

Building Private Sector Partnerships to Re-Establish Midwifery Services in Aceh

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Midwives in Aceh

- Prior to tsunami, approximately 5,500 midwives providing services in public and private sector
- Midwives provide 80-90% of maternal and newborn care in both the public and private sector
- Approximately 400 midwives lost their lives or remain missing in Aceh







Short term Emergency Relief

- Providing health services to women and children in camps
- Re-establishing services at referral hospitals
- Emotional support for midwives to assist them to return to clinical practice



Longterm Rebuilding of Health Systems

- Rebuilding and strengthening of Community Health Centers (*puskesmas*) and Village Maternity Homes (*polindes*)
- Revitalization and strengthening of private midwife practices
- Rebuilding and strengthening midwifery schools



Bridging Resources

- JHPIEGO's expertise, experience, and relationships could enable private corporations to channel their resources where most needed
- JHPIEGO and partners have needs for products, services, and funds from corporations



Accessing Private Resources

- Making contacts
- Building relationships/trust
- Proposing support/programs
- Awaiting approval



What can be done better

- Building relationships sooner
- Minimizing approval time
- Remaining flexible when situation is rapidly changing
- Recognizing time commitment from staff



Our questions

- In-kind versus financial
- Short term versus longterm
- Choosing which corporations to pursue



