

# **Gynuity Health Projects**

is a research and technical assistance organization dedicated to the idea that all people should have access to the fruits of medical science and technology development. Our goal is to make reproductive health technologies more convenient, more acceptable, safer, and more widely accessible.

Gynuity works globally to ensure that reproductive health technologies are available at reasonable cost, provided in the context of high-quality services, and offered in a way that recognizes the dignity and autonomy of each individual. Our efforts are focused particularly on resource-poor environments, underserved populations, and challenging subject matter.

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#### **ACTIVITIES**

#### Clinical Research

We work with researchers and clinical care providers in the U.S. and internationally with the goal of reducing morbidity and mortality related to some of the most significant health problems facing women.

#### Social Science Research

Gynuity designs and conducts research to inform and guide provision of reproductive and maternal health services.

#### Training and Education

We prepare health professionals to use reproductive health technologies where they are relatively new or underutilized and train them in research methodology to document the use and acceptability of these methods in different contexts. We also lead advisory and educational briefings for advocates, media, and donors.

#### **Technical Assistance**

Gynuity works to strengthen health care services by supporting the introduction of low-cost, evidence-based technologies to treat a range of women's health conditions. We provide technical assistance to health care systems, policy-makers and advocates, and other international organizations and NGO's.

#### Policy and Advocacy

Gynuity works with women's health advocates to realize the promise of reproductive health technologies in the U.S. and abroad.

#### **Materials Development**

Gynuity develops educational and policyoriented materials on a range of maternal and reproductive health issues. We are committed to making information accessible and to translating our key resources into several languages.

#### **PROGRAMS**

#### Contraception

Gynuity works to develop new, innovative forms of contraception to enhance women's ability to plan and space their pregnancies. Projects include research and development of a pericoital or "ondemand" oral contraceptive.

#### **Medical Abortion**

Our work in this area focuses on regimen refinement and the de-medicalization of services; service introduction to generate data for regulatory filings; training for introduction in diverse settings and to build local capacity; and advocacy for inclusion in clinical norms and guidelines.

### Postpartum Hemorrhage

Gynuity conducts clinical trials to gather reliable data on misoprostol for PPH prevention and treatment. We develop educational materials for policymakers, clinicians, and users.

#### Pre-eclampsia

Our pre-eclampsia research focuses on alternative treatment approaches that aim to improve treatment delivery, ease of use, costeffectiveness, and demands on staff time.

## Pregnancy Failure and Miscarriage

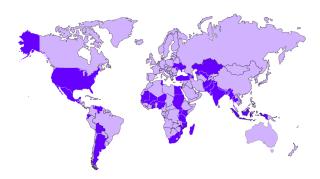
We conduct clinical research for regimen refinement using misoprostol for pregnancy failure in the first and second trimesters. We undertake advocacy and training related to method introduction.

#### STIs/HIV/Infectious Disease

Our goal is to investigate woman-controlled products for vaginal health and conduct epidemiological research to investigate the prevalence and correlates of C. sordellii and perfringens carriage among women of reproductive age.

#### LOCATIONS AND PARTNERS

Gynuity works in a wide range of locations and contexts with an emphasis on resource-poor environments. We work with a variety of partners including scientists, policy makers, health care professionals, advocacy groups and consortia, regulatory bodies and commercial entities. Our work is supported by a range of donors. Please visit www.gynuity.org for more information.



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