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AT A GLANCE

Peru's midwife network is becoming [financially self-sufficient](#), RHSC is awarded the [highest ranking](#) in gender report, and [a new webinar](#) sheds light on how organizations made adaptations during the COVID-19 pandemic.

THE LATEST



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The banner features a stylized logo at the top left consisting of red and black geometric shapes. Below it, the text 'ACCRA 20' and 'ACCRA 23' is displayed in red. The central focus is the large, bold text 'REGISTER NOW!' in black. To the right, the flag of Ghana is shown waving on a silver pole. At the bottom left, there is a decorative row of red and black geometric shapes, and at the bottom right, a white box contains the hashtag '#RHSUPPLIES2023' in red.

Register now for the General Membership Meeting

The RHSC's General Membership Meeting (GMM) will take place 16-20 October 2023 in Accra, Ghana. Registration is still open, so if you have not done so already, please [register to attend here](#).



Young logisticians from 7 countries win LAPTOP Scholarships

14 young supply chain managers have [received scholarships](#) to further their studies under the latest round of LAPTOP scholarships. This global round grants awards to six women and eight men from Bolivia, Ethiopia, Haiti, Malawi, Namibia, Nigeria, and Zimbabwe. We express special appreciation to our external adjudicator, Griet Samyn, e-Learning consultant from i+solutions.

NUMBER OF THE MONTH

327%

IN PERU, MIDWIFE NETWORK RIAMA'S REVOLVING FUND HAS GROWN 327% SINCE 2019.

RIAMA to become self-sustaining network

RHSC partner [APROPO](#)'s private midwife network, RIAMA, is set to transition from a donor-funded to a self-sustaining network. Since its launch in 2019, its revolving fund for contraceptive procurement has grown 327 percent with profits from all contraceptive sales reinvested in the fund. The fund enables APROPO to procure a wide range of short- and long-acting reversible contraceptives in quantities that qualify for discounts of 13 to 69 percent. The network now has more than 1,400 midwives and physicians who operate in low-income peri-urban neighborhoods across Peru. RIAMA has been documented as best practice in NGO–private sector cooperation so that others might replicate it. For more information, contact RHSC Regions Manager Milka Dinev at mdinev@rhsupplies.org.



RHSC receives highest ranking for gender equity policies

The recently published [Global Health 50/50 sixth annual report](#) has found the RHSC to be a Very High Performer, which is the highest ranking in the report. The 2023 Report takes an in-depth look at workplace sexual and reproductive health policies alongside an annual analysis of 197

organizations' gender-related policies and practices. The ranking of Very High Performer points to "transparent policies and measures in place to advance gender equality" and an organization being "at or near gender parity in decision-making bodies". The RHSC scored especially highly for our public commitment to gender equality and our workplace gender equality policy.



Adaptations Webinar

A recent online panel discussion examined the significant findings of an assessment and report on "[Adaptations Used to Ensure Contraceptive Access during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)." The report investigates Covid's profound impact on reproductive health (RH) supply chains and explores adaptations that stakeholders in sub-Saharan Africa have made in order to maintain access to RH commodities. The panel features unique perspectives on the challenges faced by RH supply chains, the adaptations implemented, the lessons learned from organizations and countries, and recommendations for the future. You can [catch it here](#).

RH medicine cost savings inform social media campaign in Chile

Together with NGO Miles Chile, central procurement agency CENABAST, and Chile's health ministry, the RHSC has launched a 12-

month project to generate new evidence and raise awareness of the benefits of Chile's public-private procurement program to lower out-of-pocket expenditures for essential medicines in the private sector. The program, which enables private pharmacies to purchase their medicines through CENABAST, has seen prices drop by about 23 percent compared to the prices of the same products at chain pharmacies. A new analysis has taken place of reproductive health product prices in the pharmacies participating in the CENABAST program versus private pharmacy chains. The findings have informed a national social media advocacy campaign to spotlight cost savings, link consumers to these pharmacies, and raise awareness of price gouging.

NEW MEMBER

Founded in 2014, [Hope Centre for Children, Girls and Women](#) in Tanzania is a grassroots, women- and youth-serving human rights NGO strengthening adolescents, young women, and women's rights organizations by capacity building and forging strategic alliances.

NEW WEBINARS



[Adaptations Used to Ensure Contraceptive Access during the COVID-19 Pandemic](#)



[The Impact of Social Marketing 40 years on: Measuring Private Sector Success in SRH](#)

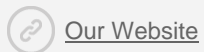
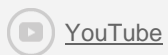
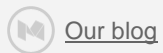
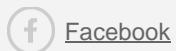
IN THE CALENDAR

9-12 October | Paris, France

[XXIV World Congress of Gynecology and Obstetrics](#)

16-20 October | Accra, Ghana

[General Membership Meeting of the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition](#)



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