



Anny is 17 years old and mother of 2 children. She married at 14 and has just adopted a contraceptive method to allow these children to grow up healthy

UNFPA in the Democratic Republic of Congo

Delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled

UNFPA with the support of partners implemented actions relating to the improvement of reproductive maternal and new born health, the reproductive health of adolescents and young people, the fight against GBV and strengthening demographic intelligence with a view to capturing the demographic dividend.

Field presence

138 Staffs
10 Field offices



KEY PROGRAMMING AREA

- REPRODUCTIVE MATERNAL AND NEONATAL HEALTH
- FAMILY PLANNING
- ADOLESCENT AND YOUTH
- GENDER BASED VIOLENCE
- POLICIES AND DEMOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE
- EMMERGENCY PREPARADNESS AND RESPONSES

Through UNFPA support in 2019 :

- 2.6 Million modern contraceptives users
- 1,2 Million deliveries assisted by skilled personnel (Midwifery program)
- 14,377 survivors of GBV assisted (Medical and psychosocial)
- 6 Million adolescents received information on early pregnancies and STIs/HIV

\$44,3 Million

In resources used in FY 2019

52 Implementing Partners (67% NGOs)

UN Joint programmes

UNDP, WFP, FAO, UNESCO, WHO, UNAIDS

Since 1978, UNFPA has been working in the DRC. 2020 marks the beginning of the 5th cooperation program. This program, covers the period from 2020 to 2024, and is aligned to the national strategic development plan and UNSDCF. The programme will contribute to the achievement of the three UNFPA transformative results, while utilizing a human rights-based approach, with a focus on gender equality. The 4TH Country Programme helped improve access to reproductive maternal and newborn, adolescent and youth health services. It has also improved access to quality family planning services, promoted gender equality and reproductive rights, and strengthened the judicious production and use of population data to drive development actions.



REPRODUCTIVE MATERNAL AND NEONATAL HEALTH

With UNFPA support, Contraceptive Prevalence Rate has improved from 8% to 18%, health providers had their capacities strengthened in Emergency Obstetric and Newborn Care. At the end of the programme, the number of maternal death averted have been averted 2453. Moreover, interventions were scaled up to restore dignity, smiles and hope to women suffering from obstetric fistula. In the new Country Programme UNFPA will supported the reparation of more than 10 000 women in various health facilities spread across the 26 provinces. At the end of the programme all provinces will also have capacity to repair obstetric fistula in RDC. 7 additional provinces will be covered with midwifery training institutions with midwifery tutors and student mentors on competency based approach including the revision and vulgarisation of a new midwifery training curriculum which integrates minimum initial service package for reproductive health in humanitarian settings. Nurses will be converted to midwives through the Ministry of Health reconversion programme to increase quality and coverage of midwifery services.



FAMILY PLANNING

UNFPA provided support to National and subnational health systems to provide high-quality family planning services. UNFPA is supporting the Ministry of Health and key NGOs partners to recruit 10 million new adherents to family planning (including 500,000 in humanitarian settings) in the new Country Programme. By 2024 the number of unintended pregnancies averted with the contribution of UNFPA will increased from 603 000 to 750 000. UNFPA provided technical assistance and financial support to the Ministry of Health in the process of strengthening the supply chain by improving the logistics management information system. UNFPA contributed to operationalize of logistics management information system (LMIS) that contributes to monitoring stocks at the regional warehouse level. Family Planning is being integrated along food security in partnership with WFP and FAO, and is integrated to climate change and deforestation projects to reduce deforestation through the Central Africa Forest Initiative.



ADOLESCENT AND YOUTH

UNFPA investment is through two flagship programmes: KITUMAINI (in development areas) and TUZIKILIZANE (in conflicts areas) INITIATIVES. KITUMAINI is implemented jointly with UNESCO and is an adolescent girls human capital project which includes comprehensive sexuality education for adolescents and young people works in and out of schools, entrepreneurship, leadership skills and access to sexual and reproductive health services. Though this strategy 82 000 adolescents and youth are receiving comprehensive sexuality and reproductive health information. To achieve its objectives, the KITUMAINI Initiative has contributed to the integration of the «National Family Life Education Program» into the teaching curriculum of secondary schools and vocational training centers. UNFPA supported the integration of adolescent- friendly health services in health facilities located near schools where the National Family Life Education Programme was integrated into the teaching curriculum. Moreover, 6 000 000 adolescents and youth (in school and out of school) will be enrolled to use high quality reproductive health services. TUZIKILIZANE is a youth peace security project jointly implemented with WFP, FAO, UNESCO on social cohesion and pacific cohabitation



GENDER BASED VIOLENCE

UNFPA chairs the GBV sub- cluster that counts at least 45 active members including national and international NGOs, UN agencies and governmental structures and has 7 sub-national presences in humanitarian hubs. UNFPA

promotes the multi-sectorial model for case management of survivors of gender based violence into a “one-shop” where all services are available (One-Stop-Center). UNFPA is also the lead for Protection from sexual exploitation and abuses and accountability to affected population.

With the support of the European Commission (ECHO), the Women Refugee Commission and the GBV AoR, UNFPA has led a process for the development of a national road map for the global initiative on the Call to Action on the protection from GBV in emergencies. UNFPA has accompanied the Ministry in charge of Gender in ensuring the availability of quality and data measuring the incidence of gender based violence. UNFPA contributed to provide care to 30% of the victims of GBV in DRC. At the end of 2024, UNFPA will contribute in the prevention of GBV and child marriage. decreased of the percentage of women and girl aged 15 and + subject to sexual violence from 38 to 30. A new area of intervention for the new CPD is Domestic Violence (Intimate Partner Violence)



POLICIES AND DEMOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE

UNFPA Support the government in the process of finalizing the National Strategic Development Plan by integrating UNFPA mandate, including the demographic dividend as one of the country's development levers. UNFPA Support technically and financially the government for the realization of census cartography and geo-referenced data collection. National capacity was strengthened for the production and use of geo-referenced census data. Technical assistance from UNFPA provided satellite images better photo interpretation of sites, strengthened the technical capacities. As part of the support to the vital statistics registration and vital statistics reform process initiated by the Congolese Government, UNFPA in member of the consortium which conducted the vital statistics registration and vital statistics reform process. In this intervention UNFPA and his partners produces birth certificates for over 2,400 000 children

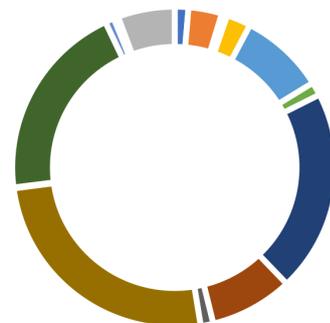


EMMERGENCY PREPARDNESS AND RESPONSES

UNFPA has provided support in various fields which allows respect for sexual and reproductive health rights and respect for human dignity. In the fight against Ebola, UNFPA has strengthened capacities in the prevention of infections in maternity hospitals in order to protect the health of the mother, the newborn and health workers. UNFPA timely and successfully implemented the largest CERF UF project for women and girls which covered maternal health, family planning and prevention and response to GBV, HIV AIDS and STIs in hard to reach humanitarian settings (\$7.18 M in seven months). In this context, with the innovative strategy of the Humanitarian Midwife with tens of midwives deployed in 6 provinces to cover the enormous needs in a context of difficult accessibility. In this intervention, 23,810 women benefited from births attended by skilled personnel, and 24,993 new women joined modern contraceptive methods.



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