



Meet the Demand for Contraception and Reproductive Health

THE WORLD TODAY

214
MILLION

214 million women in developing countries have an unmet need for modern contraception

NEARLY HALF

In developing regions, nearly half of pregnancies among adolescent girls and women, ages 15 to 19, are unintended

AT LEAST 22,800

At least 22,800 women die each year from abortion-related complications

SOLUTIONS



A broad mix of contraceptive methods in steady supply



Access to services that prevent and treat sexually transmitted infections



Reproductive health programs and services that target adolescents and marginalized populations



Less restrictive abortion laws and access to postabortion care

THE INVESTMENT CASE

\$1

\$2.20

Every US\$1 spent on investing in contraceptive services in the developing world would save \$2.20 in maternal and newborn healthcare from a decline in unplanned pregnancies

If we meet the need for modern contraception and quality care:

↓75%

unintended pregnancies

↓74%

induced abortions

↓73%

maternal deaths



Access to modern contraception and reproductive health is the bedrock of gender equality, economic development, and progress for all.

ASKS

Ensure systems are in place to **provide sexual and reproductive health (SRH) services** and modern contraception across settings, including emergency settings, and strengthen health systems and commodity supply chains.

Remove legal and regulatory barriers to SRH and family planning services, information, and supplies for all, including adolescents.

Liberalize abortion laws and provide safe abortion and postabortion care.

Develop and scale up national policies, curricula, and training to **ensure access to universal comprehensive sexuality education**.

Tackle cultural norms inhibiting access to modern contraception with the involvement of boys and men, and promote and implement youth-friendly services.

Invest in and roll out **new contraceptive technologies** that better address people's needs.

Incorporate **infertility treatment** into SRH services.

Integrate SRH services into the provision of **primary healthcare** services and universal health coverage, including the provision of human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccines.

RIPPLE EFFECT

