

# Côte d'Ivoire

## Country Brief

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ICAP ensures the wellness of families and communities by strengthening health systems around the world.

ICAP is committed to partnering with the Government of Côte d'Ivoire through service, education and training, and research projects that support sustainable health systems strengthening and ensure impact towards national health development goals.

### Background

In 2003, ICAP began its work in Côte d'Ivoire supporting family-focused, multidisciplinary HIV/AIDS prevention, care and treatment. In 2007, with support from the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR), ICAP expanded its work with the Ministry of Health (MOH) to scale-up HIV care and treatment services, increase access, improve quality and build HIV program capacity in underserved areas.

ICAP's current portfolio focuses on implementation support and capacity building for HIV programs in the regions of Abidjan 2, Agneby-Tiassa, and Loh Djiboua. ICAP also builds the capacity of local health systems in nursing and midwifery through strengthening pre-service training and by supporting the integration of community health care workers at site level.

ICAP's work is supported by a senior team based at Columbia University with technical, clinical, implementation and research expertise. In Côte d'Ivoire, ICAP's multidisciplinary team of over 50 staff members includes operations management, financial officers, monitoring and evaluation experts, and technical advisors.

**ICAP has received support for its work in Côte d'Ivoire from:** the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA).

### Current Projects

#### **Implementation of Programs for the Prevention, Care and Treatment of HIV/AIDS in the Republic of Côte d'Ivoire under the President's Emergency Plan for HIV/AIDS Relief (PEPFAR)**

Through this five-year project, supported by the CDC, ICAP is partnering with the MOH, the National Program for People Living with HIV (PNLS), and health authorities in eleven districts to build their capacity to strengthen the provision of HIV prevention, care and treatment services at facilities. This scope of work includes: HIV testing and counseling, prevention of mother-to-child transmission (PMTCT), adult and pediatric care and treatment including TB/HIV integration, linkage and adherence support, and support for M&E systems and laboratory strengthening.

#### **Global Nursing Capacity Building Program (GNCBP)**

Through the Global Nurse Capacity Building Program, supported by HRSA, ICAP is improving population health by building the capacity of individuals, institutions, and networks to expand, enhance, and sustain the nursing workforce. ICAP builds the capacity of trained nurses and midwives to lead and support high-impact quality improvement initiatives. In Côte d'Ivoire, ICAP is building the capacity of faculty at INFAS Korhogo, the national nursing education institution, to train pre-service nurses and midwives in HIV care and treatment. ICAP is also developing and testing a comprehensive community health worker model for linking the community to integrated health services.

A global leader in HIV/AIDS and health systems strengthening, ICAP provides technical assistance and implementation support to governments and NGOs in more than 21 countries. ICAP has supported work at more than 3,380 health facilities around the world. More than 1.2 million people have received HIV treatment through ICAP-supported programs.

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