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Relocated primary health care center from Toretsk, Donetska oblast, providing health services at the Pavlohrad transit center. © Health Cluster Ukraine

9.2 M In Need

3M **(2.2M)*** Targeted

$130 M **(97.6 M)*** Required

1.3M Reached

**This figure represents the reprioritized 2025 HNRP*

HIGHLIGHTS

- In August, the first half of the month saw a reduction in large-scale attacks overall; however, frontline areas experienced heavy military operations and communities along the frontline were highly impacted. This triggered record displacement, with more than 44,000 people forced to flee, according to IOM DTM.
- Long-range attacks resumed notably in the second half of the month, hitting urban areas such as Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia, and Kyiv, and causing deaths and injuries among civilians. According to the UN HRMMU, at least 208 civilians were killed and 827 were injured in August. Attacks on energy infrastructure, particularly gas facilities, also increased. Health Cluster and partners mobilized post-strike response actions to provide first aid and initial mental health and psychosocial support to those affected. In 2025, Health Cluster partners have reached more than 2,072 people and supplied medical resources to hospitals covering the treatment of 10,735 people.
- Evacuations surged in Donetska oblast, leading to overcrowding at the Pavlohrad transit center, which received over 440 arrivals per day at its peak. Authorities relocated the former center in Pavlohrad and opened two new transit centers in Dnipropetrovska and Kharkivska oblasts to accommodate more people. Kherson also saw increased evacuations, with more than 2,200 people relocated in the first half of the month. Health Cluster partners mobilized to support primary health care (PHC) and mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) at both new and existing transit centers and interim evacuation points. In 2025, more than 9,500 people have received PHC and MHPSS services from Health Cluster partners.
- The Health Cluster published the August 2025 update of the Public Health Situation Analysis (PHSA). The PHSA provides a consolidated picture of the Ukraine's public health threats, service gaps, and population vulnerabilities, guiding evidence-based humanitarian planning, advocacy, and resource allocation.

HEALTH SECTOR

1,300 health facilities supported as of *31 July 2025*

Source: 5W

2,618 attacks on health care since *24 Feb 2022*

Source: WHO SSA

325 logged HRPR submissions in *2023, as of 31 August 2025*

134 Partners reporting (cumulative) HRP activities in Activity Info, *as of 31 August 2025*

HEALTH CLUSTER RESPONSE PROGRESS

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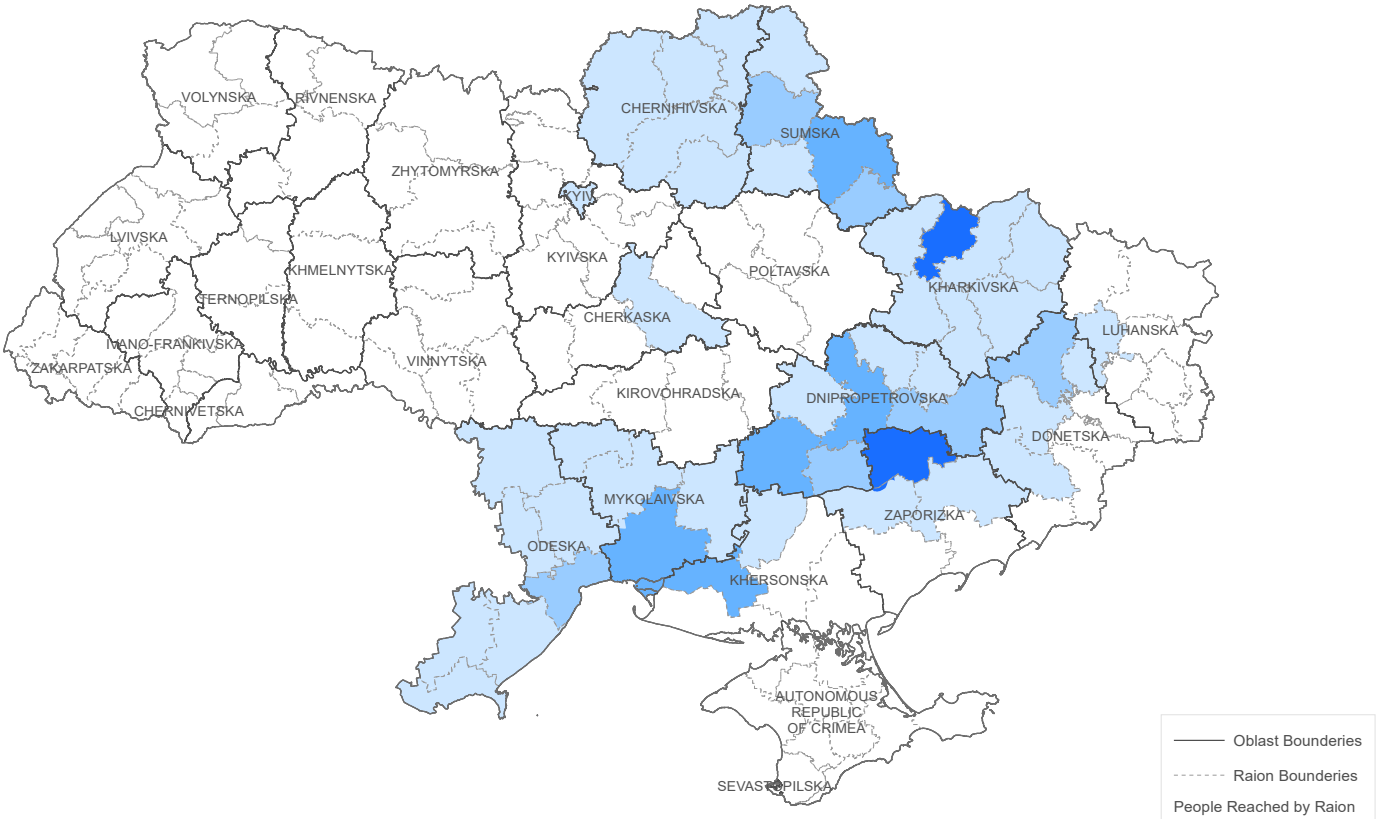
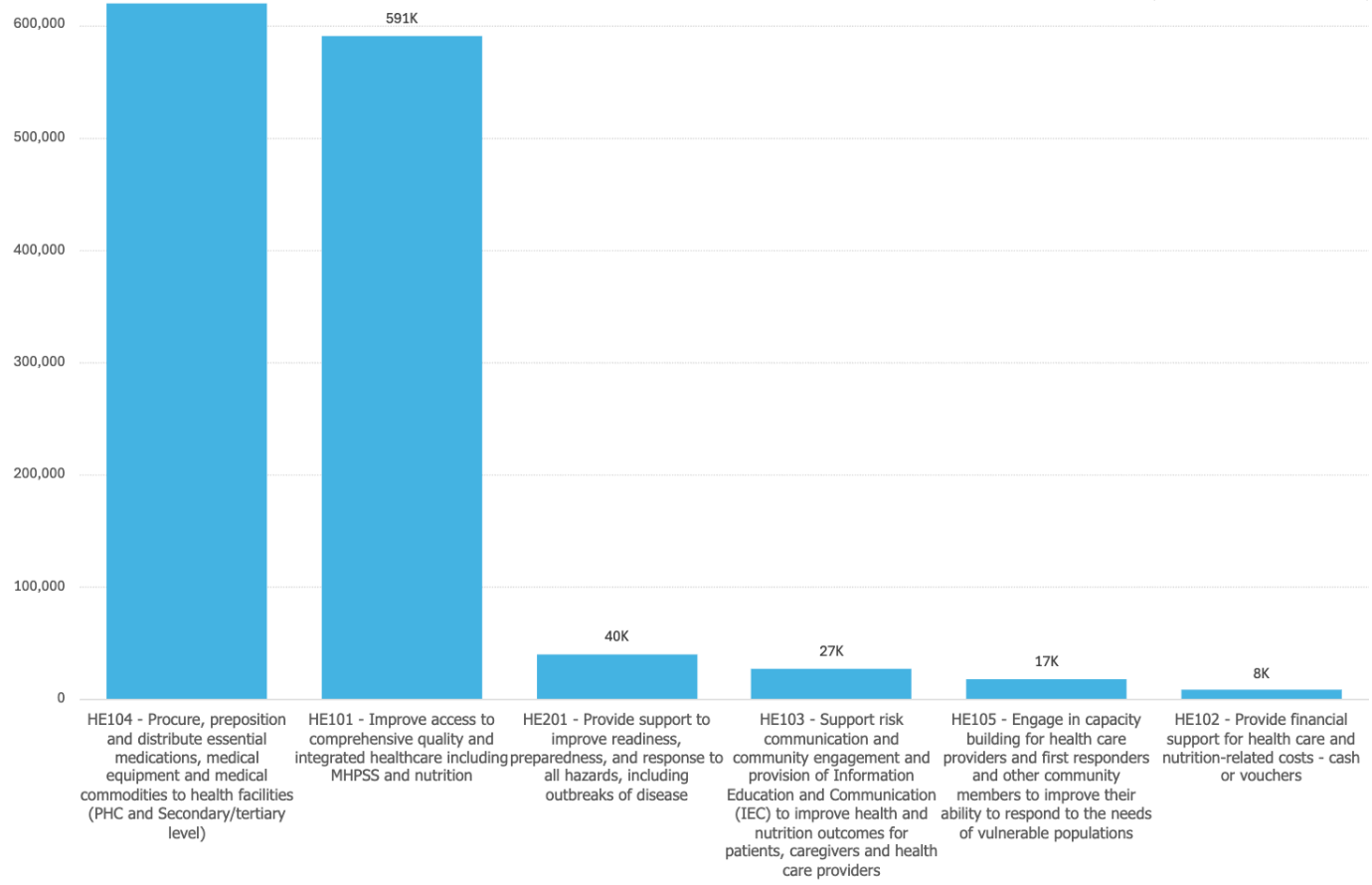


People Reached by Activity, as of 31 August 2025



NEEDS & GAPS

Winter Risk

As winter approaches in November 2025, health risks in Ukraine intensify sharply (WHO Risk Assessment). Millions will face the compounded threats of war and cold, with the most vulnerable are at heightened risk. In Ukraine, freezing temperatures fuel deadly spikes in respiratory infections, worsen chronic disease complications, and cause frostbite, hypothermia, and burns from unsafe heating. The most vulnerable, older people, people with disabilities, and displaced families, face impossible choices between warmth, food, or medicine. Snow and damaged roads limit access to care, while isolation and trauma deepen depression and anxiety. During the 2024/2025 winter, health needs surged, with more than half of households (51%) reporting unmet health care needs, up from just 35% in spring, a sharp 16-point jump. Without decisive funding support, preventable illness, disability, and death will rise dramatically during the 2025/2026 winter. A predictable winter response relies on preparedness activities and, above all, funding for partners to engage in Winter Response Activities.

Availability of Medicines

n frontline and hard-to-reach areas, attacks on warehouses and damage/closure of pharmacies and health facilities have disrupted medicine availability. Despite this, health partners continue to augment the emergency capacity of the Ministry of Health by donating lifesaving and essential medications to the areas most in need. According to the May 2025 IOM report, 36% of the population faces increased difficulty accessing healthcare and medicines, with internally displaced persons (IDPs), vulnerable households, and those with chronic illnesses disproportionately affected. Affordability remains a significant challenge, particularly for medicines not covered by the Affordable Medicines Program (AMP), a situation worsened by recent government pharmaceutical pricing adjustments that have unintentionally driven up prices. Pharmacies in rural and frontline areas face challenges replenishing their supplies, which negatively impacts displaced families, older persons, and people living with chronic conditions. To address these gaps, Health Cluster partners in some areas incorporate cash and voucher assistance (CVA) programming alongside service delivery, enabling access to medicines where state support has been disrupted, as well as covering transportation costs to health facilities when needed. Given the ongoing shortage of medicines in frontline locations, the Health Cluster is exploring collaboration opportunities with UkrPoshta to leverage their nationwide medication delivery services and raise partner awareness of this potential solution.

Availability of Services

The shortage of health workers in areas heavily impacted by the war, including frontline regions and communities bordering the Russian Federation, continues to challenge the provision of health services. Mobilization of health workers, humanitarian workers, including volunteers in frontline regions in February further reduced the availability of health services in some locations. Attacks on health care facilities disrupted access and endangered staff and patients. Fighting from war worsens health care access for people with disabilities and those with special needs, who have reported having higher health needs in comparison with those without.

Mental Health and psychosocial Support

The burden of the war on the mental health of the population and the health workforce continues to increase. As a result of the attacks, many people across Ukraine including health staff require mental health support. According to the latest WHO Ukraine Health Needs Assessment (HNA, Round 6) conducted in (October 2024), 68% of Ukrainians report a decline in their health compared to the pre-war period. The most prevalent health complaints are related to mental health, with 46% of people affected, followed by mental health disorders (41%) and neurological disorders (39%).

Trauma and Rehabilitation

Health facilities, especially in conflict-affected areas, face a high influx of trauma patients but lack specialized rehabilitation capacity. Trauma-related injuries, such as spinal cord injuries, brain trauma, burns, and amputations remain challenging to handle, with fragmented referrals and limited access. Many advanced patients with complications will be referred to palliative care or long-term care, losing possibilities for regaining functional independence and returning to their daily lives. While multidisciplinary rehabilitation within the network of “capable hospitals” is available across Ukraine, service quality may vary, with waiting lists up to three months and a shortage of specialized professionals. Integrating mental health into rehabilitation is essential for holistic recovery. Awareness among service users and service providers of free rehabilitation services is low, especially among primary care physicians, leaving many without care. Stronger coordination is needed to address gaps and avoid duplication.

Sexual and Reproductive Health Needs

Access to SRH services is reduced due to pharmacy closures, damaged facilities, and supply disruptions. Limited SRH focal points at primary care level affect care-seeking behavior. High rates of intimate partner and non-partner sexual violence highlight the need for enhanced clinical services and medical capacity-building. Access to antenatal care, especially for adolescents, has dropped, leading to increased maternal complications. Declining HIV and syphilis testing among pregnant women calls for expanded screening and treatment. Regional disparities in teenage pregnancy, rising abortion-to-live-birth ratio and unsafe abortions, and higher syphilis and hepatitis B cases demand stronger public health interventions, sexuality education, and improved contraception access. Strengthening SRH services at the PHC level is essential to ensure the availability of comprehensive SRH services.

Risk Communication & Community Engagement

Reaching vulnerable populations with risk communication and community engagement (RCCE) materials continues to be a challenge, particularly in frontline oblasts where insecurity and disrupted service delivery exacerbate public health risks. In these contexts, limited access to accurate information may contribute to low health-seeking behaviors and the adoption of negative coping strategies. Strengthened coordination is essential to ensure consistent and contextually appropriate messaging, especially on priority issues such as rabies prevention, measles vaccination, and the promotion of essential health-seeking practices. Aligning messages with the Ministry of Health’s priorities is key to addressing risk communication challenges. Greater partner involvement in community listening would amplify voices from high-risk regions.

HEALTH CLUSTER COORDINATION UPDATES

HNRP Update

The Health and The Health and Shelter/NFI cluster are co-chairing Strategic Priority #1 (relating to frontline response) of the Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan (HNRP 2026). This working group is responsible for determining the geographic boundaries, multisectoral needs profiles and calculation of the affected population. Once the process will be finalized, the working group with support of the clusters will determine the multisectoral response packages for each of the strategic priorities. Clusters will finally calculate sectoral People in Need (PiN), severity, target, and resource requirements in line with the Joint Intersectoral Analysis Framework (JIAF 2.0).

PHSA Update

The Health Cluster has released the August 2025 edition of the Public Health Situation Analysis (PHSA), providing a consolidated overview of the country's health threats, service gaps, and population vulnerabilities. Key findings highlight rising trauma and rehabilitation needs, resurging measles, and worsening non-communicable diseases, particularly in conflict-affected areas, alongside limited access to diagnostics and treatment due to damaged infrastructure, workforce shortages, and disrupted supply chains. Mental health concerns are widespread, with most adults reporting stress and tension but facing limited access to services. Persistent attacks on energy infrastructure also threaten heating, safe water, and continuity of health services in the coming winter months.

Winter Response Planning 2025

The Health Cluster contributed to the UN OCHA multisectoral Winter Preparedness Plan (October 2025–March 2026), aligning health priorities with the strategy of the Humanitarian Country Team (HCT) to assist vulnerable populations near the front line, evacuees, respond rapidly to strikes, and support displaced people. The health response focuses on emergency case management for frostbite and acute respiratory infections, provision of medical supplies for diagnosis and treatment (including pandemic influenza), and intensive care for severe respiratory infections, with the collective effort aiming to reach 98,200 people.

Evacuations Response in Pavlohrad and Kharkiv

In August, intensified military operations triggered the largest displacement of 2025, with over 44,000 people forced to flee for safety, mostly from Donetska oblast. The surge led to overcrowding at the Pavlohrad Transit Center, which registered 11,000 people in a single month, with 440 arrivals daily at its peak. To relieve pressure, authorities relocated the Pavlohrad site and expanded capacity by reopening the Lozova Transit Center on 19 August and opening a new facility in Voloske on 23 August. Temporary evacuation points also remain active in Donetska and Kherson, with the Kherson City site registering over 2,200 people from Ostriv, including children, older persons, and people with disabilities.

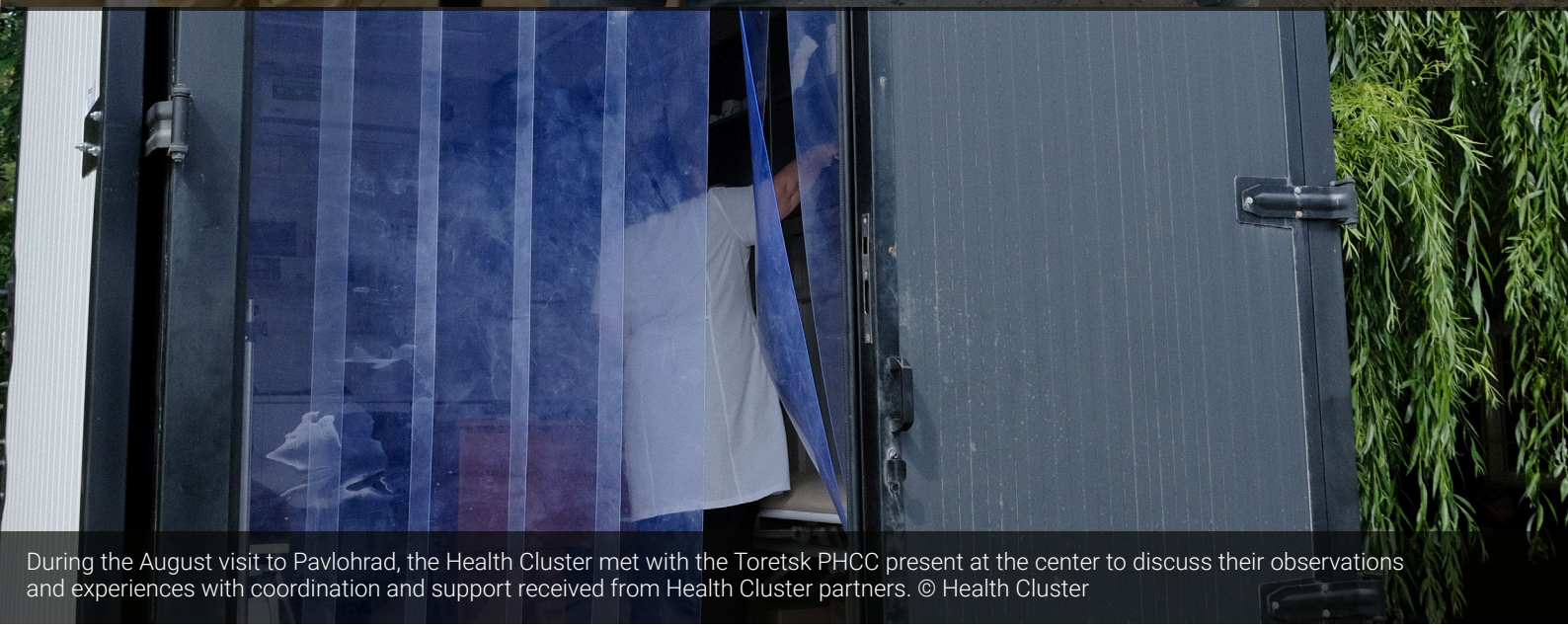
In August, the Health Cluster, together with WHO, conducted on-site assessments at Lozova and Voloske ensure compliance with health standards at the newly opened and reopened transit centers, and to identify gaps where partners could provide targeted support and response. At Lozova, WHO supplied 10 over-the-counter (OTC) health kits, distributed RCCE materials on health care during evacuation, and shared educational resources for children on rabies prevention. At Voloske, WHO RCCE teams disseminated health information on infectious diseases, non-communicable conditions, environmental risks, and other public health priorities.

Across five transit centers in Kharkivska and Dnipropetrovska oblasts (Pavlohrad, Kharkiv City, Dnipro City, Lozova, and Voloske), 16 Health Cluster partners coordinated the deployment of mobile outreach teams to deliver lifesaving primary health care, including mental health and psychosocial support, in collaboration with local authorities. Since January 2025, partners have reached more than 9,500 people with essential services. In addition, three Health Cluster partners are supporting identified health needs in temporary evacuation sites in Kherson, while one partner is providing services at an interim evacuation point in Donetska oblast.

In August, the Health Cluster met with partners to discuss challenges and opportunities in health service delivery and worked closely with the CCCM Cluster on health support needed in planned reopening of new transit centers. © Health Cluster

In August, the Health Cluster, WHO, WHE, with OCHA/UHF, UNFPA, WFP, and the Sr. Gender Advisor, completed a joint two-day mission in Kherson. The visit highlighted frontline health services, including Fortitude UA clinic, and launched the Kherson Area-Based Allocation pilot supporting local organizations. Health remains central to humanitarian response and a key entry point for GBV and CRSV survivors. © Health Cluster

As military operations intensified in Donetska oblast, the Health Cluster and WHO visited three health care facilities less than 20 km from the frontline. The joint visit provided support with WHO standard modules for surgical and outpatient care. All three facilities were facing increased workloads, driven by the evacuation of people from areas closer to the frontline. © WHO/Health Cluster



During the August visit to Pavlohrad, the Health Cluster met with the Toretsk PHCC present at the center to discuss their observations and experiences with coordination and support received from Health Cluster partners. © Health Cluster

PARTNERS' ACHIEVEMENTS

In August, partners in Zaporizhzhia provided psychosocial support to 504 people (335 individual, 128 group sessions), including nine healthcare staff, and delivered rehabilitation services—such as physical and speech therapy, prosthetics, and neuropsychology—to 106 individuals, 16 with disabilities, through 209 consultations. A total of 296 people (17 with disabilities, 237 children) received 376 medicine vouchers, while 54 people (13 with disabilities) accessed diagnostic support and 17 (nine with disabilities) received transport assistance. Additionally, 338 people attended STI/HIV prevention sessions. The organization 100% Life – Zaporizhzhia supported 206 people at risk of ART interruption and successfully re-engaged 25 people back into HIV care, while also enhancing hospital safety through the provision of hazardous waste containers. At the coordination level, the Health and Shelter/NFI Clusters co-chaired Strategic Priority #1 of the 2026 Humanitarian Needs and Response Plan, focused on defining affected areas, multisectoral needs, and response packages under JIAF 2.0.

Since July 2025, with support from UHF through UK-Med, our organization has been implementing the project "Enhancing access to multi-sectoral life-saving and essential humanitarian assistance for war-affected newly displaced and non-displaced people living near the frontline in Ukraine." Four mobile teams—two in Zaporizhzhia and two in Kharkiv—have been working to assess and respond to the needs of the most vulnerable groups, including IDPs, large families, people with disabilities, the elderly, families raising orphaned children, and households affected by the war. By the end of August, 395 beneficiaries across 38 communities received services from psychologists and social consultants, and 65 people accessed legal assistance from CO "100 PERCENT LIFE DNIPRO." Plans are underway to expand support with hygiene and food kits, diapers, assistive devices, and transportation services. While not every individual can be reached immediately, each step strengthens a more inclusive and responsive support system for those affected by the conflict.

In August, Artesans-ResQ Ukraine continued providing 24/7 access to specialist Critical Care Transfer (CCT) services, ensuring safe transport of critically ill adult, pediatric, neonatal, and burn patients from frontline and underserved areas. Patient transfers were coordinated with regional and local EMS, the MoH MCU, and healthcare partners via a 24/7 manned phone line. In August, 150 requests were received, of which 118 transfers were completed, covering 24,000 km and representing the highest monthly completion rate since the project's launch and a notable increase compared with 70 transfers in July. Since its inception on 12 February 2025, the project has completed a total of 480 critical care patient transfers. ARQ successfully delivered 2 two-day critical care training programs for 25 Sumy and Odesa EMS personnel, combining lectures, documentation practice, and simulation-based modules.

In August, the Charitable Organization Medical Aid Committee in Zakarpattya delivered large consignments of specialized aid to healthcare facilities in nine regions of Ukraine, including medical consumables, hygiene products, assistive devices, furniture, vitamins, and building materials. Charging stations were also donated to hospitals in Nikopol, Kherson, and Hrushivka. Within the project "Improving the Protection of Children in Emergencies in Ukraine", implemented with terre des hommes Deutschland e.V. and funded by the German Federal Foreign Office, medical equipment such as a neonatal phototherapy device, patient monitors, and surgical instruments was provided to hospitals in Novhorod-Siverskyi and Novovorontsovka. Under the PHENIX project, carried out with Electricians Without Borders and funded by the French Development Agency, a new heating system is being installed in a hospital in Nyzhnye Selyshche, Zakarpattia region.

In August, Dignitas Ukraine, in partnership with Safe, carried out 983 home s medical consultations for people with disabilities or reduced mobility in 40 localities in the Kharkiv region and 12 collective centres in the city of Kharkiv where internally displaced persons are housed. At the same time, Dignitas Ukraine offered group horse-therapy sessions to 45 children in the Kharkiv region. Dignitas Ukraine and Safe have also carried out an assessment of medical needs and risks in Sumy oblast, with a view to launching a mobile clinic in the region in the end of September.

EMERGENCY continued to ensure uninterrupted access to primary healthcare across frontline and near-frontline rural areas of Donetsk while planned activities in Kharkiv Oblast to start in October. Community Health Workers (CHWs) and feldshers jointly provided consultations, health education, and psychosocial support to conflict-affected populations. In August, 1195 people were reached through home visits and facility-based care, with special attention to elders, people with disabilities, and those with chronic diseases. Biomedical equipment donated earlier (glucometers, sphygmomanometers, pulse oximeters) was actively used, strengthening follow-up and treatment adherence monitoring.EMERGENCY supported an Interim Evacuation Point in Donetsk oblast with daily medical shifts, ensuring primary healthcare and referrals for evacuees in transit. Coordination with local health authorities was reinforced, including preparation of evacuation plans for health facilities within 15 km of the frontline. Finally, needs for winterization were jointly assessed with authorities, with consolidated figures on coal and heating requirements shared with the Health Cluster.

Family Health International (FHI 360) supported 11 mobile teams that provided medical care and psychosocial support to communities in Dnipropetrovsk, Kharkiv, Mykolaiv, and Kherson oblasts. The mobile teams provide medical consultations for patients, carry out diagnostic procedures such as ultrasound and electrocardiograms, prescribe and dispense medications, and make home visits to patients with limited mobility. FHI 360 also brings specialist doctors as part of the mobile teams (e.g., cardiologists, otolaryngologists, endocrinologists, neurologists, gynecologists). In August, FHI 360's mobile teams provided 4,467 outpatient consultations, and specialist doctors provided an additional 702 consultations (the most needed specialties were Gynecologist and Neurologist). 3,120 people received psychological support consultations in mobile teams and primary healthcare centers through individual and group sessions. In August, FHI 360 conducted a SH+ training session in Kharkiv Oblast. A total of 22 individuals participated in the training. One of FHI 360's major priorities is building the capacity of Ukrainian medical professionals. In August, 60 persons were trained on the Mental Health Gap Action Programme (mhGAP) in Dnipro, Mykolaiv, Odessa Oblast.

In August, mobile medical teams from the FRIDA Charity Foundation provided healthcare services in Zaporizhzhia and Sumy oblasts, delivering 972 consultations. The multidisciplinary teams included ophthalmologists, surgeons, neurologists, cardiologists, gynecologists, endocrinologists, dermatologists, and dentists. Diagnostic services such as ultrasounds, gynecological smears, ECGs, and dermatoscopies were also conducted. Psychologists were part of the teams, offering individual mental health consultations. As part of the Little Hearts project, a total of 355 medical consultations were provided at a children's home in Smila, including services from pediatricians, pediatric ENT specialists, dermatologists, and surgeons.

Polish Medical Mission mobile clininc consultation in Sumy oblast. © Polish Medical Mission

Your City providing medical assistance to internally displaced people evacuated from Donetsk region. © Your City Odesa

MTI mobile medical unit in Kherson region.
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Project HOPE mobile medical unit consultation in Chenihiv oblast. © Project HOPE

In August, Humanity & Inclusion (HI) delivered 434 individual rehabilitation sessions in Kharkiv, Dnipro, and Mykolaiv oblasts to 78 new service users. The HI MHPSS team provided 88 individual consultations to 16 new people in distress, including 25% of rehabilitation users and their support persons. 32 group sessions (including 23 Self Help+ sessions and nine sessions on stress and self-care) and 10 MHPSS capacity-building trainings were held for 99 new health staff in Kharkiv, Dnipro and Mykolaiv region.

In August, humedica e.V. continued providing life-saving access to the primary healthcare and MHPSS services for vulnerable people, particularly people with disabilities, older people, and internally displaced people in hard-to-reach rural communities of Dnipropetrovska, Sumska, and Chernihivska Oblasts through mobile medical teams. Funded by the German Federal Foreign Office and Ukraine Humanitarian Fund (UHF), humedica MMUs conducted 1,817 family doctor consultations, including basic diagnostics, treatment, medication prescriptions, paying special attention to awareness raising for patients (455 people) on chronic disease prevention and the importance of regular check-ups: 672 gynaecological consultations including 144 PAP smears and 217 ultrasounds, 66 dental consultations, as well as SRH awareness raising sessions conducted for 279 women. In total, 382 people were referred by MMUs to secondary healthcare specialists or additional diagnostics. Protection services were delivered to people in Sumska, and Chernihivska oblasts. Legal support: 273 people received individual legal consultations, and 522 people were covered by legal awareness raising sessions. 739 received MHPSS consultations and participated in group sessions.

In August, IMC provided over 18,626 outpatient consultations through supported healthcare facilities and mobile medical units across 4 oblasts. Additionally, twelve health facilities received essential medications, consumables, and medical equipment to strengthen service delivery. In collaboration with the Public Health Center, IMC developed and distributed printed materials on intimate hygiene for adolescents for boys and girls. These materials were shared with HFs nationwide. As part of World Breastfeeding Week, IMC participated in the national roundtable "Building Sustainable Breastfeeding Support Systems in Ukraine" and presented key findings from the IYCF surveys, offering evidence-based recommendations to guide future efforts in strengthening breastfeeding support across the country.

In August, the International Rescue Committee (IRC), together with local partners, provided integrated primary and specialized healthcare through mobile medical units in Sumska, Kharkivska, Dnipropetrovska, Khersonska, and Mykolaivska oblasts, delivering 18,059 medical consultations across 70 locations. In addition, 493 MHPSS services were provided to vulnerable people. IRC completed the first phase of its Strengthen Rural Healthcare pilot in Sumy and Mykolaiv oblasts, donating seven 4x4 vehicles and eight prefabricated modular clinics to local health facilities, enabling care delivery to rural and remote communities. Steady supplies of medicines and medical equipment were provided to meet ongoing needs.

In collaboration with the National Medical University of Kharkiv, IRC published the Ukrainian adaptation of the PEN-H toolkit, offering practical guidance to healthcare providers in humanitarian and remote settings for managing noncommunicable diseases, supporting both patient self-care and clinical care for acute conditions.

In August 2025, Medair supported primary healthcare facilities in two communities in Kharkivska Oblast (Lypetska and Prolisnenska) by providing consumables, medical equipment, and office supplies to improve access to healthcare services. Additionally, in August, assistance was approved for the Starosaltivska Hromada PHC in the form of office equipment and consumables for analyzers for the Borivska Hromada. Furthermore, the distribution of walkers, crutches, and wheelchairs for beneficiaries in the Prolisnenska Hromada was completed. In Sumy, Medair delivered multiple training sessions in first aid, bleeding control, and basic resuscitation for 32 medical and social workers in border and frontline communities.

In August, a total of 1,910 primary health care consultations were provided in Dnipropetrovsk, Zaporizhia, Mykolaiv, and Kherson regions through the UHF project. 163 assistive devices were distributed to beneficiaries (67%) in the Zaporizhia region and 33% in Mykolaiv and Kherson regions. In August 2025, a clear trend was observed in individual consultations in MHPSS: anxiety-related concerns ranked first in the consultations, with 108 cases reported and accounting for 8.2% of the total 1,321 consultations provided by the MHPSS team. Two trainings were organized in the Mykolaiv region: First aid training for 17 residents of Voznesensk, and the second training was CHVs facilitation and reporting training in Mykolaiv for 33 CHVs and MTI staff for optimizing basic skills for facilitating group activities with children and adults. MTI facilitated 51 referrals in August, including 4 referrals to psychiatrists, 2 to social services, and 45 to medical specialists, providing coordination, accompaniment, and transportation.

In August 2025, MdM Germany continued providing essential health services in eastern Ukraine, adapting to security challenges in the Lyman and Kramatorsk areas. A total of 6,302 people were reached, including 1,787 unique beneficiaries. The team delivered 1,757 primary healthcare consultations, 580 mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS) consultations, and conducted 44 awareness sessions for 314 participants. Services were provided through seven mobile medical units (MMUs) and three partner MMUs. Four trainings were conducted, including two mhGAP sessions and two workshops on burnout prevention, reaching 52 participants. Additionally, eight deliveries of medical and hygiene supplies were made across Dnipro, Donetsk, and Vinnytsia oblasts. Despite temporarily suspending operations at the Kramatorsk base due to security concerns, MdM Germany ensured continuity of care through adaptive strategies.

In August 2025, MdM Spain reached 5,267 people through a combination of static and mobile services across Kharkivska and Zaporizka oblasts. The MHPSS team conducted 740 consultations at 23 locations and delivered 13 training sessions—including PM+, mhGAP, GBV prevention, and DWM—with over 30 participants completing the PM+ program. Three donations of cleaning and accommodation kits were provided to social and psychoneurological facilities. Five mobile medical units offered primary and sexual and reproductive health care, delivering 2,298 primary healthcare consultations and 1,050 SRH consultations. Preparedness measures included relocating training venues due to drone attacks in Zaporizhzhia. MdM Spain also co-chaired the MHPSS Technical Working Group in Kyiv and strengthened partnerships under the national mental health program "How are You?"

In August 2025, Nova Ukraine began distributing three new containers from Medical Bridges, containing 415,455 medical consumables and equipment, with ten orders already delivered. In partnership with Patients of Ukraine, the team supported 27 healthcare facilities with 24,102 units of medicines and medical supplies and provided 1,964 orthopedic trauma devices to 14 institutions. Oncology patients received 47 packs of targeted therapy, while stabilization points were supplied with 5,013 items of equipment, consumables, and medicines. Nova Ukraine also strengthened medical evacuation capacity by providing 16 rehabilitation devices to 10 recipients, radio-electronic safety systems for evacuation crews, three protective modules, and a ground robotic evacuation complex. To improve trauma care, the organization collaborated with partners to supply tactical medicine kits, backpacks, and first aid supplies. The Ukraine Without Pain program expanded, launching new stages focused on rehabilitation training, development of a digital pain assessment tool (R-PAT), and upcoming specialized courses on trauma-related pain management.

Peace Winds Japan (PWJ) and Eleos-Ukraine operate a Family Center in the city of Zviahel, Zhytomyr region through the fund from Ministry of Foreign Affair in Japan (MoFA). The Center provides psychosocial, social, and legal support to women, children, internally displaced persons (IDPs), as well as individuals affected by the war and domestic violence. In August 2025, the project reached 369 people. A total of 453 services were delivered, including individual psychological counseling, case management, legal consultations, and group sessions facilitated by a psychologist. The team also conducted awareness-raising visits to two communities (Pishchivska and Stryivska communities – Hulsk village), expanding access to services. Key topics addressed in August included support for adolescents, women's mental health, legal awareness for teenagers, and assistance for families of military personnel. In September, the team is preparing to launch the work of a psychologist for veterans and a child rehabilitation specialist.

In August 2025, Project HOPE maintained the delivery of essential health services across Ukraine, with a continued focus on rural and frontline communities in 9 oblasts. 42 mobile medical units provided 58,166 consultations to 19,486 people (38% men, 62% women), while 4 ambulances conducted 752 emergency transports across three frontline regions (9 ambulances were donated to the 3 regional EMS centers). Staff-support grants at 33 hospitals helped retain or hire core personnel, enabling 55,211 consultations for 16,826 individuals (43% men, 57% women). Capacity building continued with training for 39 nurses. To strengthen WASH in health facilities, 4 boreholes were rehabilitated, restoring safe drinking water for approximately 13,241 people, and 278 hygiene kits were delivered to clinics. Mental health and psychosocial support also remained integral to the response, with 5,217consultations provided through 17 mobile units and 23 staff-supported facilities.

In August, the mobile medical teams of the Polish Medical Mission (PMM) continued their work in the Sumy and Kharkiv regions. During the month, 949 medical consultations were provided, including consultations with a cardiologist and an endocrinologist. In addition, 97 psychological consultations were conducted. Also in August, the PMM laboratory carried out testing for 133 beneficiaries from the Sumy and Kharkiv regions.As part of the Neonatal Project, implemented with the support of the Polish Ministry of Foreign Affairs, 12 trainings were held in maternity hospitals and perinatal centers across Ukraine.

In August, UK-MED, with support from the Ukrainian Humanitarian Fund (UHF), continued delivering essential healthcare services in Kharkiv and Zaporizhzhia regions. Mobile medical units provided 1,795 consultations to people living near the frontline and evacuees in shelters and transit centers. Psychologists offered nearly 300 individual consultations and facilitated group sessions for 165 participants, while clinical psychologists working in healthcare facilities supported medical staff and conducted 87 consultations. To strengthen local capacity, 335 healthcare workers, first responders, and community members completed training in first aid, psychological support, infection control, and wound care. Partner hospitals also received critical equipment and supplies to treat people wounded in the hostilities.

The Your City Fund continues to provide sustainable healthcare support for vulnerable populations affected by the war. In August, the Charity Doctor Medical Center delivered 977 free primary and specialized services to 376 internally displaced persons (IDPs) in Odesa, including examinations, diagnostics, and electronic prescriptions. In inpatient centers, 1,497 people received essential medicines, including 133 patients with costly treatments, while 112 were referred under the "Affordable Medicines" program. As part of a joint mission with OCHA UN, newly arrived IDPs from Donetsk region received first psychological aid, medical, and medication support. Your City Mental Health Center assisted 210 people through individual consultations and 14 group events, engaging 147 participants in support groups, therapy sessions, and activities for children and veterans. Cooperation with the Odesa Regional Employment Center began to link psychosocial support with job opportunities for IDPs, while continuous training was provided to strengthen the capacity of medical workers.

From July 27 to August 2, 2025, the NGO "Ukrainian Smile" organized the summer camp "Smile – 2025" for children with cleft in Khmilnyk, Vinnytsia region. During the camp, 12 children with their parents from 10 regions of Ukraine received specialized speech therapy and psychological support from specialists of Ohmatdyt National Children's Hospital. The camp program, in addition to speech therapy and psychological sessions, included creative workshops, games, and excursions. Children acquired new skills and experienced an atmosphere of unity, friendship, and acceptance. This contributed to their psychological recovery, improved mood, and a more positive attitude toward their condition. Parents received practical knowledge and tools to continue supporting treatment at home. The camp became an important part of the comprehensive rehabilitation within the project "Voice Without Borders: Speech Therapy Support for Children with Cleft", implemented since March 2025 by the NGO "Ukrainian Smile".

In August, ZDOROVI donated psychotropic medicines to hospitals in Dnipropetrovsk, Sumy, Mykolaiv, Chernihiv, Kharkiv, Zaporizhzhia, Kherson, and Odesa regions. Modern ophthalmic equipment and consumables were also delivered to a hospital in Sumy, expanding doctors' capabilities and improving patient care. Another stage of the Doctor & Veteran project was completed — 506 medical professionals in 12 hospitals received training on effective communication with patients affected by the war. To ensure wider access, the training is also available as an online course through the NSZU Academy. The Doctor Reboot project launched a new online course on psychological support for healthcare workers. The training covers first psychological aid, strategies for preventing burnout, and practical tools for self-care and resilience.

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- Public Health Situation Analysis - August 2025
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- Partner Response to Evacuations #8
- Funding Situation Update, August 2025
- Advocacy Note for Winter Health Funding
- Winter Response Plan 2025-2026

KEY RESOURCES