Resolution R10-2021-e

Funding authorisation for the
CHAI COVID-19 Oxygen Technical Cooperation project

Recalling Board Resolution R5-2021-e, as amended by Resolution R9-2021-e, through which the Board confirmed its support for Unitaid’s engagement in accelerating and catalyzing access to medical oxygen in low and middle-income countries in response to the COVID-19 pandemic (“the Emergency Oxygen Response”) and authorised the Secretariat to initially commit up to USD $20 million;

Recalling Board Resolution R5-2020-e, as amended by Resolutions R7-2020-e and R3-2021-e, in which the Board authorised the Executive Director to commit funding through the expansion and reprogramming of existing grants to include activities aimed at supporting the global response to COVID-19, together with Resolution R4-2020-e in which the Board approved the process to manage new COVID-19 investments;

Recalling Board Resolution R7-2019-e in which the Board approved the commitment to the Clinton Health Access Initiative (“CHAI”) of US$ 32,958,435 for a project addressing the prevention of deaths from cervical cancer (“the Project”); together with Resolution R13-2020-e in which the Board authorised the commitment of additional funding to the Project of up to US$ 5 million for the CHAI COVID-19 Testing Transformation initiative; and

Noting that a further amount of up to $5 million has since been committed to the Project for the procurement of oxygen supplies across nine priority countries, in line with the Board’s decision in Resolution R5-2021-e and in accordance with the process approved through Resolution R4-2020;

The Executive Board notes that in accordance with the Board-approved process referred to above, any further commitment to CHAI must be approved by the Board. Acknowledging the recommendations of the Secretariat and the PRC, the Executive Board authorises the Executive Director to commit further additional funding of up to US$ 5 million to the Project for the activities set out in the document entitled “Annex 1D: Grant Amendment Agreement – CHAI COVID-19 Oxygen Technical Cooperation project”, subject to the availability of funds from within the US$20 million Board-approved budget for the Emergency Oxygen Response and signature of a formal amendment to the legal agreement for the Project.

Lead Organization: Clinton Health Access Initiative

Project Duration: 1 June - 31 December 2021 (6 months)

Marisol Touraine
Chair of the Unitaid Executive Board

Date: 15.06.2001.