



## SITUATION REPORT MARCH 2024

### SECURITY HIGHLIGHTS

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**attacks on health care reported by WHO SSA tool in Ukraine since February 2022 until March 2024.**

Arzte der Welt (Germany) in Ukraine reports that during March, the long-range missile strikes caused significant damages to urban residential areas, and public infrastructures with a great impact on health and social protection scheme. Addressing these challenges our direct support through our Mobile Units and donations aims to meet people's needs and build community resilience in times of crisis.

Medicos del Mundo in Ukraine: 22 March, Ukraine faced one of the largest attacks on its energy infrastructure. According to the head of Zaporizhzhia region, the Russian Federation launched approximately 20 missiles at Zaporizhzhia during an hour. As a result of the attack, 7 buildings were completely destroyed and approximately 40 were damaged.

As a result of 2 direct hits to the Dnipro hydroelectric power station dam, which is used for the movement of the Dnipro and Zaporizhzhia teams, city officials had to close the traffic. There were civilian casualties and significant damage to the dam. According to preliminary estimates by Ukrenergo, HPP 2 is critically damaged and it is unclear whether it will be possible to restore it. Currently, stabilisation blackouts are taking place in various regions and towns, and Kharkiv is completely blacked out, resulting in no electricity, water and heating.

The driver of our Zaporizhzhia office witnessed the attack: the first explosions occurred while he was walking with his dog in the morning. Luckily, our colleague managed to hide from the fragments in the arch of the building, so he remained safe.

As of the morning of 22 March, the staff of the Zaporizhzhia, Dnipro and Kharkiv bases is fully operational. The Zaporizhzhia office is working remotely.





**10 461 PEOPLE WERE REACHED BY DOCTORS OF THE WORLD IN UKRAINE**

**4,374**

**Primary Health Care consultations provided**

**1,887**

**Mental Health consultations provided**

**1,343**

**Sexual and Reproductive Health consultations provided**

**2,857**

**Awareness sessions participants**





## Spain

A total of 4,572 consultations were provided across various healthcare sectors. Within primary health care, 2,878 consultations were conducted, while mental health services supported 1,194 individuals. The mobile unit reached 3,292 beneficiaries, and sexual and reproductive health services catered to 500 consultations. Furthermore, 278 awareness sessions were held, engaging 2,348 participants. Additionally, as part of capacity building efforts, 13 donations were distributed to 10 health facilities, comprising essential medicines and equipment.

The training session for teachers focuses on "Overcoming anxiety and stress during the move to a mixed education format," providing recommendations on how to create an atmosphere of calm and support in Zaporizhzhia.

In the latest ECHO-9 initiative, 19 social and healthcare institutions benefited from the distribution of 1,083 assistive devices in Kharkiv oblast. Furthermore, 13 IDP shelters received a total of 1,896 individual hygiene kits, catering to the needs of 600 male, 1,121 female, and 175 children residents. Additionally, a recently established shelter for IDPs in Kovyagi village of Valkivska hromada received its first aid kit, while five healthcare institutions in Borova, Balaklya, Shevchenkove, and Kharkiv were supplied with essential drugs and medical consumables.

Under the Swiss Solidarity 2 program, MHGAP training session was conducted in Kharkiv from March 25th to 29th, benefiting 13 medical workers from various hromadas including Valkivska, Izumska, Bohoduhivska, Vovchanska, Lipetska, and Velykoburlutska.





## Greece

A total of 266 beneficiaries were served, all of whom were unique. Among them, 176 received primary health care services, while 90 accessed mental health support. The Mobile Unit reached all 266 beneficiaries, ensuring comprehensive care delivery. Additionally, three trainings were conducted, engaging a total of 89 participants.

In the realm of health access, the MU outreach efforts in Sumy facilitated 176 consultations, while mental health services extended to 90 individuals in the same region. Noteworthy donations included an online MHPSS training session for the healthcare staff of Chernivtsi Emergency Hospital, engaging 49 participants. Additionally, plans are underway for a MhGAP face-to-face training session and two PM+ face-to-face trainings scheduled to occur between April 8th and 12th in Sumy, each accommodating 20+20 participants.





## Germany

In total, 5,384 beneficiaries were served, with 1,269 being unique individuals. Among these, 1,320 received primary health care services, while 603 accessed mental health support. The Mobile Unit operated by MdM Ge reached 5 beneficiaries, collaborating with 4 partner organizations. Additionally, 843 individuals benefited from sexual and reproductive health services. Additionally, 74 awareness sessions were conducted, reaching a total of 509 people. Capacity building efforts extended to 30 individuals. Two training sessions were organized, and a total of 7 donations were made to support various healthcare initiatives.

Within the Mental Health department, several crucial activities took place. From the 19th to the 22nd of March, an MHGap training session was conducted in Verkhnodniprovs, followed by a SH+ training in Vinnytsia from the 26th to the 29th of March. Supervision sessions were also held with MHGap training participants from Pidhorodne, emphasizing the ongoing support and capacity-building efforts in mental health.

Additionally, 7 donations were made in Vinnitsa oblast, contributing to essential relief efforts. Two key training sessions were conducted during March, including one SH+ and one MHGap training, further enhancing the knowledge and skills of healthcare professionals in the region.







## France

Under current activities of the Medecins du Monde (France) in Ukraine to build capacity on MHPSS for health staff working within the community in Ukraine, on 22 December 2023, a sub-activity of PFA training session was implemented in an isolated village of Novoinhulka in Mykolaivska Oblast. This was the first of the several sub-activities to follow and organized with smaller groups of participants. In this session 6 participants were a family doctor and a nurse from an MHU, a village health point nurse, a village librarian who is in daily contact with the village children and caregivers and an MHU driver.

MHPSS Advisor MdM-France and its implementing partner, the Mykolaiv Regional Branch of the Ukrainian Red Cross Society, with the presence of her psychologist oriented these staff to purpose, core principles, process, and techniques of the PFA.

According to the family doctor, the MHPSS needs make up a significant portion of the needs of patients she is seeing and more basic MHPSS skills for her means less burnout. According to the Red Cross psychologist, in the absence of established joint referral pathways and absence of MHPSS services, the PFA is a basic intervention that links cases to the available indicated MHPSS services.

- Provision of primary health care in Mykolaiv Red Cross OPD
- Provision of primary health care in 20 different locations through 3 URCS MMUs in Mykolaiv oblast (3 different hromadas)
- Provision of health care to LGBTGI+ community in Odessa LIGA center.
- During December 2023, MUs provided 764 primary health care consultations. Psychologists provided 336 mental health consultations.
- Provision of MHPSS services in 20 different locations through 3 URCS MMUs in Mykolaiv oblast
- MR process on-going validation for the donation of medical and non-medical items to Health Facilities and IDP collective centers.
- Crisis Modifier: Snihurivka Hospital (Mykolaiv Oblast) confirmed to receive 1 Cholera Kit.
- Kherson MoH confirmed to receive 1 Cholera Kit and 1 NCD Kit.