Considerable progress has been made in Paraguay during the 2021 year. Key achievements have included:

- Capacity building initiatives, including in mhGAP, PFA, as well as the diagnosis and treatment of common mental health conditions;
- Implementation of activities to advance mental health policy, advocacy, and human rights;
- A series of virtual conferences for decision-makers, directors, as well as managers of general and mental health services to promote public mental health vision and strategy;
- Setting up and delivering an advanced Course on Public Mental Health aimed at Regional Mental Health Coordinators and other service managers;
- Creation of a framework to monitor and evaluate Paraguay’s Special Initiative for Mental Health workplan, in collaboration with University of Washington’s Global Health team;
- Establishing a crisis hotline to provide emergency MHPSS tele-services to people in need; and,
- Setting up thematic working groups within the Commission for Reform of the Mental Health System to work on different aspects of the Special Initiative for Mental Health Plan, including the new Mental Health Policy and Plan, as well as sector-specific plans for services and the management of human resources.

In the year 2022, Paraguay will continue to focus on implementation, with future activities to include:

- Opening up ‘pilot sites’ for community based mental health services;
- Scaling-up of mhGAP across primary health care facilities, as well as reinforcing secondary health care services (i.e., dedicated beds and services for mental health care, community mental health hubs/centres, supportive housing);
- Rolling-out a Spanish translation of the QualityRights eLearning programme;
- Continuing to advocate for the rights of persons living with mental health conditions and psychosocial disabilities, by empowering persons with lived experience, as well as their caregivers;
- Establishing plans, norms, and guidelines to guide the implementation of Mental Health System Reform in the years to come; and,
- Developing a mental health financing system to allow for government to sustainably continue funding mental health activities.