

Transforming Africa's Health from within Africa

Amref Health Africa strengthens health systems and trains African health workers to respond to the continent's most critical health challenges: maternal and child health, non-communicable and infectious disease (Cancer, Diabetes, HIV/AIDS, TB, malaria, etc), access to clean water and sanitation, and surgical and clinical outreach. Our approach is community-based and makes the people we reach partners, rather than just beneficiaries. We are the largest Africa-based NGO. 97% of our staff come from the communities where we work.



Our Priorities



MATERNAL & CHILD HEALTH



INFECTIOUS & NON-COMMUNICABLE DISEASES



WATER & SANITATION



SURGICAL, DIAGNOSTIC & CLINICAL OUTREACH



GIRLS EMPOWERMENT



HEALTH WORKER TRAINING

Our Impact

IN JUST ONE YEAR WE ACHIEVED THE FOLLOWING:



9.6 million
PEOPLE REACHED WITH HEALTH SERVICES



125,000
LOCAL HEALTH WORKERS TRAINED



62%
OF HEALTH WORKERS TRAINED WERE WOMEN

Program Examples

Training Community Health Workers (CHWs) Using Mobile Phones: CHWs are often the only link to health care for millions of people in rural areas and are capable of providing simple, but life-saving interventions. We created Leap, a training program that runs on basic mobile phones, so CHWs can learn at their own pace, wherever they are, using their own mobile phones, and while continuing to provide their communities with care. Leap delivers a full curriculum through text and voice messages, and can be used as a collaboration tool between CHWs, and as a monitoring tool, allowing CHWs to record and store their patients' health information.

Ending FGM and Child Marriage: FGM is the harmful practice of partial or full removal of a girl's genitals that signifies her passage into adulthood. Ending FGM is key to ending child marriage, because once a girl is cut, she is considered a woman and is forced into marriage shortly after. We work hand-in-hand with communities to collectively abandon the practice by sensitizing them to the dangers of FGM and adopt an alternative that was designed by a Maasai community. The alternative combines traditional ceremonies such as a procession of the girls and blessings from elders, with three days of reproductive health education and empowerment to stay in school.

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