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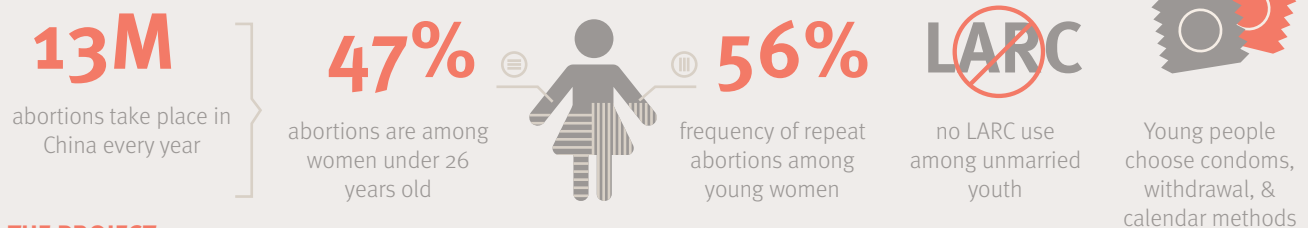
Outcomes of the Innovation Fund's special round for young people

In September 2016, the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition kicked off four unique projects designed to increase young people's access to reproductive health supplies. Support for these projects came from a special youth-specific round of the Innovation Fund, the Coalition's flagship initiative for inspiring and financing new activities. The call for proposals yielded 35 grant applications. Four were chosen to receive one-year grants.

1 Introduced first service delivery guidelines for youth access to post-abortion contraception

Marie Stopes International China (MSI-China)

CONTEXT



THE PROJECT

- ✓ Developed first guidelines on youth access to contraceptives in the country
- ✓ Introduced guidelines in 6 hospitals

RESULTS



2 Removed logistical and clinical barriers to contraceptive access by youth

VillageReach, Malawi

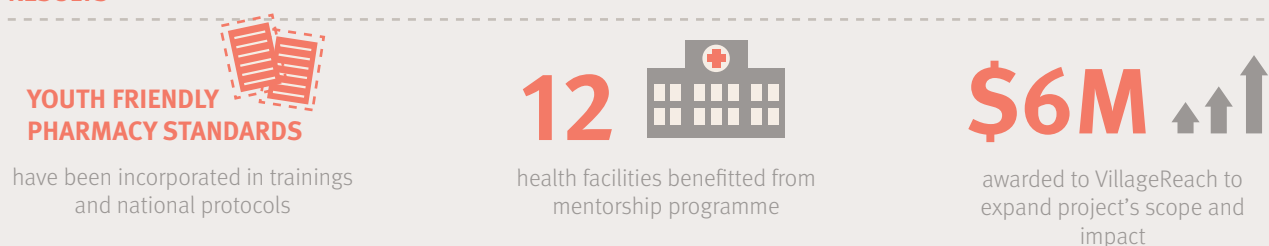
CONTEXT



THE PROJECT

- ✓ Set up a mentorship program for pharmacy assistant
- ✓ Pharmacy assistants trained health facility staff to improve commodity availability.
- ✓ Tracked good supply chain practices
- ✓ Created youth friendly pharmacy standards

RESULTS



3 Tested menstrual cup pricing and distribution models in rural and urban settings

WoMena, Uganda

CONTEXT



>50%

percentage of girls in Uganda miss school due to menstrual hygiene management challenges



5-10 YEARS

average duration of menstrual cup

THE PROJECT

6 novel distribution models tested:

- ✓ "Goat and Cup for work"
- ✓ Savings Groups
- ✓ "Marie Stopes Ladies"

- ✓ MSI Clinic Sales
- ✓ MSI Youth Ambassadors
- ✓ Private Pharmacy Sales

RESULTS



1,227

Menstrual cups distributed during life of project



IMPORT DUTIES

The project successfully advocated for the removal of import duties on the Ruby Cup®

4 #Donde, a new mobile app, points youth to nearest RH facility

Centro de Estudios de Estado y Sociedad, Argentina

CONTEXT



Adolescent fertility in Argentina among highest in the world



69.6

live births per 1,000 Argentinian girls aged 15-19 each year



70%

of adolescents giving birth reported not using contraceptives

THE PROJECT

- ✓ New mobile app #Donde allows youth in Argentina to find contraceptives and safe, legal abortion counselling
- ✓ #Donde designed to give information discreetly and privately

- ✓ Users can feed data into the platform and rate quality of care received at service delivery
- ✓ Data collected through #Donde applied to advocate for better quality facilities with youth access to RH commodities.

RESULTS

8,000

Number of RH distribution outlets geo-referenced by #Donde

15,045

current users of #Donde