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MESSAGE FROM CSI FOUNDERS

In April 2013, we founded Childbirth Survival International (CSI) with the shared philosophy that “access to quality basic healthcare services is a universal human right; it is a moral obligation to reach the unreached with health services and information.” This mutual vision is the foundation to CSI’s programs and impact in underserved communities. CSI is reaching the unreached with health services and information, targeting women, children, and youth in sub-Saharan Africa.

CSI’s Vision

Grow into a reputable and trusted global organization in the significant reduction of preventable/treatable maternal, newborn, infant, child and adolescent disabilities and deaths.

CSI’s Mission

Facilitate the effective provision of respectful, quality maternal and reproductive health services to women of child bearing age; improve services for newborns and children 0-5 years at health facilities and at their homes (home-based midwifery care); and increase access to youth friendly reproductive health services.

CSI’s Values

Results, Integrity, Respect, Commitment, Accountability, Collaboration, and Excellence are core to our approaches in achieving CSI's vision and mission.

CSI’s Trajectory

As we look ahead, we continue to establish stronger partnerships and collaborations in the communities we work in; increase awareness about CSI's contributary role at the global, national, and local levels; and improve quality of life by using funds from generous donors to implement activities in the communities.

Stella M. Mpanda, CNM and Tausi Suedi, MPH
CSI Founders
CSI’S PROGRAMS AND IMPACT

In Tanzania and Uganda, where CSI has established a notable presence, CSI reached out to pregnant women and their families to help mothers and babies survive pregnancy and childbirth. CSI contributed to maternal-newborn health improvements by:

- Going to most disadvantaged communities and educating mothers on benefits of delivering in a health facility with a skilled birth attendant.
- Providing mothers in the hospital and those in the community who were 1-2 weeks close to their delivery date, with safe childbirth kits. Childbirth kits contain: 1 Pair Sterile Vinyl Gloves; 1 Drape Sheet; 2 Sterile Umbilical Clamps; 1 Underpad; 2 OB Towelettes; 2 Alcohol Prep Pads, Medium; 1 Sterile OB Pad; 1 Plastic Placenta Bag; 6 Gauze Sponges; 1 Sterile Bulb Syringe; 4 Disposable Towels; 2 Nylon Tie-Offs; 1 Sterile Disposable Scalpel; 2 Twist Ties; and 1 Receiving Blanket.
- Engaging men and local leaders at the community level including religious leaders to see the value of safe motherhood for their families and communities.
- Tailoring Girl Talk, Girl Power program to empower adolescent girls, address “taboo” topics, provide girls with sanitary pads, and be a resource for schools and communities to support their efforts to ensure girls get an education.

You can read more updates in the quarterly e-newsletters under CSI’s Communications (page 5).
CSI’S COMMUNICATIONS

We value sharing and highlighting CSI’s work with friends, partners, and donors. It’s important for CSI’s legacy to be known as the organization that delivers i.e. we walk the talk, because we prioritize people in all aspects of our programming and implementation. Through pictures, videos, and regular posts from 2015 events, CSI’s audience has expanded and continues to grow.

Newsletters

- Quarter I
- Quarter II
- Quarter III
- Quarter IV

Social Media

- Facebook https://www.facebook.com/childbirthsurvivalinternational.org
- Twitter https://twitter.com/childbirthsi
- Instagram https://www.instagram.com/childbirthsurvivalint/
- YouTube https://www.youtube.com/c/ChildbirthsurvivalinternationalOrg

Reviews About CSI

We can tell how well we are doing, areas to strengthen, and what’s really working by hearing from primary beneficiaries, professionals in global health, leaders, and our team of volunteers. Reviews are shared on GreatNonprofits page and can be found here: https://greatnonprofits.org/org/childbirth-survival-international.

Website

As much as we keep CSI audience informed about our grassroots efforts to save lives and impact communities, CSI’s website https://childbirthsurvivalinternational.org is the home to all information about CSI.
CSI’S FINANCIAL REPORT

Through generous donations and extensive out-of-pocket spending, CSI has successfully planned and executed grassroots programs in Tanzania and Uganda.

Accounts

CSI has a checking bank account in Baltimore, Maryland for its global programs, which was opened at PNC Bank. CSI Tanzania has a checking bank account, which was opened at Tanzania Women’s Bank in Dar es Salaam.

Fundraising Strategies

To reduce the significant financial burden on CSI founders to constantly spend out-of-pocket, CSI incorporated donate online options on its website that yield individual giving in various amounts. Additionally, in 2015, CSI had its first major fundraising event, which took place at the Embassy of Tanzania in Washington, DC. Stella Mpanda, CSI Tanzania Country Director managed to fly in to DC for the event. Event was to increase CSI’s visibility and tap into the diaspora potential to support and advance projects in Tanzania. We raised 25% of our $5,000 goal. CSI has no major funder and continues to explore potential opportunities for grant funding.
CSI’S TEAM

We would not be able to impact lives, establish trust in communities and schools, share successes, and continue to advance CSI’s mission and vision without an incredible team of skilled, dedicated, and passionate volunteers. We give sincere and deep thanks to all volunteers who have supported and contributed in achieving 2015 milestones.

Thank you!

- Karen Glen in Canada
- Sandra Kiyonga in USA
- Ilham Siddig in USA
- Modupe Agueh McCracken in USA
- Neema Matumla in USA
- Rahma Baraka in USA
- Fatma Ngororo in USA
- Patricia Baine in USA
- Faizah Nampenja in USA
- Paige Cook in USA
- Mary Kabelele in Tanzania
- Esther Adams in Tanzania
- Esther Mpanda in Tanzania
- Renalda Ndono in Tanzania
- Angelina Ballart in Tanzania
- Dotto Steve in Tanzania
- Chibby Peter in Tanzania
- Frank Muarusha in Tanzania
- Sarah Nabwami in Uganda
- Yusuf Gitta in Uganda
- Barrett Sewali in Uganda (visiting from Minnesota)
- Tinah Nakibuuka in Uganda
- Godfrey Sekeba in Uganda
- John Bazanye in Uganda
- Prossy Bulega in Uganda
- Cattie Nyanzi in Uganda
- Baker Luttamaguzi in Uganda
- Sarah Najjuka in Uganda
- Midwives and Nurses at Royal Clinic in Uganda
- Midwives and Nurses at Amana, Mwananyamala, and Temekte Hospitals in Tanzania
- Healthcare workers at Mildmay in Uganda

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