



ASSISTANT ADMINISTRATOR

Dr. Ariel Pablos-Méndez was appointed by President Barack Obama to lead the Global Health Bureau at USAID, the premier agency in international development. USAID's vision, guided by the US Global Health Initiative, aims to end preventable child and maternal deaths, catalyze an AIDS-free generation and protect communities from infectious threats with approaches such as fostering country ownership, women's empowerment and strengthening health systems in low-income countries.

Dr. Pablos-Méndez began his public health career at Columbia University working on the emergence of multi-drug resistant tuberculosis in New York City in 1991; in 1997 he led the Global Surveillance Project on Anti-Tuberculosis Drug Resistance at the World Health Organization (WHO). He also served as Director of Knowledge Management at WHO in Geneva from 2004 to 2007, working to bridge the know-do gap in public health and promoting e-Health in the developing world. In 2007, he returned to the Rockefeller Foundation as Managing Director, where he was a program officer from 1998 to 2004 spearheading public-private partnerships in research and development for diseases of poverty (e.g., the Global Alliance for TB Drug Development), the Foundation's strategy on AIDS treatment in Africa (2001), and the Joint Learning Initiative on Human Resources for Health. From 2007 to 2011, he developed and led the Foundation's initiative on the transformation of health systems toward universal health coverage.

Dr. Pablos-Méndez received his M.D. from the University of Guadalajara (Mexico) and his M.P.H from Columbia University (New York), where he became a Professor of Clinical Medicine and Public Health. He has over 100 publications and has served in various boards and international commissions.