

## Increasing Access to Cervical Cancer Prevention through Reproductive Health Networks in LAC

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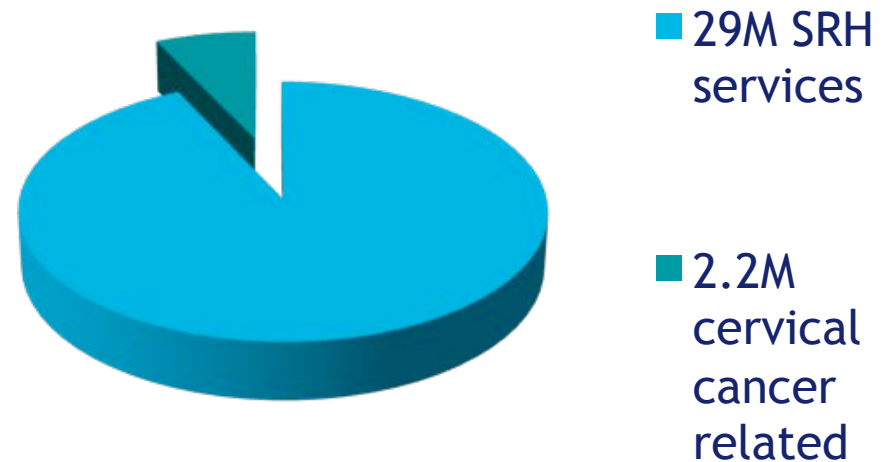
## IPPF/WHR: Network of 40 organizations in LAC

- Providing 29 million SRH services throughout LAC
- 2.2 million cervical cancer related services including pap smear, VIAA, vaccination.
- 70% of clients are poor, marginalized or underserved.

## UICC: largest cancer fighting organization around the world.

- 767 member organizations around the world
- 211 member organizations in LAC
- UICC aims to save millions of lives by focusing:
  - Convening the global cancer control community
  - Advocacy: putting cancer on the global health agenda
  - Coordinating high-impact global programmes

## Number of SRH Services Provided by IPPF MA in LAC (2011 data)



# Reducing missed opportunities for early detection and treatment of cervical cancer

- **Partnership between UICC- IPPF/WHO** to work in LAC - launched in 2012
- **Objective of the partnership:** to systematically integrate cervical cancer control in the agendas of civil society organizations that already provide SRH services to women and youth
- **The goal:** to increase the number of women using early screening and treatment services in selected LAC countries

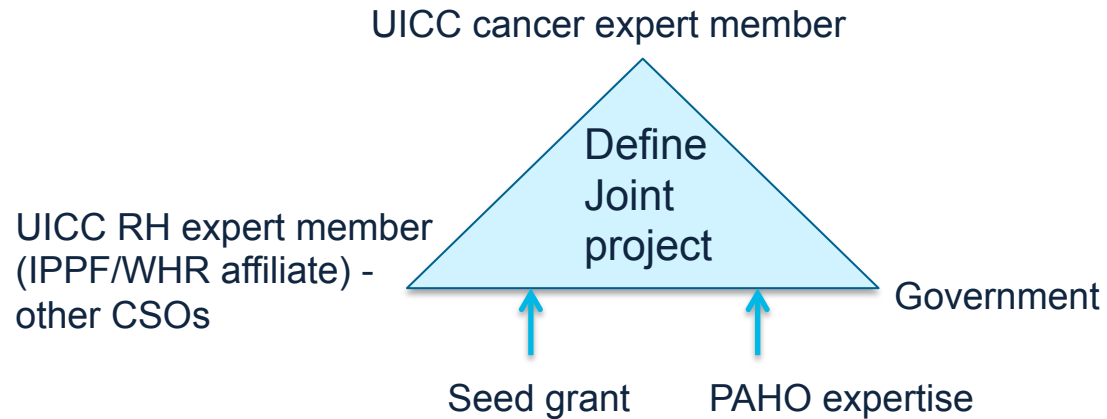
# Where will the work take place?

- Cervical cancer mortality rates are **seven times greater** in LAC than in North America
- Central America countries have **the second highest mortality rates** in the LAC region
- In 2012 the partnership focused on **3 Central American countries: *El Salvador, Guatemala and Honduras***
- **Already launched projects in Guatemala and El Salvador, Honduras under exploration**

# In-Country support model

## Tripartite working model:

UICC members and partners, CSOs and governments implement joint projects in each country supported by seed grants. PAHO provides technical advice.



## Other activities include:

1. Training and education feeding directly into country projects through fellowships, workshops and expert exchange
2. Operational research: introducing new evidence-based technologies on a small scale to adapt them for their further use at the national level
3. South-to-south exchange: capacity building and learning will be supported through country visits and expert exchange with 6 upper-middle-income countries in Latin America

# Sample project: El Salvador

## Cervical Cancer

- Cervical Cancer Incidence 37.2 (100.000) (Globocan 2008)
- Cervical Cancer Mortality 18.2 (100.000) (Globocan 2008)
- Among 30 LAC countries 8<sup>th</sup> place on incidence and 5<sup>th</sup> on mortality (Ferley et al, Globocan 2002)
- Among Central American Countries 3rd highest number of cases and deaths (WHO/ICO HPV Centre, Aug 2012)
- Three out of 10 women age 15-49 recognized (29.1%) HPV as an STI (FESAL-2008)

## Area of intervention

- Area of Intervention: Department of *Sonsonate*
- In Sonsonate only 18% women age 15-49 recognized HPV as an STI (FESAL-2008)
- Beneficiaries: Women aged 25-59 at risk of developing cervical cancer

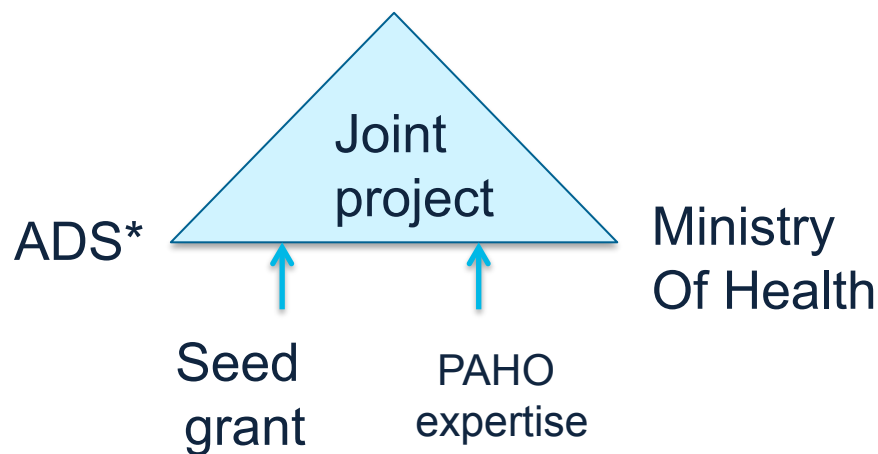


# El Salvador: results framework

1. Improving KAP of men and women of the department of Sonsonate on how to prevent cervical cancer through community education
2. Increase access to and use of preventive services for cervical cancer in Sonsonate by strengthening ADS services
3. Strengthen ES national strategy to combat cervical cancer

*“Initiative against cervical cancer in El Salvador”*

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# El Salvador: Operational Strategies

## Increase informed demand

### 1. Operational Research:

- **Measure KAP** of women, providers and key stakeholders on HPV and Cervical Cancer prevention
- Use information for IEC interventions

### 2. Education:

- Innovative sessions with women and their partners, youth and stakeholders
- **Through faith based organizations using the “*With love we learn*” curriculum**

### 3. ***Coordinated mobile clinics - community education – solidarity funds and follow mechanisms***



# El Salvador: Operational Strategies

*Increase access to early  
detection and treatment*

**1. Provision of Services:** Increase access to cervical cancer screening and treatment through:

- Fixed and mobile clinics
- Subsidized services
- **Solidarity fund: by faith based organizations**

**2. Personalized follow up mechanism:**

- Through existing health promoters
- Supported by faith based organizations
- Solidarity fund supports follow-up



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