IPPF

At a Glance

Our key achievements in 2023



Who we are

The International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) is a global healthcare provider and a leading advocate of sexual and reproductive health and rights for all. We are a worldwide Federation of national organizations working with and for communities and individuals in more than 140 countries.



Center Care on People

Member Associations were the sole national civil society provider of SRH services in 54 countries and the main provider in a further 19 countries

85% poor and marginalised 12.5m in humanitarian settings

28.0m aged 10-24

71.4m **Clients**



17.5m **Couple Years of Protection** 222.4m

3.6m

gender-based violence services

5.4m abortion services

23.3m **HIV** services

SRH services delivered

29.1m STI/RTI services

8.2m

pregnancies averted

\$519.4m

Nurture our Federation

Widening our footprint

of countries with the highest unmet need for contraception or lowest **Human Development** Index host an IPPF MA

Strengthening youth leadership

of Member Associations have at least one young governing body

Modernising systems

of MAs have Clinic Management Information Systems, including client-based electronic health records, in 80% or more of their static clinics

Mobilising resources and securing sustainability

through social enterprise

\$120.9m

income generated by IPPF Secretariat

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IPPF's impact in 2023

2.5m

unsafe abortions averted

9.4m

total disability adjusted life years (DALYs) averted saved in direct healthcare costs

Move the Sexuality Agenda

Sexual and Gender Rights

Around the world, opposition groups are stepping up coordinated attempts to threaten sexual and reproductive health and rights and gender equality, shifting the narrative away from health care, rights and facts towards misinformation.

In April 2024, **Uganda's** Constitutional Court upheld one of the strictest anti-LGBTIQ+ laws in the world. Same-sex relations were already illegal in Uganda, but under the highly controversial Anti-Homosexuality Act of 2023, anyone convicted of homosexuality now faces a sentence of up to life imprisonment.

Repressive laws are also proposed in countries including Kenya, Democratic Republic of Congo, Burkina Faso and Ghana. Even without repressive new laws passing, these attempts impact the lives of marginalised and excluded groups, especially LGBTIQ+ people, including increased reports of physical attacks and stigmatization, thus limiting their ability to access services.

But IPPF is fighting back.

Parliament in the **Cook Islands** overturned legislation that criminalized same-sex relations. Advocacy by the Cook Islands Family Welfare Association, including drafting a formal submission on decriminalization to the Crown Law Office, contributed significantly to this landmark move.

In **Mauritius**, the Supreme Court decriminalized same-sex relations in 2023, ruling that the laws banning gay sex were unconstitutional. Mauritius Family Planning and Welfare Association collaborated with NGOs which brought the successful lawsuit, and created a platform to amplify voices of LGBTIQ+ groups.

Colombia



Decriminalization of Abortion

Since the decriminalisation of abortion by Colombia's Supreme Court in February 2022, Profamilia Colombia has continued to advocate for abortion to be integrated into Colombia's health care system, and to fight against efforts to roll back progress on abortion rights.

The Ministry of Health Resolution 051 guarantees abortion services for migrant women in Colombia and recognizes the right to abortion as an essential and urgent service. It also eliminates co-payments and fees in medical centres, and states that people under 14 years of age can make their own decision to have an abortion without requiring their parents' permission. Profamilia contributed to the draft and pushed for the adoption of Ministry of Health Resolution 051 which was successful in 2023. Resistance to the ruling is strong and Profamilia is working to prevent rollback of the gains made.

A proposed bill to recognise life from conception, which was put forward by anti-abortion groups, failed to become law in January 2023. Profamilia provided technical evidence and information against this bill and engaged with supportive politicians.

Despite these successes, barriers to accessing abortion care remain, including from health professionals.

Profamilia continues to work tirelessly to ensure that the right to abortion is fully realised in practice.

115



Policy and/or legislative changes in support or defence of sexual and reproductive health and rights

48

Campaigns conducted across IPPF

Advocacy wins and campaigns focused on key topics including



Access to sexual and reproductive health services



Preventing sexual and gender-based violence



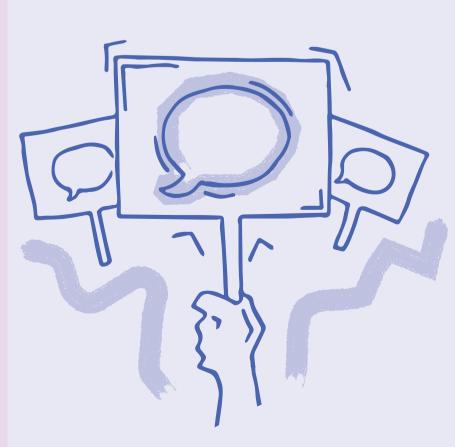
Promoting gender equality



Access to safe abortion



Education and services to young people



Solidarity for Change

Bolivia



Take Action, Stop the Violence

In collaboration with other civil society organisations in Bolivia, including Oxfam and Coordinadora de la Mujer, Colectivo Rebeldía has been running the 'ACTÚA Detén la Violencia' (Take Action, Stop the Violence) campaign since 2017. The campaign, which is youth-led and youth-focused, aims to prevent sexual and gender-based violence through transforming social norms and addressing the issue of masculinity.

Bolivia has the highest rate of violence against women across Latin America and the Caribbean, and the campaign seeks to tackle the 'macho' culture that underpins this. A key campaign objective is to counter acceptance of intimate partner violence, and indifference when violence occurs. Comprehensive sexuality education (CSE) is a central focus for the campaign. As part of the campaign, Colectivo Rebeldía coordinated participatory research, 'Educar par Liberar' (Educating to Liberate), which aimed to gather and share the perspectives of young people on CSE – surfacing youth–centred narratives that are focused on their realities, feeling and beliefs.

ACTUA Detén la Violencia uses social media, videos and interactive training materials to spread its key messages, reaching almost 3 million people online plus more people through events.

India



Race to Erase Cervical Cancer

Cervical cancer kills 77,000 women in India each year.

Although it is largely preventable through screening and vaccination, it is the second largest cause of cancer deaths for women. Family Planning Association of India (FPAI) launched the 'Race to Erase Cervical Cancer' campaign in 2023 to tackle this problem through raising awareness and increasing access to cervical cancer prevention and treatment services. The campaign focuses on prevention of cervical cancer among adolescent girls and women.

FPAI's campaign aims to raise public awareness of the dangers of cervical cancer and, importantly, that it is preventable and treatable. The campaign used social media and high-profile events, including the annual Mumbai Marathon, to spread these messages and to raise funds.

The campaign's call to action points people to the services that FPAI offers to tackle cervical cancer: preventative HPV vaccination, cervical cancer screening, treatment for precancerous lesions and referral for cancer treatment following diagnosis. In 2023, FPAI helped prevent cervical cancer deaths in women and girls by providing 77,621 cervical cancer-related services.

Center Care on People Bringing Services Closer to People

In 2023, IPPF provided services to 71.2 million clients, of which 60.5 million (85 per cent of the total) were marginalised.
This reflects IPPF's focus in our Come Together strategy on widening access to sexual and reproductive health services.
IPPF is committed to reaching all populations who need services, particularly marginalized groups and young people.

MAs collect data on their clients through their clinic management information systems (CMIS). IN 2023 89 per cent of MAs had CMIS in at least 80 per cent of their static clinics, enabling them to gather accurate and meaningful data on who they serve. IPPF's Vulnerability Assessment Guide sets out the process for MAs to identify and quantify the proportion of clients who are poor and/or marginalized. It also provides the flexibility for each MA using this approach to define marginalization appropriately for its own context. Through analysing the results from Vulnerability Assessments, MAs can deepen their understanding of their client base, and can then adapt their approaches to reach more people who are under-served and in greatest need.

Member Associations know that removing barriers to travel time and costs, and offering a range of service delivery options will result in more people being able to access services. In 2023, MAs operated a total of 31,681 service delivery points, of which 2,427 were mobile clinics and 14,145 were community-based service delivery points, which allow more clients to access services closer to where they live. MA clinics also operate a 'no refusal' policy and won't turn away anyone who can't pay.

The Family Planning Association of Malawi (FPAM) reaches young people by integrating service delivery with comprehensive sexuality education (CSE). FPAM provides CSE through schools and youth clubs, highlighting where young people can access services as part of the sessions. An FPAM mobile service delivery unit located nearby then allows young people to immediately access the services they require.

Indonesian Planned Parenthood Association runs awareness sessions and provides screening services in prisons to make sure that incarcerated people have access to vital services. Family Planning Association of Nepal's Kathmandu clinic has built relationships with both the disabled community and sex workers, to ensure that these group have a trusted place to go for their sexual and reproductive health needs.

Responding to Humanitarian Crises

As a locally-led feminist humanitarian organization, IPPF MAs are delivering life-saving sexual and reproductive healthcare in humanitarian and fragile settings. In 2023, IPPF's humanitarian response expanded to 44 countries and reached over 12.5 million people (26 per cent growth compared to 2022).

Sudan

Since the start of the brutal armed conflict between the Sudan Armed Forces and the paramilitary Rapid Support Forces in April 2023, conflict-related rape and sexual violence against women and girls in Sudan has significantly increased. Sexual violence in Sudan has led to a surge in unintended pregnancies and STIs. In conflict-affected areas, shortages of supplies, lack of transportation, power and water supply, and attacks on service providers and clients have had a devastating impact on the accessibility and delivery of crucial sexual and reproductive healthcare.

staff from Sudan Family Planning Association (SFPA) staff are on the frontline, providing medical and psychological support to women, including clinical management of rape and referrals for survivors of sexual and gender-based violence. Since the start of the war, six health facilities run by SFPA have suffered unprovoked attacks that have destroyed clinics, supplies, medical files and post-abortion care units. SFPA partnered with the Ministry of Health to build and share a database of operational midwives and health facilities to help women find healthcare providers. SFPA also involved community mobilizers, religious leaders and local Imams, champions, SFPA youth network and peer educators to raise awareness on sexual and gender-based violence.



Middle East Regional Response

Since the attacks of 7 October 2023 and the escalation of violence in Gaza, IPPF has worked with the Palestinian Family Planning and Protection Association (PFPPA), to offer support, identify the sexual and reproductive health needs of women and girls in Gaza and the West Bank and plan for humanitarian support in Gaza. Despite being destroyed by an airstrike in October, PFPPA's Gaza service centre continued to operate in extreme circumstances. In the face of increasing violence in the West Bank, IPPF increased its support to keep PFPPA's static and mobile clinics operational. IPPF's humanitarian fund also supported Open Door, the Israel Family Planning Association, to offer services to displaced people in Israel.

Importantly, IPPF also developed contingency plans, including logistics and supplies, and offered psychological support to MA staff and service providers in the six countries most affected by the escalation of the conflict in the region: Palestine, Syria, Lebanon, Jordan, Egypt and Yemen.

