

UNFPA Supplies Overview

UNFPA's mission is to deliver a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person's potential is fulfilled. UNFPA Supplies is UNFPA's flagship programme that helps countries build stronger health systems and widen access to a reliable supply of contraceptives and life-saving medicines for maternal health.

UNFPA Supplies focuses on 46 low-income countries with high maternal mortality, low contraceptive use growing unmet need for family planning, and, in half of the cases, humanitarian situations. Established in 2007, the programme has mobilized over \$1 billion.

Equality for Women & Girls

Gender equality is a human right. Women and girls' control over their sexual and reproductive lives is central to their ability to shape their futures to: complete their education, join the labour force and secure earnings for themselves and their families.

Yet many women cannot freely decide the number, spacing or timing of their children. Nearly 225 million women in developing countries lack access to modern contraceptives.

UNFPA Supplies is one of the largest procurers and suppliers of modern contraceptives in the world, supporting 25M+ women and girls on average. The programme reaches women and girls in countries with high unmet need for family planning and high rates of maternal mortality. Reducing unintended pregnancies significantly contributes to better maternal, newborn, and child health.

UNFPA Supplies works through in-country partnerships to ensure reproductive health supplies, both contraceptives and life-saving maternal health medications, reach the 'last mile', so that women and girls in hard-to-reach places receive needed information and services.

All 46 implementing countries in the UNFPA Supplies programme are among the 69 focus countries of FP2020, the global partnership for expanding access to contraception to an additional 120 million women and girls in the poorest countries of the world by 2020.



Key Facts & Figures



UNINTENDED PREGNANCIES

In 2012, an estimated 85 million women in developing countries had an unintended pregnancy.



PREGNANCY-RELATED COMPLICATIONS

Every 2 minutes, a woman dies while giving birth or dies from pregnancy-related complications.

Around 1.3 million babies die each year from complications at birth.



INVESTING IN COMMUNITIES

When women work, they invest 90 per cent of their income back into their families, compared with 35 per cent for men. Providing pathways for women and girls to control their futures positively impacts their lives, their families and communities.



PROVIDING CONTRACEPTIVE ACCESS

It only takes \$11 to provide a woman with access to contraceptives for a year.

In 2015 alone, support from UNFPA Supplies helped some 18 million women in more than 46 countries receive access to modern contraceptives and reproductive health services.

"I get to make my own decisions."

- Thong, Lao People's Democratic Republic