

PROJECT OVERVIEW

Emergency Reproductive Health Services and Provision of Gender-Based Violence Services for IDP and Host Communities

PROJECT GOAL

To improve access to sexual and reproductive health services, adolescent sexual reproductive health and rights services, and gender-based violence services among crisis-affected populations, particularly women and girls, in Jonglei State and Mingkaman, South Sudan.

South Sudan continues to face complex humanitarian crises resulting from regional and internal conflict, limited health and agriculture resources and extreme weather conditions. In 2021, approximately 8.3 million people in South Sudan were estimated to be in need of humanitarian assistance. Protracted regional conflict and instability have exacerbated the health context as large numbers of returnees and internally displaced persons (IDPs) have settled in South Sudan counties proximal to the DRC and Uganda borders, causing greater resource constraints in host communities.

Through the provision and referral of emergency obstetric care in supported health facilities and reproductive health clinics, the UNFPA-funded project seeks to achieve improved access to sexual and reproductive health and the provision of gender-based violence (GBV) services among crisis-affected populations in Jonglei State and Mingkaman IDP camp. Women and girls are also empowered through trainings on income-generating activities at Women and Girl Friendly Spaces. In 2019, IMA World Health began implementing the UNFPA-funded Support of Provision of Reproductive Health and Gender-Based Services in Bor State Hospital and Mingkaman Protection of Civilians Sites project. In 2022, IMA World Health continued to partner with UNFPA to support and expand project activities to additional locations in Bor South, Akobo and Pibor and integrated additional livelihood and sexual exploitation and abuse (SEA) prevention activities.



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The project has provided services through mobile clinics and health outreach activities that enabled delivery of GBV support in emergencies as well as provided youth with integrated youth-friendly sexual and reproductive health education.

Since 2008, IMA World Health has been working with South Sudan's nascent government ministries, international and national partners, and other health organizations to strengthen the health system's capacity to deliver high-quality essential health care services, implement community-based HIV/AIDS prevention interventions, and improve maternal, neonatal and child health outcomes.

EXPECTED RESULTS

- **81,555 pregnant women** provided with health education
- 232,983 people reached with GBV messages
- 11,937 people provided with services for sexually transmitted infections
- **6,275 newborns** provided with the bacille Calmette-Guérin (BCG) vaccine at birth to prevent tuberculosis
- **78,721 people** supported with sexual and reproductive health in emergency (SRHiE) services



The Corus Effect

Founded in 1960, IMA World Health is a leading public health organization operating in some of the world's most fragile settings. Through partnerships with change agents at the local and national level, our work centers on four strategic pillars: global health security, health systems strengthening, social and behavior change, and integrated primary health care support and delivery.

IMA World Health is part of Corus International, an ensemble of global leaders in international development and humanitarian assistance. In addition to IMA World Health, the Corus family of organizations includes global non-governmental organization Lutheran World Relief, U.K.-based technology for development company CGA Technologies, impact investing group Ground Up Investing, and direct trade company Farmers Market Brands.

We operate as permanent partners, integrating expertise, disciplines, approaches and resources to overcome global health challenges, develop productive and stable economies, improve resilience in the face of climate change, and respond to natural disasters and humanitarian crises.



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