

Partner Profile: Reina Madre



According to UNICEF, Mexico has a ~1.7x higher maternal mortality rate and a ~2.7x higher neonatal mortality rate than the United States.¹ Despite significant progress in maternal health care in Mexico, health sector practices and structural flaws in the health system including the absence of quality prenatal care, timely attendance and a lack of medical supplies and infrastructure, still place women's lives at risk during pregnancy, childbirth, and postpartum.²

Reina Madre is a network of clinics and hospitals in Mexico focused on women's health. Reina Madre is a social enterprise partner within Global Partnerships' Health Clinics initiative.³

WHO IS SERVED:

Reina Madre currently serves over 54,000 patients, who are primarily low-income women and their children. Approximately 25% of Reina Madre's patients live below the \$5.50 per person per day international poverty line, and 85% are female.⁴ A 2020 survey by Reina Madre indicated at least

10% of its low-income clients are accessing gynecology services for the first time through Reina Madre.⁵

WHAT IS DELIVERED:

Reina Madre provides quality, affordable obstetrics, and gynecology services, including preventive care and diagnostic screening, reproductive health consults, prenatal support services, delivery, and postnatal maternal and newborn care. To maximize positive outcomes on women's health and well-being, Reina Madre emphasizes building client awareness and fostering behavior change toward healthier practices.

WHY IT IS IMPACTFUL:

Reina Madre aims to improve the health and economic position of households living in poverty by ensuring that women have access to low-cost, quality reproductive and maternal health information and treatment. In a 2020 Reina Madre survey of 100 low-income patients, 94% of respondents reported improved quality of life since they started coming to Reina Madre, driven by factors such as improved health awareness, more regular gynecological check-ups, and changed habits to take care of their health.⁶

1. "UNICEF Data: Monitoring the Situation of Children and Women," UNICEF, 2020 figures accessed March 2022, <https://data.unicef.org>.

2. Grupo de Información en Reproducción Elegida, A.C. "The Missing Piece: Reproductive Justice". First Edition: November 2018, https://justiciareproductiva.gire.org.mx/assets/pdf/TheMissingPiece_2019.pdf.

3. Reina Madre was a current borrower of Global Partnerships Social Impact Fund 5.0, LLC, Global Partnerships Social Impact Fund 6.0, LLC, and Global Partnerships Impact-First Growth Fund, LLC, as of March 31, 2022.

4. Poverty data as of December 31, 2021 and patient total and gender data as of March 31, 2022, as reported by Reina Madre.

5. Reina Madre-conducted survey of 100 low-income clients conducted in Q2-2020.

6. Ibid.