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This newsletter reflects the activity of the UNFPA Moldova Office during the month of November 2023.

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# Gender Equality & Ending Gender Based Violence

The 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence campaign takes place in the Republic of Moldova between November 25 and December 10.



# UNFPA Moldova launches "Bodyright - a global movement against digital violence". Singer and songwriter Dara is the Ambassador of the campaign

"Without my consent, it's not your content". Under this slogan, UNFPA Moldova, alongside various national and international partners, has initiated the global awareness and mobilization campaign against digital violence - "Bodyright", in the Republic of Moldova. The campaign launch event, organized on the eve of the 16 Days of Activism against Gender-Based Violence, aimed to create a powerful movement against online abuse.

#### Learn more



## UNFPA and NGO "Artemida" pioneer new cash assistance mechanism to empower survivors of gender-based violence

According to NGO "Artemida", until now, around 300 women have participated in the pilot program, and the financial aid was a lifeline for most of them. The financial aid component is just one facet of a comprehensive gender-based violence case

management strategy, encompassing six key stages: case identification, needs assessment, case action plan, connection and referral to other services, case monitoring, and supervision.

#### More results here



## UNFPA and EU Grant Programme empowers local organizations to scale up GBV prevention

Five women-led organizations have successfully expanded their gender-based violence (GBV) prevention initiatives through a Grant Programme supported by the UNFPA and the European Union (EU), in collaboration with the Gender Center NGO. The programs primarily aimed at fostering social cohesion between refugees and host families, while also raising awareness about gender-based violence and the available services for refugees and host communities.

### Find out more



"Don't blame the clothes": UNFPA and Women's Law Center bring the documentary-exhibit on sexual violence to the National Institute of Justice The documentary exhibition with the generic title "Don't blame the clothes" presents the reconstructed clothes of nine women and teenage girls from the Republic of Moldova, at the time they were sexually abused or harassed. The exhibition set up in the premises of the National Institute of Justice (INJ) in partnership with the Women's Law Center (CDF) and in collaboration with UNFPA Moldova, draws attention to the stereotypes in our society, which hover around the phenomenon of sexual violence, with the aim of combating them.

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## Six women and youth from Ukraine have told their stories and emotional experiences within the "Life on Pause" project

The war has drawn a line dividing human life into "before" and "after", but until the war is over, many people's lives are stuck somewhere in the middle, in a "stand by" mode, in other words, paused. What is it like to live without knowing what will happen tomorrow? The "Life on pause" captures the emotional experience of every refugee we had a chance to interview, who share a feeling of emotional stagnation and uncertainty in their life.

Read the stories here



# Sexual and Reproductive Health & Rights

## LAUNCH OF THE NATIONAL COLPOSCOPY NETWORK

## COLPOSCOPY CABINETS IN THE REPUBLIC

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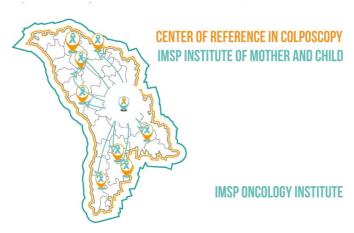
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## Colposcopy services for the prevention of cervical cancer have expanded across the country, closer to women

UNFPA Moldova in collaboration with the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Moldova has expanded access to colposcopy services by modernizing 12 colposcopy units throughout the country. The modernization of these colposcopy units marks a significant change in the approach to the diagnosis of cervical cancer. This will help reduce the incidence of cervical cancer by early identification of precancerous lesions.

#### Find out more



## Nine maternity hospitals in the country received modern ambulances from the Ministry of Health, donated by UNFPA and European Union

The donation includes 9 new Type A ambulances, equipped with high-performance equipment, for the planned transport of patients from district maternity hospitals to hospitals in Chişinău. The ambulances will facilitate fast transfer to specialized centers for women at risk of complications and premature birth, resulting in improved patient health by ensuring rapid access to specialized care and efficient use of existing resources.



# Population and Demographic Resilience



The National Bureau of Statistics and UNFPA Moldova signed a Memorandum to expand collaboration in the field of social and demographic statistics

The National Bureau of Statistics and UNFPA Moldova have signed a MoU for the period 2023-2027, which provides for the strengthening of the partnership established over the years, especially in terms of the use of innovative technologies for the collection and production of quality official statistical data. At the same time, the document provides for the streamlining of the process of preparing and carrying out the Population and Housing Census planned for 2024, but also for carrying out statistical research and data collection in the field of family violence.

Find out more



Viorica Dragan, Pilot Census enumerator: in virtue of data collection on tablets,

### I was much more efficient, and people were more responsive

Viorica Dragan is 46 years old and lives in Chișinău. She is one of over 100 temporary enumerators employed by the National Bureau of Statistics (NBS) as part of the Pilot Census, conducted from August 28 to October 10, 2023. Viorica was responsible for the enumeration of several residential blocks in the Ciocana sector of the capital, describing the experience as unique.

### **Read full story**



UNFPA and the Institute of Public Administration signed a Memorandum of Understanding for 2023-2026

The document provides capacity building and training of civil servants by integrating a new course into their continuing professional training program to use

demographic data, including population forecasts, in planning inclusive policies at the national and local level, considering population trends and public service needs.

Find out more



## **Adolescents and Youth Empowerment**



## Vocational technical education students are better prepared for employment, due to soft skills and healthy behaviors

Over 12,000 students in technical vocational education, approximately 1,400 employees, and hundreds of parents have been part of the program "Development of soft skills and healthy behaviors of students in technical vocational education for better job readiness". The program's results were presented at an event organized by UNFPA, bringing together representatives from the Ministry of Education and Research, VET institutions, the business environment, non-governmental organizations, and youth.

Find out more



# UNFPA and The Moldova Project empower adolescents and young people from vulnerable families to know their rights and prevent violence

Valeria is a teenager. She is 14 years old and lives only with her mother. She has never known the care and love of a father and what a strong family should look like. Her mother hasn't discussed much with her about intimate life, romantic relationships, or the emotional states through which adolescents go. Recently, the young girl, along with a few friends and classmates, participated in a training course in reproductive health organized by The Moldova Project, in partnership with UNFPA and the financial support of the Government of Norway. There, she learned useful things and found answers to several questions.

Read Valeria's story



National campaign "Schools that inspire": Discover the best Moldovan schools, nurturing a safe environment for students

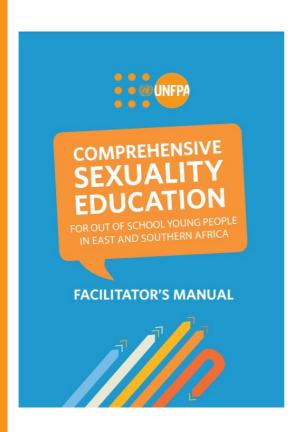
### and teachers

UNFPA in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Research, the Media Youth Center and Suntparinte.md, with the financial support of Great Britain and Sweden, is running the "Schools that inspire" campaign, which presents several friendly educational institutions for both students, teachers and non-teaching staff. Hence, during the months of November and December, the campaign will promote videos, posts and articles about schools that inspire through programs and initiatives aimed at contributing to the physical and psycho-emotional well-being of each person in the school environment.

Watch videos



## **Recent Publications**



## Comprehensive sexuality education for out of school young people

Using this manual, trained facilitators, including experienced youth leaders, can help young people to gain the knowledge, attitudes and skills they need to make healthy decisions and to communicate their choices clearly.

The manual uses interactive, participatory activities to help young people gain new information and skills. Existing programmes for young people can incorporate any or all of the activities included here into their on-going activities.

See the full manual here.



## **Our Vacancies**

Programme Associate, Chisinau, Moldova, Fixed Term Appointment, G6

(2 positions)

Job title: Programme Associate

Position Level: Fixed Term Appointment, G6 Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Full/Part time: Full-time

Deadline: December 6, 2023

#### Resources Associate, Chisinau, Fixed Term Human Moldova, Appointment, G6

Job title: Human Resources Associate Position Level: Fixed Term Appointment, G6 Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Full/Part time: Full-time

Deadline: December 6, 2023

## Procurement Analyst, Chisinau, Moldova, Fixed Term Appointment, NO-A

Job title: Procurement Analyst

Position Level: Fixed Term Appointment, NO-A

Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Deadline: December 6, 2023

Full/Part time: Full-time

## Programme Analyst on Gender Based Violence, Chisinau, Moldova, Fixed Term Appointment, NO-B

Job title: Programme Analyst on Gender Based Violence

Position Level: Fixed Term Appointment, NO-B

Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Full/Part time: Full-time

Deadline: December 6, 2023

## Programme Analyst on Sexual Reproductive Health, Chisinau, Moldova, Fixed Term Appointment, NO-B

Job title: Programme Analyst on Sexual Reproductive Health

Position Level: Fixed Term Appointment, NO-B

Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Full/Part time: Full-time

Deadline: December 6, 2023

## Communication Manager on Youth Programmes, Chisinau, Moldova, **Service Contract, SB4.3**

Job title: Communication Manager on Youth Programmes

Position Level: Service Contract, SB4.3 Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova

Full/Part time: Full-time

Deadline: December 6, 2023

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