The United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA) is the lead United Nations agency for delivering a world where every pregnancy is wanted, every childbirth is safe and every young person’s potential is fulfilled.

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

Enjoy reading!
Better reproductive health services for women in detention

The renovation and equipment of the gynecological office in the Medical unit of Penitentiary No. 13 from Chișinău will favor the development of the quality of medical services offered to women in detention and pregnant women. It will also ensure a good activity of the medical staff in the penitentiary institution.

Modern teaching equipment for students, residents and reproductive health practitioners provided by UNFPA

The partnership between the Ministry of Health and UNFPA Moldova contributes to the improvement of the medical education process and increases the quality of medical services in the field of sexual and reproductive health in the Republic of Moldova. On
September 27, an important event took place, during which modern teaching equipment, consisting of medical mannequins, was transferred to medical education institutions throughout the country.

Statement: World Contraception Day is about freedom of choice and body autonomy

Contraception is not about pills, condoms, or fertility control. Contraception is about planning your future. It should not be about stigma, taboo, or shame. Family planning and access to contraception is indeed about freedom of choice, body autonomy and human rights.
The Moldova progress towards population and housing census of 2024 profiled during Census Week in Geneva

The experience of the National Bureau of Statistics of the Republic of Moldova in preparing the population and housing census of 2024 was presented during Census Week, held in Geneva, Switzerland, from 18 to 22 September, under the aegis of the United Nations Economic Commission for Europe (UNECE) and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA). The Republic of Moldova was represented by a delegation including representatives of the National Bureau of Statistics, UNFPA Moldova and the National Institute of Economic Research.

Find out more

From Netherlands to Moldova: Digital skills connect family generations
Oxana Greadcenco is a Moldovan journalist who has been living in Amsterdam, the Netherlands, for many years. Oxana's grandfather, Ion Vengher, is 72 years old. He's an advocate for active ageing – he rides his bicycle and uses the high-performance mobile phone he received as a gift from his daughters. From the very first week, he felt that his life had transformed after learning how to use the phone.

Gender Equality & Ending Gender Based Violence

How a Safe Space in Moldova offers comprehensive reproductive health education for Roma refugees fleeing Ukraine

Sahin Rădiță, a coordinator at a Safe Space run by UNFPA in Chișinău, said the facility manages to strike a balance between the need for sexual and reproductive health information and respecting Roma norms and values: „Our services are welcome, even necessary, but they require a specific approach, taking into account Roma culture and customs”, he said.
UNFPA Safe Spaces offer a lifeline to refugees with disabilities, providing skills, support and belonging

The war in Ukraine forced hundreds of thousands of people to leave their homes and continue their lives far from their homeland. Ludmila and Vasili Stasinet, a couple of refugees from Ukraine embraced a new life in Moldova, learning Romanian and now offering massages for livelihood.

Watch their story

Adolescents and Youth Empowerment

Teachers and students from vocational institutions speak up for the importance of life-skills education for their development and job readiness
Representatives of the Ministry of Education and Research, managers and teachers from 12 professional-technical institutions (VET), young people from the Network of Peer-to-Peer Educators from VET, as well as program specialists from the UN Population Fund (UNFPA) and the Austrian Development Agency (ADA) met on September 14 in a coordination meeting on the results of the joint project „Develop life skills and healthy behaviors among students in vocational education and training for their development and job readiness“.

UNFPA presented health educational teaching resources at the „2023 Teacher of the Year“ Awards Gala

More than 4,500 teachers from all over the country gathered on Saturday, September 30, in Chișinău, to participate in the „ Teacher of the Year 2023“ Awards Gala, organized by the Ministry of Education and Research. The event also included a fair of educational opportunities for teachers. The UNFPA team was present at this fair with a series of educational resources in the field of health education and life skills for general and vocational-technical education, developed in partnership with the Ministry of Education and Research.

Humanitarian Response Data Insights
Recent Publications

Improving access to life-saving health and gender-based violence response services for Ukrainian Refugees and vulnerable host communities

In Moldova, refugees are dispersed across communities throughout the country, seeking healthcare, social services, and GBV support at district, municipal, and national facilities. Many subnational maternal and reproductive health facilities are outdated. Given that a significant proportion of the refugees are women, it’s estimated that out of the approximately 100,000 refugees, up to 2,000 women will require perinatal care, and many more will urgently need gynecological assistance, including
immediate medical attention for sexual violence survivors.

Read full factsheet here.

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Our Vacancies

UNFPA Finance and Administrative Coordinator on Data Governance, Chisinau, Moldova, Service Contract, SB3.4

Job title: Finance and Administrative Coordinator on Data Governance  
Position Level: Service Contract, SB3.4  
Location: Chisinau, Republic of Moldova  
Full/Part time: Full-time  
**Deadline: October 12, 2023**

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