

# TRANSFORMING HEALTHCARE IN UGANDA

An Overview of Amref Health Africa's Work in 2022



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#### AMREF HEALTH AFRICA IN UGANDA



In 1987, Amref Health Africa founded a country office in Uganda, and as of today, the organization has been present in Uganda for 35 years.

Amref Health Africa in Uganda works in partnership with the Ministry of Health and other important stakeholders in government, the private sector, civil society, and donor community to enhance the accessibility and utilisation of highquality health services in the country.

Amref operates in 75 districts out of a total of 136 in Uganda, with a focus on several key areas, including Maternal and Child Health, HIV/TB and Malaria, Water Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH), Human Resources for Health, management of epidemics, Climate change, Health Systems Strengthening, and Research and Advocacy.

Our staff team comprises of 95 highly qualified professionals who are stationed across 11 field offices, with our head office located in Kampala district.

### **OUR VISION**

Lasting Health Change in Africa.

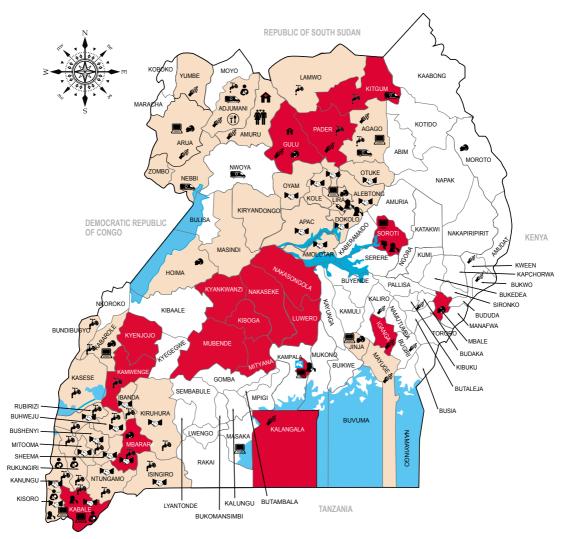
### **OUR MISSION**

To catalyse and drive community-led and people-centred health system while addressing social determinants of health.

### **OUR PROMISE**

To improve the lives of disadvantaged people in Africa through better health change.

# AMREF HEALTH AFRICA IMPLEMENTATION SITES AND PROJECT OFFICES 2021-2022



### KEY

- Districts where Amref Health Africa currently has field offices
- Districts where Amref Health Africa currently has Projects
- Accelerating Epidemic Control ins
- Rurses and Midwives e-learning Uprading Program
- Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) Alliance
- Water and Sanitation in Peri-Urban Project
- 🛰 Immunization
- 🏦 Total Health
- (T) Emergency Supplementary Feeding

#### SRHR and GBV project

- Regional Health Integration to Enhance Services in South Western Uganda (RHITES)
- Strengthening sexual reproductive & health Rights and program delivery capacity in Uganda
- ₽ Health Systems Advocacy Program
- 👌 Maternal and Child Health Project
- 🌪 Fistula Repair Project
- 🗪 Medical Specialist Outreach Project
- Cleft Lip & Palate

# **ABOUT THE AMREF UGANDA PROGRAM**

In 2023, a total of 23 projects were implemented in Uganda, spanning across the five different regions and four program areas. These program areas were WASH (Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene), RMNCAH (Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child, and Adolescent Health), Disease Control & Prevention (including Covid-19), and Human Resources for Health (HRH).







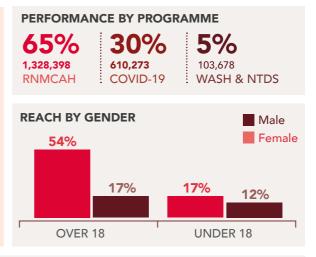


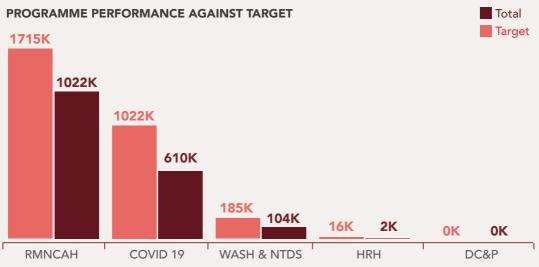


# **KEY PROGRAM ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2022**

PEOPLE REACHED **2,044,398** 

Amref Uganda provided WASH, COVID-19 prevention, HRH, & RMNCAH services to **70% of its target population** Majority of the beneficiaries (65%) were provided with SRHR services; 30% were reached through COVID prevention interventions inclusive of vaccination





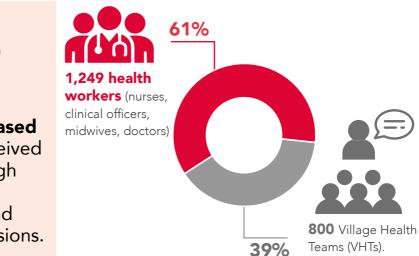
# PILLAR 1 DEVELOPING HUMAN RESOURCES FOR HEALTH

Focused on developing and sustaining Human Resources for Health (HRH) to catalyse the attainment of Universal health coverage in Uganda. HRH is one of the government health care priories and it will continue to be a strategic focus for Amref Health Africa In Uganda.



A TOTAL OF **2,049** 

facility and community-based providers received training through face-to-face, mentorship and e-learning sessions.



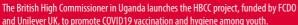
# PILLAR 2 **DEVELOPING AND DELIVERING INNOVATIVE** SUSTAINABLE HEALTH SERVICES

This pillar focuses on providing innovative solutions that increase access to and utilization of health services to Ugandans.

# **ESSENTIAL HEALTH SERVICES** HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO 2,044,398

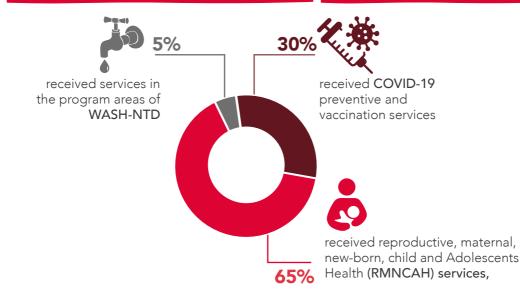
**71% 29%** 1,454,095 590,303 of the beneficiaries of the beneficiaries were women & girls were under 18 years







Teenage mothers - Beneficiaries of SRHR services under the Amref RMNCAH program



# **REPRODUCTIVE MATERNAL, NEONATAL,** CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH

1,328,398 REACHED

In the West Nile, Acholi, Eastern, and South-Western regions of Uganda, the program has successfully reached

## 77% of its target population

**39%** 523,254 of the beneficiaries were

under 18. **11% (151,705)** were children <5 years who were reached with Immunisation services.

**78%** 1,036,150 of the beneficiaries were women and girls



were reached with SRHR, nutrition and maternal health information



care services

received antenatal 14% deliveries in health facilities 10% family planning & fistula corrective surgeries

The program contributed to an increase in institutional deliveries and utilisation of Family planning services in the Eastern region of Uganda. It registered a 17% reduction in beneficiaries reached compared to the performance in 2021.





WASH & NEGLECTED TROPICAL DISEASES

103,678 REACHED

The programme reached out to 56% of its target population

0% 72.575 of the beneficiaries

got access to sanitation facilities

> got access to safely managed sanitation facilities which is in line with the global sanitation recommendations

20%

were reached with messages on proper hygiene; handwashing with soap at critical times and proper sanitation management

**68%** 

got access to basic drinking water source

### Declaration of open free defecation

The program was able to declare thirty two (32) villages in Agago open defecation free thus helping to lower the risk of contracting sanitation and water related illnesses for over 7,680 people living in these villages.



**RFACHED** The programme reached with **COVID-19** vaccination services

610,273

### 60% of its target population

**90%** of the beneficiaries were reached with COVID-19 vaccination facilities services

were reached with COVID-19 preventive messages and

were contacts of COVID-19 patients

COVID-19 preventive interventions were implemented in 37 districts of Uganda (17 in Central Uganda and 28 in Northern Uganda).

# PILLAR 3 ENABLING INVESTMENTS IN HEALTH

Amref health Africa in Uganda is contributing to this pillar through organising communities to save for health and through purchasing of health service indicators as a means of improving access to quality services and strengthening the health system respectively.



Teenage mothers receive Kokono cribs that contribute to protection of babies against malaria and hygiene based diseases.

SUPPORTED 72 VSLAs Amref has provided support for 72

Village Saving and Loan Associations in the Amuru district and West Nile Region have been empowered to raise funds & access healthcare services

**MORF THAN** 

2,226

Households



840 households in Amuru district

Members utilise the funds collected from the Village Saving and Loan Associations to cover transportation expenses to healthcare facilities, as well as medical bills and medications for situations where the government facilities have run out of stock.

Amref together with Cordaid through the Heroes program consortium are implementing results based financing (RBF) in 18 health facilities in 3 Central (Kalangala) and 15 Eastern districts (Bukwo, Kween, Namayingo and Budaka) Uganda.

The facilities are using the funds to; motivate health workers; hire staff; procure a few medical supplies; facilitate VHTs and Traditional birth attendants to refer mothers and community members for SRHR services and also motivate and as a result we have noted an increase in uptake of services in the 18 RBF facilities.



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