

Since 1991, Vietnam Assistance for the Handicapped (VNAH)- a U.S. based NGO - has worked with international and local partners to support Vietnamese with disabilities and disadvantaged children to improve their quality of life and societal integration. VNAH also provided techical asistance for the development and implementation of national and sub-national disability policies and programs, and capacity building for local service providers.

Major results as of December 2023:

80,000+persons with disabilities have benefited from direct assistance in rehabilitation, assistive devices, education, vocational training, jobs/livelihood assistance, accessible latrines and clean water.

22,000 local service providers, including rehabilitation doctors and therapies, social workers and caregivers have been trained and empowered to better support persons with disabilities.

140 schools, 29 rehabilitation units and 5 vocational training schools have been built, set up, equipped and empowered to improve access to services for target beneficiaries.

Millions of persons with disabilities impacted by policies through our technical assistance for:

- Vietnam first national Disability Law.
- National and provincial action plans and programs for disability and rehabilitation services.
- Technical procedures and practice guidelines that expanded services and insurance coverage for rehabilitation services.
- First national accessibility codes and standards for public construction, transport and ICT.
- The Disability Information System which has been adopted in the national health system and being implemented in over 30 provinces.
- Establishment of inter-agency National Coordinating Council on Disability (NCCD, a predecessor of NCD), national Vietnam Federation for Disabilities and over 10 disabled people organizations.

Training curriculum and training of trainers in: barrier-free access designs, social work with people with disabilities, occupational and physical therapies and vocational rehabilitation.

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