



# HER HEALTH AND DIGNITY, OUR PRIORITY.

*Strengthening services for survivors of gender-based violence in  
Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste*

**ALMOST 60% OF WOMEN IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA AND TIMOR-LESTE HAVE EXPERIENCED SOME FORM OF PHYSICAL AND/OR SEXUAL VIOLENCE BY AN INTIMATE PARTNER IN THEIR LIFETIME. THIS IS AMONG THE HIGHEST GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE PREVALENCE RATES IN THE WORLD.**

**ONLY 0.2 - 3% SOUGHT HELP FROM HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDERS IN BOTH COUNTRIES.**

## PROGRAMME OVERVIEW

September 2020 - December 2022

Facilitated by the UNFPA Asia-Pacific Regional Office and with support from Zonta International, the UNFPA Country Offices in Papua New Guinea and Timor-Leste are working to enhance the quality of services available to women experiencing violence, and the coordination between service providers.

**The programme aims to ensure that survivors of gender-based violence will have more effective support for their long-term recovery and improved opportunities to leave the cycle of violence.**

## EXPECTED OUTCOMES

1

Health service providers have the necessary knowledge and capacity to deliver quality, essential health services to GBV survivors.

2

Relevant government authorities have the capacity to establish multi-sectoral GBV coordination mechanisms.

# COUNTRIES IN FOCUS

## Papua New Guinea



**58%** of women reported having experienced some form of physical and/or sexual violence by an intimate partner in their lifetime.

**3%** sought help from **health services**, **3%** from **social workers**, and **10%** from the **police**.

(Source: DHS 2016-18)

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**0.2%** sought help from **health services**, and **3%** from the **police**.

(Source: Asia Foundation 2015)

## Timor-Leste



## UNFPA

UNFPA is one of the UN's lead agencies working to further gender equality and women's empowerment, and to address the physical and emotional consequences of gender-based violence. UNFPA's programmes offer psychosocial assistance, medical treatment and rape kits to survivors, and promote the right of all women and girls to live free of violence and abuse.

## Zonta International

Zonta International works at the international, national and local levels to raise awareness of the global pandemic of women's rights violations and to unite its members worldwide to fight violence against women and girls.

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## PROGRAMME APPROACH



Capacity Development



Coordination and Referral Pathways



Community Awareness



Monitoring and Evaluation



Shared Learning