



AT A GLANCE

Pathfinder in Côte d'Ivoire



In Côte d'Ivoire, Pathfinder and its partners are helping the Ministry of Health to improve access to quality reproductive health services.
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Introduction

In July 2016, with funding from the William and Flora Hewlett Foundation, Pathfinder began operations to advance sexual and reproductive health and rights in Côte d'Ivoire. Pathfinder has extensive experience in contraception, maternal and newborn health, and adolescent and youth sexual and reproductive health.

Pathfinder supports the Ministry of Health and Public Hygiene and Universal Health Coverage (MSHP-CMU) through its various health programs to accelerate the reduction of maternal mortality, neonatal mortality, and unwanted pregnancies in Côte d'Ivoire. Through its projects, Pathfinder has established itself as a key partner for the Ministry of Health, providing thought leadership and technical assistance. Pathfinder continues to work alongside communities, partners, and stakeholders to realize its vision of a Côte d'Ivoire where all people of reproductive age, including adolescents and young people, make informed decisions about their sexual and reproductive lives and exercise their right to comprehensive, quality sexual and reproductive care.

AREAS OF EXPERTISE

- Adolescents & Youth
- Contraception & Family Planning
- Maternal, Newborn & Child Health
- Safe & Comprehensive Health Care
- Primary Health Care
- Advocacy & Policy
- Health Systems Strengthening
- Local Capacity Strengthening
- Social & Behavior Change
- Global & Multi-country Project Leadership

IMPACT HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2024



218,338
people
counseled on
family planning



4,120
clients reached
with modern
contraception



32,504
unwanted
pregnancies
prevented



10,194
avortements
non sécurisés
évités



67,890
Couple
année de
protection

Project Highlights

Promoting Results and Outcomes through Policy and Economic Levers (PROPEL) Adapt (2022–27)

Action Against Hunger USA, Action Against Hunger France, Action Against Hunger Spain, Action Against Hunger Canada, Amref

Working with partners to strengthen policy, advocacy, financing and governance, PROPEL Adapt aims to strengthen the resilience of health systems so that countries can withstand future shocks and stressors.

It aims to improve access to health services, supplies, and information—particularly voluntary family planning and reproductive health. The project also seeks to improve integration of family planning and reproductive health with HIV/AIDS prevention, treatment, and control and maternal and child health in fragile contexts. The project works on the HDP Nexus, assessing the factors that facilitate successful transitions between meeting needs in crisis situations, recovery and longer-term preparedness. The goal is achieving universal health coverage, while prioritizing the inclusion marginalized people, promoting gender equality and empowerment of all women and girls, and supporting integration with primary health care.

Youth Champions for Climate Resilience in West Africa (YCC) (2023–24)

Chanel Foundation

Through a youth- and community-led approach, the project aims to catalyze young West African champions as leaders and innovators in strengthening resilience to climate change and advancing reproductive health. The project trains young people to conduct community dialogues by building their advocacy and leadership skills, fosters a shared understanding of climate and health risks affecting their communities, and mobilizes community resources to support climate resilience and reproductive health.

Améliorer l'accès à la santé reproductive en Côte d'Ivoire (2024–27)

The William and Flora Hewlett Foundation

The objectives of the project are to increase people's access to comprehensive reproductive health services, improve the quality of clinical services offered in targeted public health facilities, and enhance community knowledge and support for reproductive health services—with a particular focus on young people. The project's approach is to integrate information on post-partum family planning into antenatal care visits, then build the capacity of midwives and doctors to offer and apply family planning methods immediately after delivery. It covers three health zones to the north and west of Abidjan.



Family planning counseling at a health center.
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Pathfinder expands access to sexual and reproductive health services, opening the door to opportunities for women and all individuals to thrive—economically, educationally, and civically. Driven by our country-led leadership and local community partners, Pathfinder brings together a suite of services and programs that enable millions of people to choose their own paths forward.