolios is targeted and oversight of grants may vary significantly from one country to another.

In order to further tailor the management process and level of oversight for Focused portfolios, the Global Fund has developed the Focused Portfolio Management Models. These new models, applicable for grants in Grant Cycle 7 and beyond, enable implementers and the Global Fund to better adapt to the needs and context of each country by adapting processes and requirements to provide increased flexibility, placing emphasis on the most value-adding activities.

Graph 1: Focused Portfolio Management models



- Leaves accountability to countries to use
 - funds flexibly, to ensure delivery per agreement
- · Confirms activities & inputs upfront with
- · Disburses against budget, and implementation
- progress

 Validates proposed implementation changes

Main features of the Targeted model

The Targeted management model is suitable for portfolios which are partially or wholly comprised of Payment-for-Results components and receive funding based on results achieved rather than for planned activities. This management model gives Focused Portfolios the opportunity to adopt Payment-for-Results approach in their grants without having to go through additional exemptions and signoffs. Under this management model, The Global Fund engages with Principal Recipients to define indicators, programmatic priorities and targets, including the structure of the incentive payments, to be linked to disbursements.

The Principal Recipients decide on the activities to be conducted to achieve the agreed results, leveraging existing country processes and systems, further promoting integration. Countries in this model can invest funds according to national priorities, with no requirement for further reporting of expenditures for the Payment-for-Results portion of the grants.