



SITUATION UPDATE

UKRAINE CRISIS

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EMERGENCY OVERVIEW



In September, the missile and drone attacks across Ukraine continued. At least 503 Shahed-type drones were launched in the last month, including at least 240 over the final two weeks of the month, while Russian forces launched more than 20 long-range attacks.

On September 21–22, Russian forces carried out one of their largest missile strikes, launching at least 43 missiles against energy facilities that caused brief but widespread power outages across northern and central parts of Ukraine. This was the first attack on critical infrastructure in a long time, and is an indication that the Russians plan to target power, heating and electrical facilities over the coming winter.

FAST FACTS

OUR IMPACT

9 million+ people
benefitting from
improved access to
health supplies and
services

- ✚ 287 primary and secondary health centers supported
- ✚ 9,054,287 non-food items (NFIs) distributed
- ✚ 1,299,476 liters of drinking water distributed
- ✚ 2,319,077 primary outpatient health consultations delivered
- ✚ 18,275 individual mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) consultations delivered
- ✚ 55,891 people reached with direct infant and young-child feeding (IYCF) services
- ✚ 40,295 people reached with gender-based violence (GBV) prevention and response services
- ✚ More than 20,946 people reached with multipurpose cash assistance (MPCA)



OUR WORK

OUR RESPONSE

International Medical Corps' humanitarian response efforts across Ukraine are tailored to each region's needs. In newly liberated areas and post-conflict zones, we provide a wide range of services, including health, MHPSS, protection, GBV prevention and response, nutrition, NFIs, MPCA, and water, sanitation and hygiene (WASH). We also provide health facilities (HFs) with medical equipment and supplies, including vehicles, to help restore healthcare services. International Medical Corps works with local non-governmental organizations and local authorities to build resilience and increase the reach of our support.

In active conflict zones, International Medical Corps has adopted an adaptive, dynamic programming strategy focused on critical lifesaving operations, including supporting frontline hospitals with critical equipment and supplies, and distributing food, NFIs and water to impacted communities. In areas under threat of attack, we focus on the needs of internally displaced persons (IDPs) through an integrated approach that includes MHPSS, WASH, food, MPCA and NFIs. We also help HFs prepare for and build resistance to potential attacks and mass-casualty events.

In Poland, International Medical Corps is prioritizing the needs of Ukrainian evacuees, providing services and training related to health, MHPSS and GBV.

OUR RESPONSE: UKRAINE

Health



International Medical Corps Health team distributes medical commodities in one of the healthcare facilities in Mykolaivska oblast that we support.

In September, the Health team:

- conducted 71,908 medical outpatient consultations through 87 primary HF's, meaning that since January 2023, we have carried out 939,193 outpatient consultations in 156 primary HF's;
- conducted 47,904 specialized healthcare consultations, including 23,723 inpatient treatment in 15 hospitals and 24,181 outpatient consultations in three polyclinics across nine oblasts;
- conducted the assessment for providing physical rehabilitation and disability activities in HF's of Donetsk, Lvivska, Mykolaivska and Odeska oblasts, and developed an accessibility assessment tool;
- distributed 431 different types of medical commodities, including 44 types of medicines, 355 pieces of medical equipment, 31 types of medical supplies and one Interagency Emergency Health Kit to 20 health facilities in 20 regions, meaning we have distributed 1,375 different types of medical commodities costing \$5,842,829 from January to September 2023; and
- initiated a nationwide campaign in collaboration with the Public Health Center of the Ukraine Ministry of Health to raise awareness of stroke among population.

OUR RESPONSE: UKRAINE

Training



International Medical Corps staff members work with HHI volunteers to lead trauma courses for medical staff.

In the month of September, the Training team:

- continued conducting trainings of trainers (ToT) and regular trainings courses as part of the Harvard Humanitarian Initiative HHI trauma project;
- reached 410 participants as part of training courses in September;
- trained employees of medical universities and medical staff from Dnipro, Kharkiv, Kyiv, Mykolaiv, Odesa, Ternopil and Zaporizhzhia in “Advanced Trauma Life Support,” “Pre-hospital Trauma Fundamentals,” “Pediatrics Trauma Fundamentals” and “Stop the Bleed” courses; and
- distributed 160 “Stop the Bleed” kits to participants of the course.

OUR RESPONSE: UKRAINE

Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH)



International Medical Corps staff members distribute water tanks for use by affected populations in north Kherson..

In September, the WASH team:

- completed rehabilitation works at the Yarova HF in Lyman, Donetsk oblast;
- provided a dosing pump and water meter to Borova Vodakannal for water treatment system rehabilitation, as well as portable chemical toilets to a home for the elderly Izium, and started work at Oskil ambulatory, all in Kharkivska oblast;
- started minor rehabilitation at the Apostolove District Hospital, and provided 3,456 large bottles of water to residents affected by the missile attacks that happened in September in Kryvyi Rih, Dnipropetrovska oblast;
- completed installation of an oxygen generator, and completed renovation of bomb shelter of Bashtanka Hospital, in Mykolaivska oblast; and
- provided 28 deliveries of 5,000-liter water tanks to the south part of Dnipropetrovska oblast and North Khersonska oblast communities, as part of our response to Kakhovska Dam breach.

OUR RESPONSE: UKRAINE

Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS)



Participants in the Mental Health Case Management training session, held in Kyiv city.

In September, MHPSS team delivered sessions to support war-affected populations, including both local communities and internally displaced persons (IDPs), including the following:

- conducted 41 individual consultations (26 females, 15 males) in Lvivska and Ivano-Frankivska oblasts, and 51 (36 females, 15 males) consultations in Kharkivska oblast;
- conducted several focus group discussions in shelters with a total of 106 beneficiaries in Lvivska oblast;
- delivered one mhGAP training session for 22 health and mental health providers, and two psychological first-aid training sessions for 32 participants (29 females, 3 males) in Mykolaiivska oblast;
- conducted psychosocial support activities for 178 people in Kyivska oblast (155 females, 23 males), 224 people in Chernihivska oblast (186 females, 38 males) and 252 people (including 33 children) in Kharkivska oblast;
- provided 17 consultations to people (9 females, 8 males) in Chernihivska oblast;
- took part in the *Third Summit of First Ladies and Gentlemen* in Kyiv dedicated to mental health on September 6, conducted case management for 16 people, including our psychologists, case workers and social services providers in Kyiv city;
- conducted Self-Help Plus (SH+) session for 25 doctors and nurses from Kramatorsk Family Clinic and for educators of Kramatorsk Department of Education; and
- provided awareness raising activities dedicated to World Suicide Prevention Day, on September 10, in Kyivska and Lvivska oblasts.

OUR RESPONSE: UKRAINE

Nutrition



International Medical Corps Nutrition team members conduct breastfeeding counselling in Kyivska oblast.

In September, the Nutrition team continued its interventions in Ivano-Frankivska, Kyivska, Lvivska, Odeska and Vinnytska oblasts. The team has:

- supported 6,671 people by providing maternal, infant and young-child nutrition services in Ukraine;
- supported 2,507 (1,193 girls; 1,314 boys) children aged 0–59 months with infant and young-child nutrition supplies given to mothers/caregivers;
- provided 514 pregnant women with information related to maternal nutrition and breastfeeding, through individual and group maternal, infant, and young-child nutrition sessions;
- conducted educational sessions to 2,372 people (2,158 females, 214 males) in health facilities and community centers, as well as in humanitarian centers; and
- trained 14 health workers in Kyiv Maternity Hospital #2 on infant and young-child feeding in emergency situations, strengthening knowledge among health workers to provide quality services in these areas.

OUR RESPONSE: UKRAINE

Gender-Based Violence (GBV)



A woman performs at the musical poetical evening "Women's Voices," which we held in the Irpin WGSS, Kyivska oblast.

During September, International Medical Corps' GBV team kept providing prevention and response services directly and through local women's rights organization (WRO) partners. The team:

- continued delivering GBV case management services through state institutions in Chernivetska, Ivano-Frankivska and Kyivska oblasts;
- started a new women's and girls' safe space (WGSS) in Chernihivska oblast through a local partner (Convictus), to provide comprehensive services on violence prevention and response;
- provided in-person monitoring at the Irpin WGSS, and conducted a "poetic evening" there;
- delivered a GBV case management refresher to the GBV team in Kharkiv, in anticipation of the increase in cases after Russian attacks there; and
- opened a second WGSS in Kharkiv, on October 6.

OUR RESPONSE: UKRAINE

Multi-Purpose Cash Assistance (MPCA)



International Medical Corps staff members implement a cash for health program in Mykolaiv.

In September, the Cash team continued to support vulnerable populations with cash. The team:

- registered 448 beneficiaries in the Zaporizhzhia region;
- started the implementation of the Cash for Health program, which will enable International Medical Corps to cover the cost of essential medications required for diseases that are not covered by the National Health program of Ukraine; and
- registered 50 beneficiaries with diseases in Mykolaiv, Pervomaisk and Voznesensk.

OUR RESPONSE: POLAND

Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS)



International Medical Corps team members provide group supervision to helpers about problem management.

In September 2023, International Medical Corps Polish team continued its efforts supporting war-affected and vulnerable populations. The team:

- conducted training to empower 19 dedicated helpers with the necessary skills in SH+ (Self Help Plus), equipping these participants with the essential tools and knowledge to respond effectively in times of crises;
- organized a series of group supervision sessions for these helpers, focusing on the Problem Management Plus (PM+) approach;
- supervised and guided helpers, with the support of trainers, in the implementation of PM+ (the trainers continue to play a pivotal role in ensuring that helpers are well-prepared to offer effective PM+ to those in need); and
- provided technical support to trainers on providing training and supporting helpers afterwards.

OUR RESPONSE IN NUMBERS (UKRAINE)

9,196,983 beneficiaries reached with supplies, equipment and services

HEALTH

287 health facilities provided with medicines, medical equipment and supplies

6,767 people trained in health-related topics (*1,926 men, 4,841 women*)

2,319,077 outpatient health consultations delivered by supported facilities (*981,030 men, 1,338,046 women*)

MENTAL HEALTH AND PSYCHOSOCIAL SUPPORT (MHPSS)

18,275 MHPSS individual consultations provided for **9,310** people (*2,036 men, 7,265 women, 9 not disclosed*)

4,615 people trained in MHPSS-related topics (*486 men, 4,129 women*)

66,212 people reached through MHPSS sessions (*14,548 men, 51,549 women, 115 not disclosed*)

WATER, SANITATION AND HYGIENE (WASH)

58,339 people provided with WASH assistance

84,143 hygiene NFI kits distributed

1,665,091 people provided with NFI and FI assistance

NUTRITION

416 people trained in nutrition-related topics (*16 men, 400 women*)

5,183 pregnant women provided with nutrition-specific interventions

27,158 children under 5 years reached with nutrition-specific interventions (*13,755 boys, 13,403 girls*)

GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (GBV)

40,295 people reached through GBV interventions (*4,206 men, 36,043 women, 46 not disclosed*)

3,346 people trained in GBV-related topics (*262 men, 3,084 women*)

MULTI-PURPOSE CASH ASSISTANCE (MPCA)

20,946 people supported with cash assistance