Health is at the heart of human progress.

Through partnerships with local and national governments, Health Builders works at the intersection of health management, infrastructure and technology to build new, and transform existing, health facilities that become thriving enterprises which provide comprehensive, quality health care.

**OUR APPROACH**

Direct management training, tools and guidance is applied with a hub-and-spoke model. Our health management advising teams coach health center (HC) staff and managers across an entire district, providing capacity building, learning opportunities and resources for the diverse challenges they face. Better managed HCs lead to improved health outcomes for their patients and surrounding communities.

- We mentor HC administrators and staff in key functions such as the management of finances, data, and pharmacy systems.
- We regularly evaluate management operations to track progress and identify HC needs.

Where there are no health facilities, we partner with local governments to provide safe, functional and patient-centered health care infrastructure. Local government has contributed $250,000 in addition to the $2.8 million from Health Builders.

- We construct health facilities complete with the resources necessary to thrive at or above government standards.
- We employ local communities in construction efforts, bringing income and work to hundreds at a time.
- Completed facilities are owned and funded by the government, which provides staff salaries and medical equipment.

Appropriate, cost-effective technology is applied to further enhance the system’s ability to transform the health of communities.

- Through partnership with the government and the private sector, we have developed a financially sustainable medical oxygen supply system serving remote district hospitals.
- Clean, renewable solar energy sources at HCs reduced costs and allow for reliable electricity to keep facilities operating day and night.

**OUR IMPACT**

Together with our partners, we have enhanced primary care services for over 2 million people in Rwanda since 2007, including more than 174,000 who previously had no access to health care at all.

Our experience shows that management performance* increases by as much as 90% after one year of Health Builders’ support, and by more than 200% after 4 years. This represents HC administrators’ completion of priority management activities measured across predetermined indicators.

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This year, we will be providing management support to 127 health centers serving almost 3 million Rwandans.

- Over 512,000 outpatient consultations provided at 8 new health facilities serving 175,000 community members, a 69% increase in access.
- More than 20,000 assisted deliveries and 23,500 early prenatal care visits improve maternal and newborn outcomes in newly built maternity units.
- Clean, inexpensive drinking water is distributed at 10 health centers serving over 280,000 Rwandans as a result of sustainable filtration technology.
- Solar energy sources have been installed at 8 health centers serving over 165,000, reducing utilities costs and keeping the lights on.

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OUR TEAM

Health Builders believes in the power of local ownership and leadership. Our team is led by Rwandan staff members with distinct professional expertise, including clinical medicine, public health, finance and accounting, and information technology.

OUR STORIES

PHILIPPINE KANKERA GAKUWAYA
Director, Nyarugenge Health Center

"Health Builders’ management work has revealed different gaps within the health center and how they can be corrected. Since we receive trainings on how to manage all of our resources well, we also benefit from better time management and stopping loss of money, which leads to the health center getting more income than ever before."

MARIA IMMACULATE
Nyarugenge resident, mother of 3

"With the Nyarugenge health center, myself and other residents no longer fear the journey to seek medical attention, but rather seek care earlier and more often. When labor started with my third child, I needed to walk only a short distance to deliver my daughter safely."

OUR FUTURE

Health Builders has developed an ambitious set of mission and vision-aligned objectives to bring our work to scale and provide access to quality, primary health care for all. We plan to continue growing in the following ways:

- Ensuring that every Rwandan has access to health care services by building 17 more health centers
- Providing HC management support in all 30 districts of Rwanda
- Investing in simple technology solutions that improve health outcomes
- Scaling our approach to additional regions beyond Rwanda

Health Builders is committed to sharing lessons learned as we develop and evaluate strategies to ensure that HCs are able to continue tracking and improving their management over the long-term. Our ultimate goal is to finish the job and step away, with our mission to strengthen health systems and build health care infrastructure accomplished.

GET INVOLVED

Purpose-driven partnerships are essential to the fulfillment of our vision: that every person has access to high quality health care, allowing them to live dignified, healthy, and prosperous lives. Support Health Builders to continue transforming the public health care landscape in Rwanda, increasing access to quality health services for some of the most vulnerable women, children, and men.

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