Project Overview

Essential Health and Nutrition Service Provisions for IDPs in Kachin State Project

With support from the Myanmar Humanitarian Fund (MHF), Community Partners International (CPI) is implementing the Essential Health and Nutrition Service Provision of Internally Displaced Persons in Kachin State (ESPI) Project in four townships in Kachin State, Myanmar. The ESPI project supports the delivery of critical health and nutrition services to vulnerable populations living in conflict-affected areas in seven townships. Target populations include people living in conflict-affected areas, communities with histories of multiple displacements, communities receiving internally displaced persons (IDPs), and those living non-government controlled areas with poor access to health services.

At a Glance

Donor(s): Myanmar Humanitarian Fund
Project Duration: January 2019 - December 2019
Geographic Coverage: Kachin State - IDP camps in Chipwi, Hpakant, Injanyang, Momauk, Mansi, Sumprabum, and Waingmaw townships
Population Coverage: 43,616 people
Target Population Profile: Internally displaced persons
Impact Focus: Emergency response | Health | Nutrition
Implementing Partner(s): Back Pack Health Worker Team, Kachin Development Group

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Strategy and Activities

CPI designed the ESPI Project in partnership with Back Pack Health Worker Team (BPHWT) and Kachin Development Group (KDG) to respond to the humanitarian emergency affecting communities in contested areas of Kachin State.

The project’s core goal is to improve access to nutrition and health care services for conflict-affected communities living in non-government controlled areas of Kachin State. The projects main objectives are:

- To increase access to integrated health care services in emergency settings through locally accessible service providers;
- To strengthen the availability and quality of services by building the capacity of community-based health service providers.

Key activities under this project include:

- Initial needs assessments and feasibility assessments in 18 IDP camps;
- Advocacy meetings with officials from the Department of Health, and implementing partners for initial training for clinic health workers;
- Initial training of BPHWT and KDG health workers for the roll-out of an integrated package of health services (IPHS);
- Multiplier training on IPHS for volunteer health workers in IDP camps;
- Distribution of essential medicines and equipment to IDP camps;
- Support for the ongoing provision of IPHS including nutrition services to IDP camps populations;
- Distribution of micronutrients to pregnant women and under five children with the support of National Nutrition Program and State Health Department;
- Monthly health education sessions for nutrition in each camp by using Standard Health Messages published by the Myanmar Ministry of Health ans Sports (MoHS)
- Monitoring of Mid-Upper Arm Circumference (MUAC) of under five children at the IDP camps
- Referral for treatment of Moderate Acute Malnourished children (6-59 months)

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