

Uganda

USAID/Uganda Family Planning Activity (FPA)

USAID/Uganda Family Planning Activity (FPA) is a five-year USAID-funded program that is implemented by Pathfinder International alongside its partners Uganda Youth and Adolescent Health Forum (UYAHF), Samasha Medical Foundation, and the Uganda Protestant Medical Bureau (UPMB). The Activity's goal is to support the Government of Uganda to increase the adoption of positive reproductive health behaviors among Ugandan women, men, and young people as well as to contribute to long-term shifts in Uganda's modern contraceptive prevalence rate (mCPR) and fertility rate by 2025 in 11 focus districts.

RESPONDING TO THE URGENT NEEDS PRESENT IN UGANDA

Fertility rate of 4.5 births per woman and the country's annual population growth rate is among the highest in the world

Uganda has 15.3% unmet need for family planning

Four in every 10 births in Uganda are unplanned

Statistics: Demographic Health Survey (UDHS 2016), Performance monitoring for Action Phase 2 Survey results(2021) national dissemination

APPROACH

- Engage multiple stakeholders across government, cultural and religious institutions, civil society, private sector, and implementing partners to strengthen leadership and coordination to address barriers to family planning uptake.
- Increase the proportion of the national health budget allocated to family planning.
- Address contraceptive stock-outs to increase access to quality voluntary family planning.
- Work with drug shops and private pharmacies in understanding areas where there are few or no health facilities.
- Shift social norms through evidence-based social and behavior change communication techniques to improve health timing and spacing of pregnancies



Photo: Lovington Kambugu

FPA's long-term objective is to ensure that Uganda attains and sustains increased contraceptive use for healthy timing and spacing of pregnancy (HTSP) and creates scalable nationwide interventions by the year 2025.

About USAID/Uganda Family Planning Activity

Dates: March 4, 2020-March 3, 2025

Budget: \$24 million

FPA PARTNER ROLES

Pathfinder International: Oversee the management of FPA, ensure quality family planning service delivery, and support District Health Teams to strengthen facility and community services

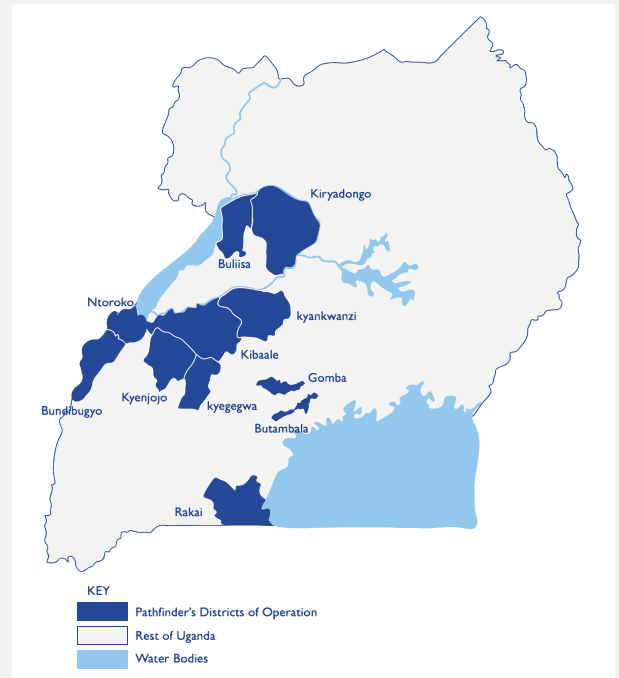
Uganda Protestant Medical Bureau: Provide quality family Planning services through private nonprofit health facilities, coordinate with faith-based service networks, and engage religious champions support family planning services.

Samasha: Support family planning supply chain system through National Medical Stores and Joint Medical stores as well as building the capacity of districts in the area of supply chain.

Uganda Youth and Adolescent Health Forum: Promote youth engagement and leadership, advocate for adolescents and youth Family Planning services, and implement innovative community-led sub-grants to mobilize, inform and refer adolescents

GEOGRAPHIC COVERAGE

Buliisa, Kiryandongo, Kibaale, Kyankwanzi, Kyegegwa, Kyenjojo, Ntoroko, Bundibugyo, Butambala, Gomba, and Rakai



FPA IMPACT



626,847

Family planning uptake to date (Jan 2020-June 2022)



31,528

Women have received post-partum family planning



5,454

People trained in family planning service provision



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