

Integration of Reproductive Health Programs: Getting More for Less

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The Integrated Reproductive Health (RH) Services project:

A five-year program implemented by **Pathfinder International** and the following partners:

At the international level

- John Snow Incorporated
- Center for Communication Programs, JHU
- Meridian Group International, Inc.
- American Manufacturers Export Group (AMEG)

At the local level

Health Care International (HCI)



Overall Project Objectives

- To improve health outcomes for mothers, newborns, and young children, and achieve sustainable reduced fertility in Egypt.
- To continue improvements in key indicators including fertility and maternal and neonatal mortality.
- To strengthen program planning and implementation capacities at the different levels of the health system.















Improving Quality of Care 1. Facility Upgrading and Equipping

- Renovation and equipping of clinics and hospitals
- Entire PHC facility renovated to ensure provision of quality integrated services
- OB/GYN related departments renovated in hospitals to decrease maternal and neonatal mortality



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Improving Quality of Care 2. Training

- Training of PHC and OB/GYN related hospital staff
 - Training of service providers
 - Clinical and management training
 - On the job training
- Training of RRs (outreach workers)
 - MOHP and NGO RRs trained together
 - Integrated MCH/FP/RH messages
 - Interpersonal communication training











Community Mobilization 1. Youth



Peer to Peer in local universities



Tree planting



Health education sessions



School beautification



Sports





Community Mobilization 2. Religious Leaders





Female Religious Leaders

Governorate Level Working Groups

> Local religious leaders trained on MCH/FP/RH





Community Mobilization

3. Behavior Change Communication



Puppet Shows

Media Groups

















Community Mobilization 5. Involving Men

Agricultural and Irrigation Extension Workers



Farmers





Literacy

Classes



Community Mobilization 6. Working with NGOs/CDAs



Awareness Activities



Capacity Building for CDA Boards and RRs



CDA & Clinic Meeting



Community Mobilization 7. Involving Key Officials













Sustainability

- 1. Forming/ activating facility boards
- Facility boards formed ensuring 50% community representation, including approximately 50% women



O Boards formed by election of facility and community members



PHC Units









Hospitals



Sustainability

2. Service Improvement Fund

- Service improvement funds reactivated
- Training provided to both MOHP and MOF officials on how to access funds
- Funds managed by community
- Transparency of revenue and expenditure





Achievements to Date



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- Began intervention in **11** governorates
- Working in 74 PHC units and communities and 10 hospitals in
 5 governorates
- Trained **8781** MOHP staff and community members

Category	Males	Females
MOHP staff	1107	1541
Community members	2075	4058
Total trained	3182	5599



Results Highlights

• Case load increase = 35%





Percentage of women on hospital boards (hospital staff and community members)



Percentage of women on hospital boards (community members only)





Percentage of women on clinic boards (community members only)



Diversity of occupations represented in the clinic boards





Results Highlights

Working with the community

- No. of STW attendees: 728
- No. of EWSO attendees: 727





The Key to our Success

We don't follow

We don't lead

• We work hand in hand









