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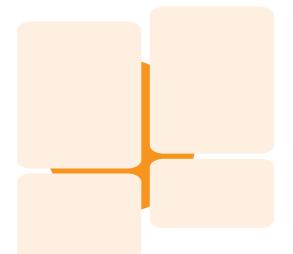
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# **Acronyms**

AMTO Association of Midwives of Togo

AV-PY Association of Volunteers for the Promotion of Youth AYSRH Adolescent and Youth Sexual and Reproductive Health

BEMONC Basic Obstetric and Neonatal Care

CEMONC Comprehensive Emergency Obstetrical and Neonatal Care

CHW Community Health Worker
CSO Civil Society Organization
CYP Couple Year Protection
DD Demographic Dividend

DIUPP Postpartum Intrauterine Device

EmONC Emergency Obstetrical and Neonatal Care

FMAFA Federation of Midwifery Associations of French-speaking Africa

FP Family Planning

GBV Gender-Based Violence

ICPD International Conference on Population and Development

ICT Information and Communication Technologies

IGA Income Generating Activities

LB Live birth

NANT National Association of Nurses of Togo

NISEDS National Institute of Statistics and Economic and Demographic

NODD National Observatory of the Demographic Dividend

OF Obstetric Fistula

OJP Officers of the Judicial Police

OYS Orange Youth Space PCU Peripheral Care Unit

PHC Population and Housing Census

PS/NAC Permanent Secretariat/National AIDS Council

RH Reproductive Health

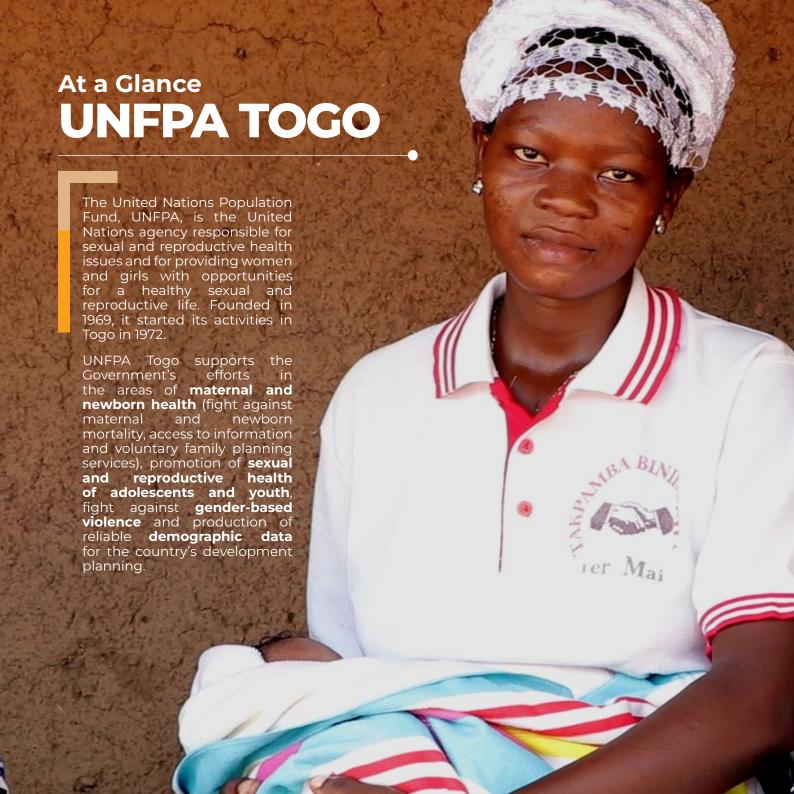
SDG Sustainable Development Goal

SMC Social Medical Center

SRH Sexual and Reproductive Health
STI Sexually Transmitted Infection

TAFW Togolese Association for Family Welfare

UNS United Nations System WHO World Health Organization





# Message from Resident Representative



The year 2022, the cruising year of the 7th country program designed for the 2019-2023 five-year period, would have kept all its promises as it was marked by important events for the Country Office in its positioning within the subregion and at the programmatic level.

Indeed, in February 2022, the Country Office successfully organized the **annual leadership meeting of the West and Central Africa region** in Lomé.

As a unique opportunity for annual strategic reflections for all 23 UNFPA offices in the subregion, the meeting favored the warming up of the partnership with Togo, in particular, thanks to the meetings that Mrs. Diene KEITA, Under-Secretary General of the United Nations and Deputy Executive Director of UNFPA, was able to have with the Togolese authorities at the highest level of the state.

The year was also marked by the importance given to the **South-South partnership** through the theme of sexual and reproductive health, specifically emergency obstetric and neonatal care and obstetric fistula (EmONC).

Indeed, thanks to the good work done so far in strengthening EmONC for the **fight against maternal mortality**, Togo has been able to benefit, along with Benin and Côte d'Ivoire, from significant funding from the Japanese pharmaceutical firm TAKEDA. With an envelope of more than five million dollars over five years, the three countries must work to accelerate the reduction of maternal mortality by providing

high-quality obstetrical and neonatal care to the populations of the implementation zones concerned.

As for **obstetric fistula** and under the impetus of Côte d'Ivoire, a number of countries in the sub-region have launched an initiative to accelerate the eradication of this morbidity marked by the organization of repair campaigns but also a conference held in Abidjan and a parallel event organized in New York, on the side event of the United Nations General Assembly in order to sound the mobilization around the fight against this morbidity.

These two initiatives, conducted in close partnership with the country offices of Benin, Burkina Faso, Côte d'Ivoire, Gambia and Togo, were a great opportunity for experimentation and appreciation of the added value that can be derived from South-South cooperation.

At the **programmatic level,** UNFPA in Togo is pleased with the effective completion of the Fifth General Population and Housing Census of Togo, a major event which benefits for effective development planning in Togo are no longer in question.

With the general population census conducted in November 2022, Togo has distinguished itself as one of the few countries to respect the ten-year rhythm required for this important operation, which is generally spread over several years and mobilizes significant human, financial and material resources.

Our Office is proud to have played its part by having been able to constantly mobilize around the national party, the community of technical and financial partners whose support has been decisive for the success of this fifth Population and Housing Census (PHC).

In the fight against **gender-based violence (GBV)** and **harmful practices** against women and girls, it is appropriate to celebrate the important

milestones we achieved in 2021 with the installation of the first holistic care center for GBV victims - ONE STOP CENTER - at the Adidogomé medical and social center (Lomé).

The operation of this center throughout the year 2022, and the interest it has aroused among partners and populations, sufficiently demonstrate that our choices are relevant and our vision well-founded in that, beyond the apparent calm, women and girls unfortunately remain exposed to violence of all kinds and to harmful practices in the homes and communities of Togo's towns and villages.

It is therefore the time for all of us to commit ourselves to changing our individual attitudes, morals and customs in order to guarantee all the components of Togolese society, men and women, girls and boys, the full and equitable enjoyment of human rights, which is the guarantee of a harmonious development of any nation.

Before wishing you a good reading of the lines recorded in

this 2022 report of the United Nations Population Fund, Togo office, I would like to express my deep gratitude for your constant support to our actions; without you, we will never succeed.

Ms. Josiane Yaguibou, Resident Representative, UNFPA Togo

#### Our

# Results in 2022



# On the way to achieving the three transformative outcomes



Zero Unmet Needs for Family Planning

# Communities mobilize for family planning

In 2022, UNFPA continued to focus on outreach strategies for community mobilization and behavior change through Community Health Workers (CHW).

In an effort to improve their health and well-being, remote rural communities from the health facilities of the Maritime and Savannas regions have taken ownership of family planning (FP) services through the Community-Based Distribution (CBD) of contraceptive methods, a strategy for offering FP services by the communities and for the communities.

As a result, **420 CHW** have contributed to the reduction of unmet need for FP.

Their actions reached more than **203,093** beneficiaries (including 14,433 new users) and 8,597 under the age of 20 and allowed to distribute:

- 54,290 subcutaneous injectable contraceptive methods (DPMA-SC);
- 26 646 contraceptive pills;
- 447 432 condoms.

In support of outreach activities, CHW have also contributed to the reduction of maternal deaths by conducting:

- 76 277 home visits;
- **9 225 talks** for **406,685 people**, including 175,690 women, 134,819 men, and 96,176 children;
- 7 147 pregnant women followed and 4 898 referred.



To strengthen the choice of contraceptive methods and the quality-of-service provision up to the last mile, training was organized for **489 community actors and supervisors** (420 CHW, 21 facilitators and supervisors, 48 health training managers) on subcutaneous injectable contraceptive methods (DMPA-SC) and the least used contraceptive methods.

#### When Domestic Resources Fund Family Planning

The year 2022 marked the commitment and leadership of the Togolese government in **mobilizing** domestic resources for the purchase of contraceptive products, with the signing of the COMPACT on November 21, 2022. In this new framework, Togo has committed, among other things, to contribute and increase by 25% until 2026, its funding for securing contraceptive products.

In support of the Government's efforts, UNFPA Togo has developed and implemented a **resource mobilization strategy** with local communities and the private sector to contribute to better supply management.



# The provision of integrated reproductive health and family planning services through the mobile clinic

In 2022, UNFPA continued to invest in integrated reproductive health (RH) and FP outreach approaches for **266 remote and isolated rural communities in the Maritime and Savannas regions.** 

The mobile clinic activities also administered and distributed:

 3,285 Jadelles, 1,403 Implanon, 260 DIU, 1,091 DMPA, 1,043 birth control pills, and 142,911 condoms.

These services benefited **6,168 new users of modern FP methods**, including 2,199 girls under the age of 24.

The mobile clinics also took over:

- 798 prenatal consultations;
- 2 036 echograms obstetrical;
- **3 936** gynecological consultations;
- 4 636 HIV tests, of which 33 were positive;
- 1 406 cases of Sexually Transmitted Infections (IST).





Condomize! 2022, the condom remains the solution!

The campaign **CONDOMIZE!** 2022 is an awareness raising activity and mass distribution of condoms initiated in Togo since 2014. It continues every year under the leadership of the Permanent Secretariat/National Council for the Fight against AIDS (PS/CC) which has taken ownership of this action and participates in its financing.

During 2022, three major campaigns took place:

- during the traditional EVALA celebrations, in the Kara region
- a special semi-virtual vacation campaign in the regions of Grand Lomé, Maritime, Plateaux, Centrale and Savannas, with the participation of 25 Civil Society Organizations (CSO);
- a Condomize! JMS 2022 in the six regions of the country, with the participation of **36 CSO** (06 per region).

These campaigns distributed **2,605,323 condoms** (2,543,431 male condoms and 61,892 female condoms), including **1,294,825 condoms to youth aged 15-24.** 







#### Zero Preventable Maternal Death

### **Emergency obstetrical and neonatal care**

In 2022, UNFPA Togo continued to work to improve access to effective and responsive emergency obstetric and neonatal care (EmONC).

The technical platform of the maternity wards of EmONC has been reinforced through:

- the recruitment and deployment of six midwives (MW) in the medical and social centers (CMS) of Togblecope, Agbélouvé, Ahépé and Kouvé in the Maritime region in addition to the Polyclinic of Tsévié.
- supervision of 14 MW trained in 2021 and having performed 2,588 obstetrical ultrasounds.
- training of 30 providers in the insertion of the Intra-Uterine Device for Postpartum (DIUPP) and the provision of insertion kits.
- the provision of materials and inputs such as newborn resuscitation tables, autoclaves, incubators, beds and mattresses, bedside tables, PPE, DIUPP insertion kits, implant kits, MVA kits, suction cups, etc. to 20 maternity units.
- supervision of 17 maternity units on the administration of EmONC.







Increasingly Skilled Health Providers (Ultrasound Training, EmONC Training)



## Quality assurance of midwifery initial training

In 2022, UNFPA continued to support the Government of Togo in achieving greater efficiency in **quality of care and patient safety** through quality assurance of MW initial training.

UNFPA supported the **community internships of 300 3rd year MW students** in the six national schools in the country, namely Lomé (75), Tsévié (20), Atakpamé (22), Kpalimé (24), Kara (33), and Dapaong, Lomé (75), Tsévié (20), Atakpamé (22), Kpalimé (24), Kara (33) and Dapaong (25). These training courses are a crucial step in their training.

In addition, the six national MW schools in Togo were provided with DIUPP insertion and removal kits, while four received simulators (anatomical models) to practice breast and cervical examinations, automated delivery and management of delivery hemorrhage.

The MW school in Lomé was provided with 110 kits for the benefit of students during their practical and community training.

# Rigorous performance monitoring of maternity units in the EmONC network

UNFPA Togo continued its efforts to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality through capacity building in EmONC.

In July and December 2022, the **72 maternity** hospitals in the national EmONC network were each visited twice to measure their individual performance.

The objective of the exercise was to ensure the availability of skills and equipment to provide the critical care that basic and/or comprehensive EmONC maternity facilities are required to provide.

The monitoring of this performance revealed that 97% of the EmONC maternity facilities had available EmONC functions, while 46% of them were functional in terms of continuity of services and the required number of MW.



# Promotion of the Association of Midwives of Togo

With the financial support of UNFPA Togo, the **Federation of Associations of Midwives of French-speaking Africa (FAMFA)** held its Congress in Abidjan from October 23 to 25, 2022, with the participation of four members of the Association of Midwives of Togo (ASSAFETO).

A real appointment for a reflection on the life of associations, an opportunity to **share new knowledge on the MW practice**. Togo won two prizes during this assembly.

The Country Office supported the organization of the General Assembly of the MW Association for the election of a new Board that plans to revitalize the association through more advocacy and actions to improve the quality of MW services.

Keeping the promise, the newly elected board immediately organized a national tour in the regional cells to strengthen cohesion and address the challenges related to the practice of MW in Togo.





#### Start of the new "Takeda 2" project

In 2022, several actions were carried out by UNFPA and its partners through the **TADEKA project** to help **strengthen the Togolese health system.** 

After the launch in May 2022, in Bouaké, Côte d'Ivoire, of the project "Ensuring access to life-saving maternal health services in less than 2 hours", Lomé hosted a workshop on the "2 H for Life" project, funded by the Japanese firm TAKEDA.

Opened by the Secretary General of the Ministry of Health, Public Hygiene and Universal Access to Health Care and under the supervision of the UNFPA Resident Representatives from Togo and Côte d'Ivoire, the workshop, held on July 16, 17 and 18, 2022, defined the modalities and coordination bodies of this regional project, which will also benefit Benin and Côte d'Ivoire.

Thus, at the end of the workshop, the composition and attributions of the Steering Committee, the Technical Committee and the four technical groups, namely EmONC, Innovation, Monitoring and Evaluation and Communication were defined.

To cover the project's needs, a **recruitment process for 13 MW** to serve in the 9 EmONC maternity units was conducted and completed. Equipment and materials have been ordered to strengthen the technical platforms of the health facilities.

Similarly, seven EmONC maternity units have begun their rehabilitation or extension and three MW housing units are under construction/rehabilitation. In 2023, it will be the turn of the laboratories.



### Capacity building for obstetric fistula control

Two junior obstetric fistula (OF) surgeons, Pr KPATCHA Fabrice Tchilabalo of Kara University Hospital and Dr. Koffi AYITE, a surgeon at Notsè University Hospital, took the opportunity of the **two-week OF repair campaign**, which was the inaugural event of the September 2022 Abidjan OF Conference, to **strengthen their skills in the repair of complex cases of OF.** 

With the support of UNFPA Togo, a review of OF case identification and monitoring activities by NGO and health regions was organized in Atakpamé on July 26 and 27, 2022, leading to an overall reorientation of interventions. Particular emphasis was placed on identifying cases through a partnership with 12 community radio stations.

**To improve the repair and overall management of OF**, a workshop was held in Lomé from November 19 to 21, 2022, bringing together surgeons and OF program managers from the UNFPA offices in Togo and Benin as well as their counterparts from the ministries in charge of health.

The workshop helped to better position the fight against OF in the two countries and the opportunity was taken to prepare the next conference of West and Central African surgeons, which will be combined with a Togo-Benin cross-border case repair campaign.







# The One Stop Center, for a holistic approach to gender-based violence

In the fight against GBV in Togo, UNFPA continues to provide technical and material support to the government in order to provide better assistance, holistic care and follow-up to victims and survivors.

In 2022, UNFPA Togo's support made it possible to run the "One stop center" and to take care of **126 GBV victims**.

13 educational talks were given in various maternity wards and at the Adidogomé market on the different types of GBV, reaching 801 people and raising awareness among more than 200.



#### **Zero Gender-Based Violence**

15 judicial police officers, 5 magistrates and the Manager of the "One Stop Center" were trained in order to **improve the psychosocial, legal and judicial management of GBV victims** and to guarantee the provision of **quality services** in accordance with human rights.

# Prevention and management of gender-based violence through listening centers

In 2022, **17 listening and counseling centers** for GBV victims treated 1,651 cases (1,429 women and 222 men).

These centers also recorded 941 visitors for information requests and carried out 26 radio programs that raised awareness among approximately **66,962** people. The themes addressed were as varied as domestic violence, forced marriage, work-family reconciliation, empowerment of young girls, etc.

Finally, **five advocacy campaigns** were conducted with local authorities in order to target the GBV phenomenon.

#### **AKOFA virtual assistance**

In 2022, UNFPA continued to support the operation of the AKOFA virtual assistance system (internet connection, case monitoring, motivation of telephonists, fees, etc.), which made it possible to register 149 cases of physical, psychological and economic violence.



# L'engagement des hommes, clé de la victoire Contre les

"All against gender-based violence: let's break the silence!!!"

#### The 16 days of activism against genderbased violence

The 2022 edition of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender Violence campaign was celebrated under the theme "All against gender-based violence: let's break the silence!!!"

This celebration was an opportunity to raise awareness on the **importance** of reporting for an effective response to the violence suffered by the victims.

During the campaign, 50 women victims of GBV in Lomé commune benefited from capacity building on the management of income-generating activities (IGA) and financial support of 50,000 FCFA each to strengthen their resilience.



#### Harnessing the Full Potential of Young People

#### When youth are on the front lines for peace (PBF Youth Project)

In 2022, UNFPA and its partners organized activities to further involve young girls/women and men in the **promotion of social cohesion and peace through cultural activities.** 

On this occasion, intra and inter regional competitions mobilized youth from the Savannas, Central and Maritime regions. The competitions focused on sketches, songs and poems, the super final of which took place in Lomé. **351 young people**, including 143 girls and 208 boys, participated in the competitions coupled with **citizen actions of cleaning public places.** 

For a better involvement of girls in social cohesion, more than 400 young people from 40 girls' clubs or mixed clubs were trained and thus sensitized in turn more than 6,638 of their peers. To sustain their actions, these clubs have been introduced to IGA.





### Strengthening youth leadership: the Orange Youth Space and the "Futuristic Minds" program

In 2022, young graduates were equipped by UNFPA to **facilitate their access to the job market** or to launch their own initiative.

In addition to the **Orange Youth Space** leadership development program, UNFPA Togo initiated its internship program called **"Futuristic Minds"**, which allowed 14 young interns to benefit from the coaching of UNFPA staff for three months.

The capacities of the participants were also strengthened on the areas of intervention of the different agencies of the United Nations System and on several topics such as: arming oneself for the conquest of one's job, writing a resume, a cover letter, the job interview, leadership and personal development, writing professional documents, etc. The youth also participated in activities initiated by UNFPA Togo's implementing partners in the different areas covered by their internships.



#### **Demographic Policies**

# General Population and Housing Census (PHC): the fifth enumeration successfully completed!

During the year 2022, UNFPA Togo, leader of the technical and financial partners, actively accompanied the Government in the realization of its RGPH-5, a large-scale digital collection operation.

From October 23 to November 16, 2022, the exhaustive enumeration of the population of Togo was successfully carried out throughout the country.

The enumeration mobilized 14,335 field agents including:

- 8 regional directors;
- 50 supervisors;
- 756 collection and TIC controllers;
- 2.850 team leaders and;
- 10.671 enumerators.

The population's support for the operation was greatly facilitated by the strong involvement of the Local Census Committees (composed of prefects, mayors and canton chiefs), religious leaders, traditional chiefs and the media.

Following the enumeration, **the preliminary analysis of the data was completed** and allowed for the consolidation of the PHC-5 database, analysis and preparation of a preliminary report.

**The Post-Census Survey (PCS)** has been meticulously scheduled to be carried out in early 2023.



The realization of the RGPH-5 was made possible thanks to the leadership of the Togolese government with the technical and financial support of several partners, including the World Bank, the United Nations Economic Commission for Africa (UNECA), UNFPA, UNDP, UNICEF, the International Organization for Migration (IOM), and the Togolese Federation of Associations of Persons with Disabilities (TFAPD)



 2 staff of the Regional Office (WCARO) based in Dakar.

The observers travelled to all regions of the country to meet with enumerators in a sample of 231 enumeration areas (EA) out of the 10,667 in the country.

They observed **80 household interviews** and interviewed **311 field agents**, including 8 regional administrators, 13 supervisors, 94 controllers, 116 team leaders, and 80 enumerators.

# The independent enumeration monitoring mission: an innovation of the PHC-5

During the enumeration, UNFPA Togo organized, in collaboration with the West and Central Africa Regional Office (WCARO), an independent monitoring mission of the census operation to assess its compliance with the principles and recommendations of the United Nations.

The mission found that the enumeration was successfully conducted in accordance with the principles and recommendations of the United Nations, and that the

encountered were not such as to compromise the quality of the data collected.

The independent monitoring mission of the enumeration saw the participation of several experts, including:

- 23 experts, including 14 from the National Institutes of Statistics of five African countries (Cameroon, Mali, Niger, Central African Republic and Chad);
- 5 experts from local research firms (BIS-Africa, iSER, CERA-GROUP and URD/UL);
- 4 staff of the United Nations
   System Agencies in Togo
   (UNICEF, WHO, UNFPA); and

The independent international experts agreed that the census in Togo was conducted in a professional and transparent manner, in accordance with internationally recognized standards.

# The PHC-5 data:

# A necessity for the development of Togo

Main reliable source of statistical data for public policy making





# Togo's adhesion to the SWEDD Project: the key milestones of the implementation are taking shape!





In 2022, UNFPA Togo further invested in reducing gender inequalities through its membership in the SWEDD Project, a regional initiative for Women's Empowerment and the Demographic Dividend that aims to accelerate the demographic transition by empowering its main beneficiaries, women and girls, to make decisions that will contribute to the sustainable development of their communities.

The process of setting up SWEDD/Togo began in February 2022, with the World Bank's **preparatory mission** to Lomé, which met with national authorities at the highest level, Technical and Financial Partners (TFP) and SCO, in addition to making **field visits to the Vogan Youth Center and the Tsévié Polyclinic.** 

On this occasion, a **capacity building workshop for the members of the Multisectoral Working Group** (MWG), set up by the Togolese Government, was organized on the implementation process of the SWEDD Project.

Since then, **several key milestones have been reached** in the implementation process, from the sector analyses to the availability of funds and the project document, which was budgeted with the financial and technical support of UNFPA Togo, which organized a workshop in September 2022.



# Sexual and Reproductive Health Rights of Adolescents and Youth

#### Values and sexual health education

In 2022, interventions to **strengthen Sexual Health and Values Education (SHVE)** continued, both in and out of school. To this end, an action plan was developed based on the recommendations of the 2021 national consultation.

In the out-of-school environment, **69 adolescents/youth and 60 parents/guardians** were trained in the cantons of Sevagan and Akoumapé (Vo4), Bolou and Wli (Zio2) on SHVE. The sensitization sessions that followed in the different villages helped to **educate 1,433 adolescents and young people** on the subject.









# Strengthening health facilities and school infirmaries for the provision of Youth and Adolescents Sexual and Reproductive Health

To **improve care in schools**, the capacities of **23 providers** in school and university infirmaries were strengthened on topics related to STI, FP, menstrual hygiene management and the "It's Life" series.

A total of **216 educational talks and awareness activities** were conducted through the support of 20 health facilities. **A total of 11,050 youth (10-24 years old) were sensitized.** 

#### Integrated in-school and out-of-school services

With the support of UNFPA Togo, **52,321 adolescents and youth** benefited from various integrated services provided by the organizations JVS, CRIPS, APEB, AST, CDD, 3ASC and ATBEF which carried out:

- 18,765 HIV testing;
- 20,176 girls placed on FP methods; and
- 13,403 STI cases diagnosed and treated using the syndromic approach.

In the sex industry, **1,544 sex workers** (SW) received IST diagnosis and treatment services, modern PP methods and HIV testing.



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#### Partnership and resource mobilization

"2 Hours for Life": Ensuring timely access to quality maternal health services to save lives



The year 2022 has seen **successful mobilization efforts and also promising avenues** for the future. The **Takeda 2 project** will consolidate the Takeda 1 project.

The Japanese pharmaceutical firm TAKEDA had financed an initial project for the **continuity of EmONC** in the context of the COVID-19

pandemic in six EmONC maternity units and eleven peripheral care units that refer to them. This project was a success and allowed for the maintenance of optimal attendance at health facilities and the strengthening of the health system on all interventions, according to the results of the final evaluation conducted in August 2022.

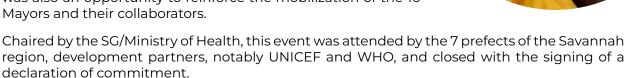
From the announcement of acceptance of the project to strengthen the **9 EmONC in the Savannah regional network** in January 2022, through the signing of the signature agreement between Takeda and UNFPA on March 8, 2022, to the launch of the project in Bouaké (Côte d'Ivoire), the Takeda 2 EmONC Strengthening Project has gone from dream to reality.

### Development of a partnership with local authorities in favour of the EmONC

Within the framework of the new Takeda project, a process of commitment by the **16 communes of the Savannah Region on their participation in the transport of obstetrical emergencies** was conducted and resulted in the signature of a joint declaration of commitment by all.

A documentary on the tragedies experienced when it comes to evacuating emergency cases was used as an argument for the need to share the costs of transport, which are too expensive for the beneficiaries, was developed to serve as an awareness-raising tool.

The Mayors' Forum, held on February 8, 2023 in Dapaong, was also an opportunity to reinforce the mobilization of the 16 Mayors and their collaborators.







# Increase knowledge of UNFPA interventions from the perspective of strengthening partnerships for resource mobilization



Mr. Tygve Aurdal-Vold, 1st Secretary of the Norwegian Embassy in Nigeria and Mr. Martin Deroover, Head of Cooperation of the Belgian Embassy in Benin, made a field visit to see the realities of UNFPA-supported interventions in Togo in the areas of youth empowerment, promotion of family planning and the fight against gender-based violence at the community level in the Kara and Savannah regions. This visit, which was greatly appreciated by the diplomats, augurs new prospects for resource mobilization for the country program.

#### Ending obstetric fistula, the profession of faith of the First Ladies

Within the framework of the fight against OF, UNFPA Togo prepared, with other offices of the WCARO Region, the mobilization initiative carried by the first ladies of this region.

This was a high-level dialogue for the mobilization of governments and development partners for the financing of the fight against OF. The Abidjan Regional Conference, held from 13 to 15 September 2022, was the precursor and the parallel session to the 77th United Nations General Assembly, held on 23 September 2022 in New York, made it possible to obtain a collective commitment from the countries of the region as well as from bilateral and multilateral partners.



On this occasion, a six-member Togolese delegation headed by the SG/Ministry of Health and the UNFPA Togo Resident Representative participated in the conference. The Country Office ensured the preparation of these two meetings, in particular the parallel session in New York, chaired by the Minister of Health, Public Hygiene, Universal Access to Health Care, on behalf of the President of Togo, thus **confirming its leadership in the fight against OF at national level.** 



#### **Ending the Unbearable**

A Global Multi-Stakeholder Call to Action to End Obstetric Fistula in West and Central Africa by 2030



#### **Program Strategic Coordination**

Communication, exchange of experience for the visibility of the Country Program

From September 13 to 15, 2022 in Abidjan, UNFPA and the Togolese Ministry of Health participated in the **exchange of experiences at the Regional Conference on OF.** The high level dialogue on the financing of the fight against OF was an opportunity for TFP, NGO, surgeons and collaborators from the academic world to take stock of **progress, innovations and challenges related to the fight against OF.** 

UNFPA Togo seized this opportunity to share its **advocacy experience in the fight against OF**. A **song** produced by UNFPA Togo with the help of the national artist Bibish Bola, calling for a general mobilization for the fight served as an interlude during the proceedings.



#### **UNFPA at the International Family Planning Conference in Pattaya**

The **international conference on FP**, held every two years, is an opportunity for researchers, academics, and development partners to communicate on various FP related topics.

Held in 2002 in Pattaya, Thailand, **five Togolese representatives gave height to their research by presenting a cost-effectiveness analysis of the different FP service delivery methods of the Country Program.** They were able to demonstrate the advantages of mobile strategies and open houses, which offer the greatest cost-effectiveness, in relation to their modus operandi and the long duration of action of the administered methods, compared to the other delivery strategies, which are essentially based on short duration methods.

The second presentation demonstrated the added value of involving CHW in contact tracing against COVID-19 on their routine PF activities, in terms of increased performance.

#### Monitoring and evaluation of activities

In 2022, the program entered its fourth year of implementation. In the area of monitoring and evaluation, the main achievements are as follows:

#### Coordination of studies and evaluations

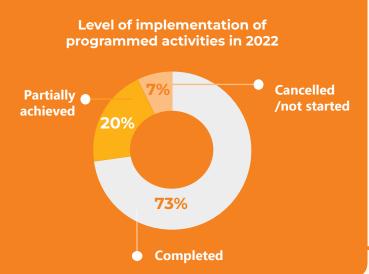
Several studies have been carried out thanks to UNFPA Togo funding

- The evaluation of the 7th Program, started in 2021 and completed in 2022. The results will be used in the formulation of the 8th Program;
- The baseline study for the Takeda project in the Savannah region, which will serve as evidence for the 2023 business planning;
- Evaluation of the strategy for male involvement in reproductive health;
- The preliminary study on GBV in the Savannah region;
- · Mapping of UNFPA interventions in Togo.

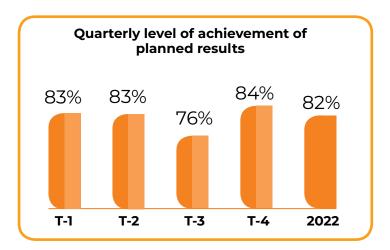
#### Strategic monitoring of program implementation

A total of 108 activities were programmed in collaboration with implementing partners in 2022 and 79 were completed during the year; a 73% completion rate.

A total of 21 activities were ongoing at the time of yearend reporting. Nearly 7% of the planned activities were not completed or were cancelled.



Monitoring the results shows that the overall level of achievement of the planned results in 2022 is 82%.





#### Level of achievement of country program indicators

After four years of implementation of the Country Program, an average 80% achievement rate is expected for each indicator. In total, 10 out of 13 indicators were able to reach this minimum rate. **As a result, 77% of the indicators were able to reach the expected completion rate for 2022.** 

Country Program Performance Framework				
Output	Indicators	Target 2019-2022	Realization 2019-2021	Completion rate
Output 1: Strengthened	Number of midwives trained in SONU	120	126	105%
national capacity to provide integrated sexual and reproductive health services	Number of health facilities with EmONC equipment	40	115	288%
	Number of adolescents, youth, and sex workers who received integrated SRH / IHV	125 000	116 944	94%
	Number of women treated for obstetric fistula	200	61	31%

Country Program Performance Framework				
Output	Indicators	Target 2019-2022	Realization 2019-2021	Completion rate
Output 2: Strengthened national capacity for supply chain management, demand creation and PF service delivery	Number of new users of modern contraceptive methods	150 000	197 281	132%
	Proportion of health facilities in the concentration zone that have not experienced a contraceptive stockout in the last three (3) months	75%	40%	53%
	Proportion of health facilities in the focus area offering at least five (5) modern contraceptive methods without condoms	80%	42%	53%
Output 3: Strengthened national capacity to address VGB and increased access to sexual and reproductive health services for women and girls	Number of women referred to health facilities for RH services on the advice of men's committees	20 000	19 225	96%
	Number of victims of GBV (physical and psychological violence) supported	10 000	8 199	82%
	Number of civil society organizations strengthened to promote the sexual and reproductive health rights of adolescents/ youth and to combat gender-based violence	16	15	94%
Output 4: Strengthened national capacity to produce and use population data	The PHC-5 is conducted with the support of UNFPA	YES	YES	100%
	Number of national reference documents integrating population dynamics and the demographic dividend developed.	7	9	129%
	Number of analytical reports, thematic studies and evaluations conducted with UNFPA support	12	24	183%

**Total: 77%** 



#### **Implementing Partners**

#### For an increased presence in the field

DSMIPF Direction of Maternal and Child Health and Family Planning (Ministry of

Health and Social Protection)

DGGPF General Directorate of Gender and Promotion of Women (Ministry of Social

Action, Promotion of Women and Literacy)

DGMAP Directorate General for Aid Mobilization and Partnership (Ministry of

Development Planning)

DEP Directorate of Population Studies (Ministry of Development Planning)

Div SJA Youth and Adolescent Health Division (Ministry of Health and Welfare)

INSEED National Institute of Statistics, Economic and Demographic Studies (Ministry of

Development Planning)

DJEJ Directorate of Youth and Youth Employment (Ministry of Grassroots

Development, Handicrafts and Youth)

SP/CNLS Permanent Secretariat of the National Council for the Fight against AIDS and

IST

ATBEF Togolese Association for Family Welfare

CRT Togolese Red Cross

GF2D Group of reflection and action Woman Democracy and Development

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OSC – VIH Platform of Civil Society Organizations in the fight against IST/VIH in Togo

3 ASC Association for the Support of Community Health Activities

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