

OPEN SYSTEM CAPITAL EXPENDITURES, 1992 US\$ MILLIONS

	Total	SS	IMSS	DDF	DIF
Primary care facilities	0.9	0.7	0.2	0	0
Hospitals	93.1	88.8	1.2	3.1	0
Infrastructure improvements	48.0	32.9	10.6	4.5	0
Administrative buildings	12.5	1.9	3.7	0	6.9
Other buildings	2.1	2.1	0	0	0
Other expenditures	4.3	3.9	0	0	0.4
Totals	160.9	130.3	15.7	7.6	7.3

SS - *Secretaría de Salud*, Secretariat of Health

IMSS - *Instituto Mexicano del Seguro Social*, Mexican Institute for Social Security

DDF - *Departamento del Distrito Federal*, Department of the Federal District

DIF - *Sistema Nacional para el Desarrollo Integral de la Familia*, National System for the Development of the Family

SECRETARIAT OF HEALTH

The *Secretaría de Salud (SS)*, Secretariat of Health, has two roles. It is responsible for the regulation of all medical establishments, and is also the nation's principal provider of primary health care services.

In its administrative capacity, the SS is responsible for:

- establishing national programs which are adopted by the health care providers in the National System;
- establishing standards for the quality of care to be delivered by the *Sistema Nacional de Salud*, National Health Care System; and
- establishing the standards for all supplies, products, devices and equipment used in the system.

The *Secretaría de Salud (SS)*, Secretariat of Health, operates the most extensive Health Care System in Mexico, with responsibility for 50 percent of all the public medical units in the country. The SS is responsible for all segments of the population not covered by the *Instituto Mexicano de Seguro Social (IMSS)*, Mexican Institute for Social Security, the *Departamento del Distrito Federal (DDF)*, Department of the Federal District, the *Sistema Nacional para el Desarrollo Integral de la Familia (DIF)*, National System for the Development of the Family, or state hospitals. The SS is the major force behind the primary care clinic network throughout the country. Only three percent of the units it operates are hospitals.

