

IPPF/WHR MEDIA KIT

ABOUT IPPF/WHR

IPPF/WHR is a recognized leader in the international movement to ensure access to sexual and reproductive health care as a human right for all. In partnership with 40 local Member Associations in the Americas and the Caribbean, we provide nearly 29 million services a year and work to secure government policies that uphold human rights and improve people's lives. Our talented and dedicated staff speak 20 languages, come from 16 countries, and have a wide range of expertise, including medicine and human rights.

An early pioneer in the introduction of family planning services in Latin America and the Caribbean, IPPF/WHR continues to respond to the tremendous need for sexual and reproductive health and rights in the region including HIV/AIDS services, safe abortion services and programs to prevent gender-based violence. In 2011, our network of Member Associations in 40 countries:

- Provided more than 29 million services.
- Secured 41 national policies and legislation in support of sexual and reproductive rights and health in Latin America and the Caribbean.
- Provided more than 40 million condoms and more than 366,000 abortion-related services.
- Provided five million services related to sexually transmitted infections, such as HIV.

OUR MISSION

IPPF/WHR aims to improve the quality of life of individuals by campaigning for sexual and reproductive health and rights through advocacy and services, especially for poor and vulnerable people. We defend the right of all young people to enjoy their sexual lives free from ill health, unwanted pregnancy, violence and discrimination. We support a woman's right to choose to terminate her pregnancy legally and safely. We strive to eliminate sexually transmitted infections and reduce the spread and impact of HIV/AIDS.

WHO TO CONTACT

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We envision a world in which all people have access to the information and services they need. A world in which sexuality is recognized as a natural, precious aspect of life and a fundamental human right.