

# CARE International

## Stance on Abortion/Contraception

[https://www.care-international.org/sites/default/files/files/Vision\\_2030.pdf](https://www.care-international.org/sites/default/files/files/Vision_2030.pdf)

Listed in their 2030 Vision brochure, CARE International lists their goal as the following:

“50 million people can exercise their right to health, including 30 million women their right to health, including **30 million women their right to sexual and reproductive health**” (p.11).

<https://www.care.org/our-work/disaster-response/health-in-emergencies/safpac/>

Care’s SAFPAC (Supporting Access to Family Planning and Post Abortion Care) (Supporting Access to Family Planning and Post-Abortion Care) “aims to prevent unintended pregnancies and death from unsafe abortion and to provide greater access to sexual and reproductive health services in emergencies.”

Another description of CARE’s SAFPAC mission:

SAFPAC aims to 1) prevent unintended pregnancies and deaths from **unsafe abortion** by ensuring access to family planning services, with a focus on **long-acting reversible contraception** and post-abortion care in fragile and crisis-affected settings, and to 2) build CARE’s institutional capacity to ensure access to essential SRH services in emergency responses.

On this same page, CARE International reveals they are a member of the Interagency Working Group for Reproductive Health in Emergencies, which heavily promotes contraception and abortion:

<https://iawg.net/>

<https://iawg.net/our-work/comprehensive-abortion-care>

IWAG offers “Comprehensive Abortion Care” which advocates for the “legal and human right” to abortion.



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<https://www.care-international.org/files/files/Summary-Sexual%20and%20Reproductive%20Health%20and%20Rights.pdf>

In a 2020 “Sexual, and Reproductive and Maternal Health and Rights” booklet, CARE International explicitly lists what their sexual and reproductive health advocacy entails:

CARE believes that all women, men and young people should have equitable access to the information and services they need to realize their right to the highest possible attainable standard of sexual and reproductive health – free of discrimination, stigma, coercion and violence. Thus, we support access to high-quality, comprehensive sexual and reproductive health counseling, education and services **including contraception** and voluntary family planning services; STI/HIV prevention and care; antenatal, maternal and newborn care; and postpartum, **safe abortion and post-abortion care**.

## **Stance on LGBTQ+**

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In their 2030 *Vision* brochure, CARE International featured a couple with a “transgender man” and another woman to highlight that the LGBTQ+ community is discriminated against globally. The brochure states:

LGBTQ+ people often face challenges accessing work and livelihood opportunities, making them more likely to be unemployed and to live in poverty than the general population. CARE supported Andy (right) a trans man living with his partner Alexandra (left), to set up a small business when they were struggling to find work due to COVID-19 in Ecuador (p.5).

<https://www.care-international.org/resources/care-international-gender-equality-policy-english>



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CARE made a policy in 2018 on language used for gender equality that includes “all genders.” Their statement is listed below:

CARE recognizes that gender is not binary, and that terms and definitions related to gender and sexuality are diverse and continue to evolve. To facilitate ease of reading within this policy we refer to ‘all genders and ages’ throughout. This demonstrates our recognition of and ability to work with adults and children and individuals of all sexual orientations, gender identities and/or gender expressions. We recognize that rigid gender norms limit people of all genders and sexual orientations by creating and reinforcing assumptions and systems of privilege (sometimes codified in laws and policies), about their recognition in society and the range of roles and opportunities open to them. These not only limit individuals who identify as girls, boys, women and men as well as identities beyond the binary, but also individuals whose sexual orientations do not conform with dominant norms and expectations of heterosexuality. While rigid gender norms can limit all of us, CARE also recognizes that gender norms and hierarchies are constructed by people and systemically privilege some groups over others. **Throughout this policy when reference is made to all genders and ages this includes (cisgender and transgender) women and girls, men and boys as well as people who identify beyond the binary; and people of all sexual orientations.**



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