

About IMA

IMPROVING HEALTH CARE FOR MILLIONS OF PEOPLE AROUND THE WORLD EACH YEAR

MISSION

To build healthier communities by collaborating with key partners to serve vulnerable people.

OVERVIEW

IMA World Health (IMA) is a technical public health and development organization, dedicated to the values of its faith-based roots. Founded in 1960 as a joint health initiative of six mainline Protestant relief and development agencies, IMA currently works in partnership with its 11 Member organizations, local and international partners, local faith-based organizations, governments, foundations, and the private sector to advance health in some of the most challenging environments in the developing world. IMA is headquartered in Washington, DC and has offices in New Windsor, Maryland, the Democratic Republic of the Congo, Haiti, Kenya, South Sudan, Indonesia and Tanzania.

KEY PROJECTS

ACCESS TO PRIMARY HEALTH CARE (ASSP) DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF THE CONGO

DONOR: UKAID

Using a health systems strengthening approach, the ASSP project collaborates with the Ministry of Health (MOH) at all levels of service delivery, including the national and provincial levels and with focused support to health zone, health facility and community levels. IMA and its partners ensure that more than 75% of the project resources are concentrated within the health zones for service delivery, empowerment, accountability and capacity building of local community service organizations, partners and MOH representatives.

USHINDI PROJECT

DONOR: USAID

With support from USAID, IMA works in partnership with the Ministry of Health, several national/international NGOs as well as community and women's groups in Eastern DR Congo to provide a holistic approach encompassing medical, psychosocial, legal, and economic interventions to support survivors and those affected by sexual and gender based violence. Successes, as of March 2015, include 23,500 survivors counseled for psychosocial support and 14,031 survivors receiving medical support at the health center level.



IMA World Health's (IMA) vision is simple: Health, Healing and Well-Being for All.

RAPID RESULTS HEALTH PROJECT (RRHP) SOUTH SUDAN

DONOR: MINISTRY OF HEALTH - REPUBLIC OF SOUTH SUDAN
WORLD BANK

RRHP is delivered through a health systems strengthening approach in partnership with the Ministry of Health - Republic of South Sudan and 12 international and local partners to meet the health care needs of all 3.3 million persons living in Jonglei and Upper Nile states. Project efforts were affected by the conflict that erupted in December 2013; however, support to addressing health services continues.

Health Service Delivery: Ensuring the delivery of primary health care services at 284 health care facilities in Upper Nile and Jonglei states.

Health Systems Strengthening: Strengthening the capacity of the County Health Departments (CHDs) in 24 counties across both states.

Health Promotion: Prioritizing life-saving preventative measures such as vaccinations, antenatal care, provision of Vitamin A, distribution of long-lasting insecticide treated nets (LLINs), and HIV/AIDS screening and prevention. Also prioritized are improving service coverage for children under five and increasing the access to assisted delivery and basic emergency obstetric care and neonatal services for mothers.

HEALTH SERVICE DELIVERY • SOUTH SUDAN

DONOR: UNITED STATES AGENCY FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
OFFICE OF FOREIGN DISASTER ASSISTANCE (OFDA)

Beginning in April 2014 and with funding from USAID's Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance, IMA and its partners are providing basic primary health care services, as well as emergency health services to serve a target population of 210,000 IDPs in Bor (Jonglei) and Malakal (Upper Nile) counties.

In September 2014 this project's mandate expanded to include support for the integrated management of malnutrition among the most vulnerable populations in Ayod, Pigi, and Duk counties in Jonglei State.

ENVISION • HAITI/TANZANIA

Donor: USAID/RTI International

The Haiti NTD Control Program (HNTDCP) is a joint effort between the Ministry of Health and Population (MSPP) and the Ministry of Education (MENFP) to eliminate LF and control STH infection. IMA has been working closely with the HNTDCP to build its capacity to implement mass drug administration (MDA) and conduct monitoring and evaluation of program activities. IMA leads collaboration with the HNTDCP for MDA of diethylcarbamazine (DEC) and Albendazole to prevent LF and control STH, respectively. IMA support has helped the HNTDCP move closer to its goal of LF elimination by 2020.

The Tanzania NTD Control Program (TZNTDCP) is led by the Ministry of Health and Social Welfare (MOHSW) through the NTD Secretariat in coordination with several national and international partners. IMA has been working with the TZNTDCP with USAID/RTI support since 2010, and with ENVISION funding since 2011.

CERVICAL CANCER • TANZANIA

DONORS: IZUMI FOUNDATION, AMERICAN BAPTIST CHURCHES (ABC),
WEEK OF COMPASSION, US CENTERS FOR DISEASE CONTROL AND
PREVENTION

IMA is working to prevent and treat cervical cancer in Tanzania; specifically promoting early detection. Targeting an area with significant need, IMA selected the northern Mara region to address cervical cancer where HIV rates rose from 3.5% in 2003-2004 to 5.2% in 2012-2013.

Program objectives include:

- Develop materials and conduct community awareness activities on the importance of screening and early detection
- Train health workers on proper screening techniques
- Provide essential equipment and screening supplies to partner facilities
- Conduct cervical cancer screenings using the visual inspection with acetic acid (VIA) approach and provide cryotherapy treatment on the same day, as well as breast cancer screenings
- Provide referrals and counseling as necessary

CHILDHOOD STUNTING • INDONESIA

DONOR: MILLENNIUM CHALLENGE CORPORATION/MILLENNIUM
CHALLENGE ACCOUNT - INDONESIA

IMA is designing and implementing the NNCC using a combination of national mass media, local media and interpersonal communications approaches in 11 provinces that have been identified as most affected by stunting (West and East Java, West and East Nusa Tenggara, Gorontalo, Maluku, North and West Sulawesi, West and Central Kalimantan, and South Sumatra).

CAPACITYPLUS • GLOBAL

DONOR: USAID

IMA leads CapacityPlus' efforts to develop and strengthen faith-based organizations (FBOs) in managing their human resources for health. In Africa, FBOs play a significant role in the health system; they own and operate an estimated 30-70% of health care facilities, which serve mostly remote and rural areas. FBOs also train a significant portion of health workers, especially nurses and midwives, through in-service and pre-service training. Via technical support to the Africa Christian Health Associations Platform (ACHAP), a network organization of 26 Christian Health Associations (CHAs), CapacityPlus strengthens the capacity of the faith-based health care service delivery community by sharing information and human resource expertise among ACHAP members as well as the larger community. CapacityPlus has also worked in selected countries to address context-specific challenges in appropriately managing human resources for health among faith-based partners.

SERMON GUIDES • GLOBAL

DONOR: USAID AND IMA MEMBER AGENCIES

Using Christian and Muslim scriptures and pairing them with appropriate evidence-based public health messages, IMA's Health and Development Sermon Guides empower faith leaders to promote healthy decisions and behaviors in their congregations and communities. Each guide is written with local customs in mind and represent a unique collaboration between the Ministries of Health, health experts, faith leaders and other key stakeholders.

AIDSFREE • GLOBAL

DONOR: USAID

Funded by USAID and led by JSI, the Strengthening High Impact Interventions for an AIDS-Free Generation (AIDSFree) Project is leading efforts in providing global technical leadership, knowledge management, and capacity development support to strengthen the technical competence and capacity of host governments and civil society in implementing evidence-based HIV and AIDS programs. IMA's role is to strengthen community systems for health behavioral change through the influential faith based fabric and to build FBOs capacity as HIV service delivery providers, for improved HIV/AIDS/TB outcomes.

