


A photograph of a young Black couple smiling and holding a baby. The woman has long, thick, reddish-brown braids and is wearing a black top with a red strap. The man has a colorful headband and a red tank top with a gold chain. The baby is wearing a yellow and green outfit. The background is a soft-focus outdoor setting with greenery.

INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION AFRICA REGION

The International Planned Parenthood Federation Africa Region (IPPFAR) is one of the leading providers of quality sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services in Africa, and the leading sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) advocacy voice in the region, committed to gender equality and to ensuring that women, girls and young people realize their rights and have control over their own bodies, their lives and their futures.

Headquartered in Nairobi, Kenya, IPPFAR delivers its critical mission thanks to Member Associations (MAs), youth advocates, staff, and a network of dedicated volunteers who provide high quality, youth focused and gender sensitive services to the most vulnerable youth, men and women.

IPPFAR is part of IPPF's secretariat, a global federation of national MAs which share a common vision, set of core values, and commitment to improve lives and enhance human rights. Each MA develops its own strategy to address the needs in its country. Given the rich diversity of the Federation, these strategies reflect the unique contexts of each country where IPPF is present.

A stylized map of the African continent, where the landmass is represented by a network of interconnected dots and lines, resembling a molecular or network structure. The dots are light blue and the lines are thin and light blue.

IPPFAR's work is boosted by extensive, sustained and targeted advocacy on key SRHR issues at national, regional, and global levels to safeguard universal access to SRHR for all as a fundamental right. IPPFAR does this by working closely with governments, the African Union, Regional Economic Commissions, the Pan-African Parliament, United Nations organisations, among others, to expand, champion and uphold political and financial commitments to SRHR in Africa.

WHERE WE ARE

All Member Associations (MAs) are accredited through a robust accreditation system based on a formalized peer review process which ensures that they meet and comply with 49 essential membership standards. Compliance to these standards is continuously monitored, and an in-depth accreditation review process takes place every five years.



THE INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION IN NUMBERS

1 REGIONAL OFFICE

1 LIAISON OFFICE TO THE AFRICAN UNION

33 LOCALLY-OWNED MEMBER ASSOCIATIONS AND **6** COLLABORATIVE PARTNERS IN **39** COUNTRIES IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA

41,832 VOLUNTEERS

65,000 SERVICE DELIVERY POINTS

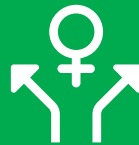
OUR ACHIEVEMENTS

In 2020, IPPFAR MAs provided a total of **105,429,716** SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS SERVICES, representing close to half of the total number of SRHR services delivered by IPPF that year.



56,670,238

SERVICES LINKED TO ENSURING ACCESS TO METHODS OF MODERN CONTRACEPTION



1,783,523

SERVICES LINKED TO SAFE ABORTION, INCLUDING POST-ABORTION CARE



1,939,051

SERVICES THAT ADDRESS AND RESPOND TO CASES OF SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (SGBV)

Women received **89%** of the services provided, while young people accounted for **55%** of the total SRHR services provided. Notably, and despite the challenging COVID-19 circumstances, IPPFAR MAs provided **14.6 million** couple-years of protection in 2020 - its highest volume ever achieved.

OUR MISSION

TO LEAD A LOCALLY OWNED GLOBALLY CONNECTED CIVIL SOCIETY MOVEMENT THAT PROVIDES AND ENABLES SERVICES AND CHAMPIONS SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS FOR ALL, ESPECIALLY THE UNDER-SERVED.

OUR VISION

ALL PEOPLE ARE FREE TO MAKE CHOICES ABOUT THEIR SEXUALITY AND WELL-BEING, IN A WORLD WITHOUT DISCRIMINATION.

SUB-SAHARAN AFRICAN GOVERNMENTS RESPECT, PROTECT AND FULFILL SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS AND GENDER EQUALITY.

RESULTS 2020

14 policy initiatives and/or legislative changes for or to uphold SRHR and gender equality to which IPPFAR advocacy contributed.

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EMPOWERMENT OF CITIZENS IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA WITH REGARD TO THEIR SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH AND RIGHTS.

RESULTS 2020

1,812,477 youth completed a quality-controlled Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) programme.

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OUTCOMES

A HIGH-PERFORMING, UNITED, RESPONSIBLE AND ACCOUNTABLE FEDERATION.

RESULTS 2020

\$49,884,144 generated locally by our MAs receiving unrestricted grants.

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PROVISION OF QUALITY SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES FOR VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA.

RESULTS 2020

55,619,351 SRH services provided; 674,360 of which were in humanitarian settings.

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OUR VALUES

SOCIAL INCLUSION

VOLUNTERISM

DIVERSITY

PASSION

ACCOUNTABILITY

WHAT WE DO



DEVELOPING STRONG REGIONAL POLICY INSTRUMENTS

In 2020 the IPPFAR Sub Office to the African Union succeeded in ensuring the expansion of the [Campaign for Accelerated Reduction of Maternal Mortality in Africa \(CARMMA\)](#) scorecard so as to include the Maputo Plan of Action (MPoA) indicators. The CARMMA accountability mechanism compels member states to report on the implementation of the MPoA, a flagship Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights policy instrument at the regional level.

ADVOCACY

IPPFAR advocates for everyone's right to Sexual and Reproductive Health (SRH) and for gender equality at global, regional, national and sub-national levels to ensure that governments respect, protect and fulfil sexual and reproductive health and rights and gender equality. We focus on decision-makers who have the power to make the changes we want to see, including heads of state, government ministers, parliamentarians, civil servants and local leaders. We base our advocacy on evidence and use a range of different advocacy methods to create a convincing case for change.



INTEGRATED SERVICE DELIVERY

The cornerstone of our service delivery - the integrated package of essential sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) services (IPES) – is proven by the World Health Organization (WHO) to deliver high impact services in resource-poor settings. When combined, these services can transform the lives of poor and vulnerable populations, particularly women and girls. Our approach focuses on both expanding supply and increasing demand for services through community-based programmes to improve access to services by hard-to-reach communities. The IPES consists of 8 essential services: counselling; contraception; safe abortion care; prenatal care; gynaecology; care for sexually transmitted infections (STIs), Reproductive Tract Infections and HIV; and care for survivors of gender-based violence.

PROVISION OF SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH SERVICES IN MALI

Between 2018 and 2020, thanks to funding from Global Affairs Canada (GAC) to the ['She Decides' project](#), IPPF and its local partners in 8 countries, including Mali and Malawi, expanded their reach and impact in advancing SRHR, particularly for those who are most marginalized and structurally excluded. During the project period, partners provided close to **17 SRH services** including STI screenings, HIV testing, safe abortions, and counselling and better access to methods of modern contraception.

INCREASING KNOWLEDGE ON AND UPTAKE OF SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH (SRH) AMONGST YOUNG PEOPLE IN TOGO

In 2020, the Association Togolaise pour le Bien-Être Familial (ATBEF) was established as a Centre of Excellence on Youth Centred Programming. Acting as a mentor and drawing on its own good practice, the ATBEF Centre of Excellence piloted and implemented youth-focused and scalable programmes and strategies, providing in its first year **52,491 SRH services** to young people and adolescents, **67%** of them young women and girls. Adapting to today's changing digital environment, it also launched in May 2020 a mobile app, ['InfoAdoJeunes'](#), offering information and free consultations, and set up a free online training platform on CSE.

YOUTH-FRIENDLY COMPREHENSIVE SEXUALITY EDUCATION (CSE)



IPPFAR is committed to supporting people to make decisions about their SRHR, and to act freely without coercion. Providing information, and in particular CSE to young people, is at the heart of this strategy. IPPFAR provides CSE sessions in schools and other settings, with Member Associations forming partnerships and making arrangements that fit local needs while ensuring a rights-based curriculum.

ADDRESSING & RESPONDING TO SEXUAL AND GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (SGBV) IN GUINEA

Thanks to funds from the Packard Foundation, and in collaboration with Amnesty International and Solidarité Suisse Guinée, IPPFAR launched a pilot project in 2021 in Guinea aimed at documenting cases of SGBV, including rape, to contribute to the medico-social support to survivors and to aid the associations that address and respond to SGBV by sensitizing populations on this subject and by advocating for the Government and local authorities to take legislative, political and judicial measures to address SGBV.



WHAT WE DO

RIGHTS-BASED APPROACH

Through advocacy and service delivery, IPPFAR's MAs work together with our network of volunteers and human rights defenders to address inequalities, discrimination, and unequal power dynamics that limit people's human rights. By placing individuals' dignity and needs at the centre of our programs, we ensure the respect, protection and fulfilment of everyone's human rights and full, free and informed choices for sexual and reproductive health.

HUMANITARIAN SUPPORT



IPPFAR's humanitarian programme focuses on three main areas: promoting localised humanitarian action; ensuring access to lifesaving sexual and reproductive health services, including safe abortion care; and responding to sexual and gender-based violence in emergencies. It is fast becoming a recognized leader in the provision through its local affiliates of sexual and reproductive healthcare in protracted and acute emergencies.

PROVIDING CARE IN HUMANITARIAN CRISES

Between 2019 and 2021, IPPFAR worked with its Member Associations in Burkina Faso, Togo and Cameroon to provide quality health care services including sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services to refugees, displaced persons and host communities suffering from the effects of humanitarian crises. Funded by the German Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development (BMZ), the project provided around **700,000** SRHR services to refugees, internally displaced persons and host communities in the 3 countries, in addition to around **400** women with capacity building and quick starting income-generating activities.

INNOVATING IN TIMES OF COVID-19 THROUGH DIGITAL HEALTH INTERVENTIONS IN NIGERIA

Between August 2020 and March 2021, IPPFAR's Member Association in Nigeria, the Planned Parenthood Federation of Nigeria (PPFN), implemented new Digital Health Interventions (DHIs) to ensure sustained SRH information and services during the COVID-19 pandemic. During that period, PPFN reached over **11 million** people with SRHR information and services through phone and social media. **Over 2 million** young people were also reached through the [Youth Connect website](#) which facilitated their access to a youth-friendly service provider. Thanks to these innovative approaches, **17,105** women received sexual and gender based violence services; and **16,636** men and **537,899** women received sexually transmitted infection services.

ENCOURAGING INNOVATION



IPPFAR's innovative approach tests new ideas to solving some of today's greatest sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) challenges, especially those linked to the COVID-19 pandemic. Innovations include reaching new target groups, introducing alternative models of service delivery, or addressing controversial issues, and typically target marginalized, vulnerable or disempowered groups. Driving innovation from the ground up, IPPFAR Member Associations (MAs) use their local knowledge to devise new interventions that respond directly to the needs of the communities they serve.



THANK YOU

We would like to thank our donors and partners thanks to whom millions of people, especially the poorest and most vulnerable, are able to realize their sexual and reproductive health and rights. Without your generosity and support, this would not be possible!

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