



# Conflict in Ukraine

## Situation Report #43

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### Situation Overview

As the war in Ukraine continues to escalate, people in Ukraine are facing the acute impacts of prolonged conflict. Escalated attacks are killing and injuring civilians, including a **devastating strike on Ukraine’s largest children’s hospital**. In addition, airstrikes continue to damage homes, hospitals, schools, energy facilities, and essential infrastructure. In light of these realities, people in front-line communities are being forced to move within and outside the country to find **safety and stability for their families**.

Since February 2022, there have been 1,911 verified attacks on Ukraine’s health system, including attacks on health infrastructure, patients receiving care, medical transportation, supplies, and health workers. **The World Health Organization** highlights that the situation is especially grave in areas near the front lines or those recently reclaimed by the Ukrainian government. **Almost half of the health facilities in eastern and southern Ukraine — in Donetsk, Zaporizhzhia, Mykolaiv, Kherson and Kharkiv oblasts — are either partially or completely non-functional**. People who remain in these regions, including older adults, people with limited mobility, and people with disabilities, have **complex health care needs** that the current health system is struggling to address.

### KEY HIGHLIGHTS



Since the conflict erupted in 2022, around **6.6 million** Ukrainians have become refugees and **3.5 million** Ukrainians have been internally displaced. More than **953,000** Ukrainian refugees are recorded in Poland and over **123,000** are living in Moldova.



Our team in Ukraine continues to focus on providing critical support to **conflict-affected communities near the front lines** in eastern and southern Ukraine, where individuals are often without access to **primary health, WASH, and MHPSS services**.



Project HOPE teams in **Poland and Moldova** continue to address gaps in essential services, including **primary health, MHPSS, and protection services** for refugees and host community members.

In response, Project HOPE's team in Ukraine is delivering humanitarian aid and essential services, focusing on the needs of front-line communities. Additionally, our regional team is supporting the primary health and mental health needs of Ukrainian refugees in Poland and Moldova.

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## PROJECT HOPE'S RESPONSE

Project HOPE continues to implement a highly coordinated, comprehensive humanitarian intervention in Ukraine and the neighboring countries of Moldova and Poland. **In Ukraine**, Project HOPE's humanitarian assistance focuses on supporting local primary and secondary health facilities with essential medicine, medical supplies, and equipment, as well as reconstruction projects. Project HOPE is also addressing mental health and psychosocial support (MHPSS); protection; water, sanitation, and hygiene (WASH); and winterization needs to improve humanitarian conditions for those most affected by this crisis.

**In Moldova and Poland**, the team is working to address gaps in essential services for refugees and selected host communities, including primary health, MHPSS, and protection services. In all areas of our response, Project HOPE works closely with government officials, local partners, and coordination clusters (groups of humanitarian organizations coordinating relief work across multiple sectors) to ensure that our efforts address the most pressing needs. The following pages outline the impact of our response activities to date.

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## Ukraine Update

- **Provided humanitarian assistance to 436 facilities to date**, including 345 health facilities, 11 centers for internally displaced people (IDPs), 59 local administrations, and 21 non-governmental organizations in 23 oblasts — with **56,926 pharmaceutical items** provided to **20 facilities** across **seven oblasts** in the second quarter of 2024.
- Distributed over **88,132 winterization supplies and non-food items to date**, including thermal clothes, electrical heaters, kettles, mattresses, pillows, blankets, bed linens, and solid fuel to 87 health and social service facilities.
- Delivered and installed **234 generators** to date, strengthening the capacity of **128 facilities**.
- **Delivered nine ambulances** to date for first responders in Kherson, Kharkiv, and Dnipro oblasts, supporting a total of **14,166 patient transportations** to date and 4,038 transportations in the second quarter of 2024.
- Provided **MHPSS services** to **171,031** Ukrainians at four IDP centers, seven MHPSS sites established by Project HOPE, 31 hospitals, and through online consultations to date — reaching **18,878 participants** in the second quarter of 2024.



Inna Kholodnyak, Hospital Director at the Kherson Regional Children's Clinical Hospital, shows Project HOPE team members recently damaged ambulances. Photo by Nikita Hlazyrin for Project HOPE, 2024.



Project HOPE staff training a health worker in Basic Life Support at Dobropillya Primary Healthcare Center in Donetsk. Photo by Stanislav Vierbii for Project HOPE, 2024.



Project HOPE has launched **49 mobile medical units (MMUs)** to date that have provided **690,102 medical consultations** (including 11,888 mental health consultations) to **392,222 patients** in the Zaporizhzhia, Odesa, Mykolaiv, Kherson, Donetsk, and Kharkiv oblasts — with MMUs reaching **40,007 patients** in the second quarter of 2024 through **136,730 consultations**.

- Through **surge staff**, provided a total of **946,473 medical consultations** to **416,523 patients** in 35 health facilities across Ukraine to date — reaching **70,766 patients** in the second quarter of 2024 through **181,001 consultations**.
- Provided **gender-based violence response** services to **38,988 people** to date to protect survivors — reaching **3,767** participants in the second quarter of 2024.
- Distributed **152,365 hygiene kits** and **essential non-food** items to cover the basic needs of **273,594 individuals to date** — with 6,344 family hygiene kits, 1,129 baby hygiene kits, and 211 individual hygiene kits delivered in the second quarter of 2024.
- Trained **10,190 health care workers** to date from **87 health facilities** on topics like European Pediatric Advanced Life Support, Trauma and Disaster Team Response, Psychological First Aid, Mental Health Gap, Basic Life Support, Infection Prevention and Control, WASH, Sexual and Gender-Based Violence, Medical Supply Chain, and nursing — with **2,426 health workers** trained in the second quarter of 2024
- In the second quarter of 2024, began reconstruction projects at **Mykolaiv Regional Clinical Hospital** and replaced doors and windows at **Kherson Regional TB Dispensary**. To date, Project HOPE has successfully reconstructed and reopened 12 health and social service facilities in Kyiv, Chernihiv, Kharkiv, and Kherson oblasts.
- Delivered **1,375,200 six-liter bottles of drinking water** to **12 health facilities** and community members in **35 settlements** to date — with **68,352** six-liter bottles delivered to **6,286** Ukrainians in the second quarter of 2024.



Project HOPE has delivered **\$15.6 million of lifesaving medicines and medical supplies** to health facilities across the country since the beginning of our response in 2022.

## Moldova Update

- Launched **two MMUs** that have since provided **1,073 medical consultations** (including 279 mental health consultations) to **590 patients** to date in Ștefan Vodă and Florești districts.
- Launched a **health worker training program**, with **48 health workers** at **19 health facilities** trained on Basic Life Support skills in the second quarter of 2024.



Project HOPE's new MMUs will significantly **improve health care access in Ștefan Vodă and Florești districts** and deliver essential pharmaceutical items to local communities and Ukrainian refugees.



Project HOPE's team in Moldova launch MMUs in Ștefan Vodă with Motricală Veaceslav, administrator in the Republic of Moldova; Haret Mariana, head of IMSP Health Center Ștefan Vodă; and local administrative representatives in attendance. Photo by Project HOPE staff, 2024.

## Poland Update

- Launched **two mobile MHPSS units** to improve access to essential services at six shelters housing Ukrainian refugees. To date, these units have provided **167 mental health consultations** (74 individual and 93 group sessions) to 203 Ukrainian refugees, **59 social work sessions** to 41 Ukrainians, and **130 group social cohesion sessions**.
- Procured and delivered **23 pieces of specialized medical equipment**, including infusion pumps, cardiac monitors, rehabilitation equipment, and physiotherapy bathtubs to the **Physiotherapy and Blood Cell Transplantation** units at University Children's Hospital in Kraków.
- Procured and delivered **25 rehabilitation beds** to the Kraków Municipal Social Welfare Center to ensure access for those who would otherwise be unable to afford essential equipment.
- Procured and delivered **rehabilitation equipment**, including a rehabilitation table, standing frame and lift, balance platform, rehabilitation balls, and handrails to the Rehabilitation Center for Children with Advanced Disabilities in Lublin.
- Provided **medical devices and hygiene supplies** to **two accommodation centers for refugees** in Lublin that are currently hosting 464 Ukrainian refugees.
- Procured and delivered furniture, including beds, cribs, cabinets, chairs, mattresses, and educational toys to **nine children's nurseries** in Lublin.
- In coordination with the Institute of Psychology at Jagiellonian University in Kraków, Project HOPE developed a training program for school nurses and caregivers. An initial group of **10 school professionals** have been selected to start the training course in September 2024.



Project HOPE Polska's mobile MHPSS unit holds a talent show for Ukrainian refugees staying at Fantazja Hotel, a refugee center in Malopolska. Photo by Szymon Nykiel for Project HOPE, 2024.



Project HOPE Polska's **mobile teams of psychologists and social workers** are improving access to mental health services for refugees in remote areas, providing social work services, and enhancing social cohesion in local communities.



Project HOPE Polska's team members attend the opening of the Blood Transfusion Unit at University Children's Hospital in Kraków, Poland, which received specialized medical equipment from Project HOPE Polska. Photo by Project HOPE Polska staff, 2024.