ENHANCING THE CAPACITIES OF THE HOSPITAL STAFF IN KINSHASA, DRC, IN MATERNAL, NEWBORN AND CHILD HEALTH SERVICES

Limete district in Kinshasa, the capital of the Democratic Republic of the Congo



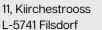
### **Current situation**

The Moyi mwa Ntongo Medical Center, built in 2006, inaugurated its maternity and pediatric ward in 2016. The center enjoys a good reputation and wide social acceptance in the neighborhood and beyond. An average of 200 patients a day visit the center, and in the maternity ward there are up to 40 births a month.



# **Background**

In the DRC, there are only few staff with specific skills in maternal and neonatal health. To this end, various professional trainings are offered to the staff of the medical center. In addition, the medical center's specialists plan to train six other AMU partner hospitals in obstetrical gynecologic ultrasound, followed by an internship over several months.



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In D.R. Congo, at least 4 women die every hour from complications during pregnancy and childbirth. 23 newborns die every day due to complications at the time of birth. (UNFPA, 2021)

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## **Activities of the project**

In order to reduce maternal and neonatal mortality rates, the following trainings are planned:

- 1.Improvement of human resources, financial and pharmaceutical management
- 2. Professional training for maternal, neonatal and child health services
- 3. Equipment of the medical center (ultrasound machine, computers, didactical material)
- 4. Professional training in gynecological and obstetrical ultrasound for the various AMU partner hospitals

#### **Beneficiaries**

The project directly benefits to:

- 30 staff members trained in primary health care management
- 40 staff members trained in maternal, neonatal and child emergencies
- 15 staff members trained in gynecological and obstetrical ultrasound

Indirectly, the project will benefit approximately 425 other medical staff from the different organizations as well as the many patients that the 7 hospitals receive.



## **Project funding**

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