Global Allies Webinar

September 8, 2022, 8:30pm ET
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USAID Nutrition

Implementing nutrition-specific interventions, or those that address the immediate health-related determinants of undernutrition.

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NUTRITION PRIORITY COUNTRIES & NUTRITION STRATEGIC SUPPORT COUNTRIES

- Niger
- Mali
- Senegal
- Burkina Faso
- Ghana
- Nigeria

Nutrition Priority Countries

- Haiti
- Guatemala

Nutrition Strategic Support Countries

- Tajikistan
- Nepal
- Bangladesh
- Ethiopia
- DR Congo
- Uganda
- Tanzania
- Malawi
- Mozambique
- Zambia
She's curious.
Nutrition is a human right

“Everyone has the right to a standard of living adequate for the health and well-being of himself and his family, including food, clothing, housing and medical care and necessary social services...”

• Universal Declaration of Human Rights, Article 25 (A)

Every man, woman, and child has the inalienable right to be free from hunger and malnutrition...

• Universal Declaration on the Eradication of Hunger and Malnutrition
In 33 countries, at least 30 per cent of children were still affected by stunting in 2020¹

 Globally, 22.0% of children were stunted in 2020.

- **≥30% (very high)**
- **20 – <30% (high)**
- **10 – <20% (medium)**
- **2.5 – <10% (low)**
- **<2.5% (very low)**
- Modeled estimate not presented

Data & Visualization by UNICEF
### Why early childhood?

Global number of deaths (in millions and percentage share)

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<td>Under-five</td>
<td>5.0 million</td>
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A baby’s brain grows **80%** in the first 18 months.
Human Brain Development

Neural Connections for Different Functions Develop Sequentially

- Sensory Pathways (Vision, Hearing)
- Language
- Higher Cognitive Function

First Year

Birth (Months) | (Years)
---|---
-8 -7 -6 -5 -4 -3 -2 -1 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19

Ibid, your Honor.
This is the Regional Hospital that treats severe cases and births.
COVID, Conflict, Climate

Communities already stretched to their limits

Photos via Unsplash
Crisis snowball

- COVID-19
- Drought, floods
- Conflict
- 10+ million orphaned
- Supply chain disruption
- Health services interrupted
- Inflation (food, fertilizer)
Over the past 4 months in the Horn of Africa

- **37% increase** in the number of severely wasted children admitted for treatment
- **88% increase** in household water insecurity from 5.6 million to 10.5 million
- **15 million children** out of school. 3.3 million children at risk of dropping out
- **More than 50% increase** in child marriage and female genital cutting
Nana Hadiza, 28, holds her twin daughters as they are treated for malnutrition at the CHU Hospital of Maradi.