



# RAISE



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Columbia University  
MAILMAN SCHOOL  
OF PUBLIC HEALTH

# Marie Stopes International

- Global sexual and reproductive health agency
- 40 countries worldwide 4.3 million clients
- Coordinating agency of the **The Reproductive Health Access, Information and Services in Emergencies initiative (RAISE)**



# Reproductive Health in Crises

The absence of quality Reproductive Health services is a leading cause of death and disease among displaced women of reproductive age

Source: Women's Commission for Refugee Women & Children



# RAISE

- 5 years
  - 1 July 2006 – 30 June 2011
- Lead agency: Columbia University
- Coordinating agency: Marie Stopes International London



# RAISE Goal

***RH care should be recognized as an absolute necessity for populations in crisis, just as food, water, sanitation, shelter, protection and Basic health care are commonly accepted as Primary needs***



# RAISE Priority Areas

- **Emergency obstetric care** - Basic and comprehensive emergency obstetric care, including post-abortion care
- **Family planning**, all methods, incl. long term and permanent and emergency contraception
- **Prevention and treatment of STIs**; prevention and referral services for **HIV/AIDS**
- **Gender Based Violence** – medical response and referral

# Technical Advice to Partners

- Support programme development
- Identify training needs
- M&E
- Identify opportunities for collaboration
- Coordination of research

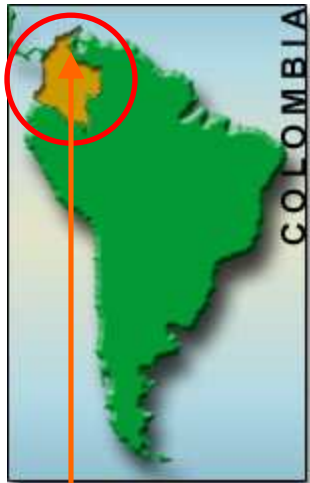


# RAISE Partners

- **American Refugee Committee (ARC) in Sudan**
- **International Rescue Committee (IRC) in Sudan and DRC**
- **Profamilia, Columbia**
- **MSI global partners, Uganda**
- **CARE International, DRC**
- **Save the Children, Kenya**



# Where is RAISE Working?



**Colombia**

**Eastern  
DRC**



**Eastern  
Chad**

**Sudan:  
Darfur,  
S.Sudan**

**Northern  
Uganda**



# Other Programme Elements

- **Clinical training: Eastleigh Training Centre**
- **Advocacy: Advocacy partners US, EU, UNFPA**
- **Research: Columbia University, London Office**
- **Logistics: Get RH supplies in to response!**
- **Emergency fund: 50K for NGOs**