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PRESS RELEASE

USAID Provides Access to Psychological Counseling Services to Most Affected Communities in Osh

Osh, Kyrgyzstan - On November 14, 2011, the U.S. Government, through the United States Agency for International Development (USAID), will conduct a roundtable on "Psychological/Social Care Assistance to Children in Post Crisis Situations." The roundtable is organized as part of the USAID Program on Improving Access to Health Services in Osh City and Osh Province, implemented by the CitiHope International Representative Office in the Kyrgyz Republic.

One of the program components is the provision of psychological support and counseling for communities in the areas most affected by the violence which took place in June 2010 in Osh. Psychological counseling services will be provided to children in schools by psychologists working in conjunction with teachers.

The roundtable will inform government and civil society partners about planned activities. The roundtable participants will include representatives of the Ministry of Health, Osh Province and City Educational Departments, Social Protection Department, Province and City Administrations, and principals of schools where the program activities will take place.

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