

Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS) - Conditional cash transfer - Infants and young children|Preschool-age children (Pre-SAC)

Programme: Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS)

Programme Data

Programme Description

The *Red de Protección Social* Programme (RPS) ran from 2000?2005. It was a small-scale CCT programme. Both geographical and household targeting was used for implementation in departments and municipalities with high rates of extreme poverty.

Program type

Community/sub-national

Cost

Total funding was US\$ 38 million.RPS participants received a nutrition/food security transfer equivalent to US\$ 18/month

References

WHO (2013) *Essential Nutrition Actions ? Improving maternal, newborn, infant and young child health and nutrition*, which provides a compact of WHO guidance on nutrition interventions targeting the first 1000 days of life. Part I presents the interventions currently recommended by WHO, summarizes the rationale and the evidence, and describes the actions require to implement them. Part II provides an analysis of community-based interventions aimed at improving nutrition and indicates how effective interventions can be delivered in an integrated fashion. It shows how the essential nutrition actions described in the first part have been implemented in large-scale programmes in various settings, what the outcomes have been, and to examine the evidence for attribution of changes in nutritional outcomes to programme activities. This summary of RPS is retrieved from the ENA Part II where RPS I is one of 32 large-scale community-based programs that has been reviewed in detail and evaluated.

http://www.who.int/nutrition/publications/infantfeeding/essential_nutrition_actions/en/

Implementing organisations

Funding sources

Action data

Start date

Country(ies): Nicaragua

Status: Completed

Topic: Conditional cash transfer

Target group: Infants and young children
Preschool-age children (Pre-SAC)

Age group: Children below 5 years

Delivery: Community-based

Implementation details : <p>RPS participants received a nutrition/food security transfer equivalent to US\$ 18/month upon confirmation that conditions were met. The transfer was equivalent to approximately 18% average monthly household expenditure. Conditions for receipt of the transfer included: monthly growth monitoring for children less than 24 months (every other month for children ages 2?5 years), participation in nutrition and health education sessions on topics such as breastfeeding, hygiene and feeding practices, regular vaccinations for children, and routine care for pregnant women. Antiparasitic medications and iron supplements were also provided.</p>

Coverage level (%): 165 000 persons (approximately 3 % of the population)

Outcome indicator(s): <p>Height-for-age z-score (HAZ)</p><p>Weight-for-age z-score (WAZ)</p>

Post-intervention: An increase in HAZ of 0.17 was reported for beneficiary children and stunting decreased in RPS

versus control groups by 5.5 ppt. A significant change in underweight was also reported; it decreased in RPS areas (13.7% to 9.8%) while it increased in control areas (14.3% to 16.6%).

Outcome reported by Vulnerable groups
social determinants:

Typical problems **Solutions**

Other actions from same programme

Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS) - Growth monitoring and promotion - Infants and young children|Preschool-age children (Pre-SAC)

Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS) - Breastfeeding promotion and/or counselling - Lactating women (LW)|Pregnant women (PW)

Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS) - Complementary feeding promotion and/or counselling - Infants and young children

Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS) - Promotion of improved hygiene practices including handwashing - Women of reproductive age (WRA)

Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS) - Iron supplementation - Infants and young children|Preschool-age children (Pre-SAC)

Red de Proteccion Social Program (RPS) - Nutrition education - Women of reproductive age (WRA)