ADDRESSING GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE

- **UNFPA supports 16 Orange Safe Spaces across Moldova and a mobile team** to conduct outreach activities targeting the refugees and host communities in the Northern region.

  The Orange Safe Spaces are run by professional psychologists and social workers to provide **individual and group-based counseling, awareness raising** on topics like anxiety, family tensions, mother-child relationships, stress management, LGBTI rights, **trafficking and sexual abuse, sexual and reproductive health** (SRH), as well as **referral to specialized gender-based violence (GBV) services** for further support. Visitors of the Orange Safe Spaces also have access to recreational activities and skills building sessions.

- During this period, UNFPA partners Artemida, Home Care, Youth Media Center, and Pro Didactica, **reached 4189 persons** through the various services offered by the Orange Safe Space for women, youth and older persons, including the outreach activities.

- The partners also distributed **557 dignity kits** to women and girls from the refugees and host communities, including menstrual hygiene items. The dissemination of the dignity kits serves as an entry point to share information on GBV including the types of GBV, the available support services for survivors and information on SRH rights and existing services.

- One more static Youth Orange Safe Space has been opened in the refugee accommodation center for Roma people within the State University.
To date, 16 Orange Safe Spaces across Moldova offer support to women, youth and older persons, as well as a mobile team covering the most remote areas in nine regions of Moldova.
ENSURING SAFE BIRTH & REPRODUCTIVE HEALTH

- UNFPA, in close collaboration and support from the Ministry of Health (MOH) and the Institute of Mother and Child, **conducted the assessment of nine Perinatal Centers** to understand the capacities and needs of Perinatal Centers in nine strategic medical institutions and the need to upgrade their equipment and technical capacities. The findings resulted in the identification of key equipment and supplies that UNFPA will procure to reinforce their capacities to deliver quality sexual and reproductive health services to the affected population, including Ukraine refugees.

- More than **3,000 monthly grants will be disbursed to pregnant and lactating women refugees** through the Cash and Voucher Assistance. UNFPA is part of the Emergency cash grant program, a collaborative effort led by the Government of the Republic of Moldova, supported by UNHCR and partner UN agencies, NGOs and other actors.

- UNFPA distributed **121 post-rape treatment kits** throughout the country for adult and child survivors of gender-based violence, and continues to deliver in-person trainings to the SRH service providers in 27 medical institutions on post-rape treatment, gender-based violence and psychosocial support. To date, **more than 2,000 doctors have been trained**.

INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

- UNFPA advocates for prioritizing sexual and reproductive health and strengthening the health sector response to gender-based violence through the **Health Working Group**, which brings together the main humanitarian actors, United Nations agencies and representatives of the Ministry of Health and the National Health Insurance Company. UNFPA participated in the **assessment of Primary Health Care facilities**, including the Youth Friendly Health Klinics in July to identify the needs and with the potential to support these facilities.

- **UNFPA co-leads the Interagency Gender-based violence (GBV) Sub-Working Group (SWG)** with UNHCR, which brings over 51 national and international organisations, women led organizations, and government entities under the Protection Working Group. The objective of the GBV SWG is to strengthen GBV prevention, risk mitigation and response and to facilitate the multi sectoral interagency action during humanitarian settings.

  The GBV SWG is disseminating the Romanian and Russian versions of the GBV Pocket Guide on how non-GBV actors can support survivors of GBV. The GBV Pocket Guide can be accessed at the GBV Area of Responsibility [website](#). The GBV SWG updates and disseminates the GBV referral pathways on a monthly basis and will launch in August a capacity building plan targeting the members of the GBV SWG and other working groups.
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YOUTH AND ADOLESCENTS

- UNFPA partner National Youth Council organized the Youth Summer School, which was attended by 30 young people from Ukraine and Republic of Moldova. During four days, young people were involved in non-formal educational activities focused on building trust, resilience, intercultural dialogue and social cohesion with the aim of social integration of young refugees.

- Twenty Moldovan youth volunteers had the opportunity to gain skills on working with the youth refugees, effective communication in times of crisis, and were sensitized on gender-based violence prevention aspects. UNFPA supported capacity building training for the young volunteers that was organized by the National Youth Council from Moldova.

- Eleven Youth Centers kicked off the mobile youth outreach activities with young people, including refugees in the most remote communities all over the country. The program started in July and aims to reach more than 2000 young people, including refugees aged 14 - 25 years old.

At first, the Ukrainian and Moldovan youth were in separate groups. But joint activities, sessions and social games brought us closer and we got to know each other.

I believe that joint events contribute to cohesion and integration.

Ariadna Bovkun
16 years old from Kharkiv region

UNFPA MOLDOVA FUNDING REQUEST & STATUS*

- UNFPA urgently needs flexible financing to scale its operations in Ukraine and neighboring countries. UNFPA requires additional funds to ensure rights and choices of refugee women, youth and older persons in the Republic of Moldova, including to prepare and address the adverse effects of upcoming winter season.

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