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Improving Lives through Access to High-Quality Family Planning

Access to high-quality voluntary family planning enables individuals, couples, and families to improve their sexual and reproductive health, transforming their lives while contributing to their communities' economic growth and resilience. Yet more than 200 million women who want to avoid pregnancy lack access to modern contraceptive methods. This limits their ability to decide whether to have children or determine their number and spacing. Further, lack of family planning access increases risk of death or disability as a result of childbirth.

Chemonics contributes to reducing unmet family planning need through our low-cost, high-impact interventions and technical assistance in partnership with local public and private actors. In more than [60 countries in Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Caribbean](#) to date, we have delivered enough contraceptives to potentially avert 31.2 million unintended pregnancies.* It is essential that we continue to expand access to comprehensive, high-quality sexual and reproductive health and family planning services, commodities, and information down to the last mile.

Chemonics applies systems thinking to facilitate local solutions to local problems. We also optimize the ability of health systems and markets to increase access equitably and efficiently to high-quality family planning and reproductive health services, products, and information, ultimately improving health outcomes. By approaching health systems and markets holistically, we help local stakeholders to address challenges to sustainably strengthen local capacity. Chemonics brings global expertise in health systems strengthening, including private sector engagement, human resources for health, and supply chain management.

*From FY2016-2021 through the USAID Global Health Supply Chain Program-Procurement and Supply Management Project using the [Impact 2 Model](#).

FP ACHIEVEMENTS



105M

couple years of protection provided by **CONTRACEPTIVES DELIVERED BY GHSC-PSM** between FY2016 and FY2022



65%

DECREASE IN STOCKOUTS of contraceptives at service delivery points in Benin through the Global Health Supply Chain-Technical Assistance Francophone Task Order



43M

PEOPLE, INCLUDING YOUTHS, received family planning counseling services through the Advancing Universal Health Coverage Activity in Bangladesh

Our Programs

The Chemonics-led, [USAID Global Health Supply Chain Program—Procurement and Supply Management \(GHSC-PSM\)](#) project works to improve access to contraceptives and lifesaving medicines. The project's Family Planning and Reproductive Health Task Order serves as the primary vehicle through which USAID procures and provides contraceptives for its voluntary family planning programs; offers technical assistance to improve supply systems and contraceptive security in partner countries; and provides technical leadership to strengthen the global supply, increase financing, and introduce new family planning and reproductive health commodities. To date (FY2016-FY2022), the project has delivered enough contraceptives to provide more than 105 million couple-years of protection. [Our Contraceptive Security Indicators Survey](#) can assist stakeholders and countries in obtaining data and monitoring progress in support of global initiatives and in achieving the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals and country-specific family planning goals.

[Frontier Health Markets \(FHM\) Engage](#), USAID's flagship private sector health project, moves away from traditional methods of private health sector engagement and towards a market development approach. This approach focuses on strengthening the core market functions—stewardship; financing; rules, regulations, and norms; and market information—that catalyze supply and demand to scale sustainable approaches for family planning, maternal and child health, and other health products, services, and information. Led by Chemonics, Results for Development, Pathfinder International, and Zenysis, FHM-Engage's 16 local, regional, and specialized global network implementation partners are the primary mechanism through which the project works to facilitate market strengthening for improved health outcomes.

[Human Resources for Health in 2030 \(HRH2030\)](#) is the recently concluded USAID global flagship project led by Chemonics focused on enhancing the global health community's ability to build, manage, and optimize the health and care workforce, including the workforce needed to achieve global family planning goals. One of the many products developed by this project is a [gender competency framework and e-learning course for family planning providers](#), developed on behalf of USAID's Office of Population and Reproductive Health, which is designed to address gender and other biases among service providers and to support them in offering gender-sensitive and transformative services. The framework outlines six key competencies for providers to use gender-

sensitive communication, promote women's agency, support legal rights, engage men and boys as partners, facilitate positive couples' communication, and address gender-based violence. To optimize existing workforces, HRH2030 developed additional global tools and reviews to operationalize task sharing so that family planning services can be more available and accessible to communities, including the [HRH Optimization Tool for Family Planning \(HOT4FP\)](#) and a [10-country review of national family planning guidelines](#) for task sharing and self-care.

[The Global Health Supply Chain-Technical Assistance Francophone Task Order \(GHSC-TA FTO\)](#) currently works in Benin, Burkina Faso, the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC), Niger, and Togo to improve the efficiency and sustainability of national health supply chains and boost national and regional collaboration among supply chain stakeholders. The task order has [improved regional communication](#) for greater contraceptive security. Over the life of the project, the stocked-according-to-plan rates in DRC improved by 37 percent for family planning commodities, and stockouts of contraceptive commodities at service delivery points in Benin decreased by 65 percent. By expanding equitable access to family planning commodities across francophone Africa and Haiti, the task order helps to ensure all families in all communities can access the contraceptive method of their choice.

The [Advancing Universal Health Coverage \(AUHC\) Activity](#) supports the Surjer Hashi Network, a pro-poor, gender-sensitive social enterprise that has been providing quality, affordable, basic healthcare to the population of Bangladesh since 2018. This project has made enormous strides by expanding essential sexual and reproductive health services, such as offering family planning counseling services to 43 million people, including to youths aged 15-25.

[The Building a Resilient Health System project](#) supports Senegal's Ministry of Health and Social Action to make meaningful, sustainable improvements to the country's health system, focused at the central level, including the devolution of functions to the regional level. By addressing the main building blocks of the health system (governance, supply chain, human resources for health, health information systems, and health financing), the Chemonics-led project contributes to increasing availability and access to essential healthcare services, including family planning. With an emphasis on ministry-owned and -led solutions, the USAID-funded project will build the capacity of health and non-health actors to create a more accountable, affordable, accessible, and reliable health system.