



UGA-WCL-TMR-D02, Uganda  
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## Training Material for Reproductive Health

**Budget:** \$8540 – fully funded

**Update:**

This project provided seed funding to purchase materials to create 20 training kits on reproductive health. The kits contain a model pelvis, two dolls, magnetic charts for illustrating the reproductive organs, flip charts and other equipment to enable trainers to explain reproductive health to local communities throughout Uganda. Our partner trains trainers to use the kits and these trainers then reach out into their areas of influence with much needed reproductive health information.



Joyce, the main Ugandan trainer, with kit materials

By building up stock of the training kits, our partner will be able to sell these and use the profits to create more kits, thus becoming self-sustaining. The report back from an earlier lot of kits produced is that they have indeed been sold, and the proceeds used to buy materials for the next lot of kits.

Funds from this grant have purchased most of the kit material, with the final elements to be purchased in Uganda in November (where possible, all material is sourced locally, but demonstration dolls, the magnetic boards and the model pelvis are not available in Uganda). In an exciting development, the flip charts have been translated into Swahili for use in Tanzania and Kenya, and 15 Swahili flip charts have been printed. Eleven of these have been pre-purchased already in preparation for a train-the-trainer session in November!

When our partner originally came to us, they were working solely in Uganda. Then they started working in Ethiopia, and now Tanzania, Malawi and Kenya. We are thrilled that we have been able to be part of this expansion. While the kits are the outputs, it is the outcomes we are most excited about. We want to share just one story which shows the impact the training is having on the local community:



Alice, sharing her story with a trainer

*I am Alice Magombe 46 years old with 3 sons, 5 daughters and 3 grand children. I appreciate the training on parenting, puberty and empowerment. The trainings have changed my parenting styles for I used to think that beating a child was okay whenever they made a mistake but after the training I started to do more of guiding and training, this has led to improved relationship with my children. I also used to fear giving my children information on reproductive health and it was the reason for my older daughters and son early sex and marriage behaviours. I have begun teaching the ones not yet married and I see a great improvement in communication about reproductive health life.*

Over the last six months 600 people have received either some or all of the training modules on reproductive health, wise decision making, self-esteem and family relationships. Lives are being changed and communities transformed, one trainee at a time. The kits are facilitating this and we want to say thank you – you are now impacting untold hundreds in Uganda, Ethiopia, Kenya, Malawi and Tanzania!