

We've launched a new initiative to make this a reality!



SAFE ABORTION MATTERS

Dear friends and colleagues,

As many of us in the reproductive health field are aware, there has never been a common global measure of quality in abortion care—and certainly not one that applies to both in-facility and out-of-facility services *and* that integrates women's experiences to fully evaluate quality of care.

That's why I'm pleased to announce that Iпас has joined our partners Metrics for Management and Ibis Reproductive Health to launch the Abortion Service Quality (ASQ) Initiative. This three-year project will develop, validate, disseminate and champion the widespread adoption of a common measure of abortion service quality for use in and out of facilities. The resulting measures will be used by governments, policymakers and health-care providers to strengthen health-care quality. Donors will also use these measures to assess and support evidence-based abortion care interventions.

Our initiative will ensure that measurement focuses on client experience, as well as on safety and accessibility. Abortion care may be safe and accessible, but if women experience stigmatization or discrimination while seeking an abortion, the services they have received are not the highest quality.

I invite you to learn more about this exciting initiative. We look forward to keeping you updated on our progress and the implications for your work.

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ASQ Initiative



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