Her prolonged, obstructed labor has devastating consequences...

When injured with **OBSTETRIC FISTULA**, a woman leaks urine or feces uncontrollably. The baby usually dies.

A woman with **PELVIC ORGAN PROLAPSE** suffers pain and embarrassment as her bladder or uterus may partially or fully hang outside her vagina after multiple unsafe births.

**Her life is shattered.**
Treatment & Support

Begin Healing

Your support transforms a woman’s life of rejection, shame and isolation into one of dignity and inclusion.

Life-Changing Surgery
- Identify women who need treatment
- Transport women to health centers
- Provide transformative surgery
- Train Expert Surgeons
- Built the Danja Fistula Center in Niger, opened the center in 2012 and continue to fund

Recovery
- Safe places for women to heal
- Meals and specialized care during recovery
- Comprehensive post-operative care
- Physical Therapy for optimal recovery

Ongoing Support
- Group and individual counseling
- Individual care plans

Empowerment Training
Transforms Lives

Your gift educates women and helps them earn incomes to rejoin their communities as entrepreneurs.

Educational Classes
- Literacy and health classes
- Basic microfinance and entrepreneurialism
- Accommodations and meals throughout their educational classes and vocational training

Vocational Skills Training
- Classes in knitting, embroidery, sewing, handcrafting jewelry, cooking and catering
- Launched the Women’s Empowerment Center in Uganda, 2013

Advocacy and Support Groups
- Ongoing individual and group counseling
- Local survivor mentoring and advocacy groups
- Savings and credit groups

Health Care Capacity Building Stops Injuries From Happening

Your support trains African Medical Professionals and Community Health Advocates.

Mekelle Medical Education Collaboration
- Provides US and international medical expertise
- Trains medical students, residents and faculty

Urogynecology Fellowship Program
- Program partners: Mekelle University and Hamlin Fistula Ethiopia
- Specialized training for complex pelvic health issues like fistula and uterine prolapse

Physical Therapy Masters Program
- Enhanced instruction from visiting US experts

Local Maternal Health Advocate Training
- Prevention, treatment, awareness and advocacy

Critical/Intensive Care Training
- Emergency obstetric complication training

OUR PHILOSOPHY

We strategically partner with local leaders and organizations in low-resource countries to increase capacity to address women’s health care needs in their countries. Donate to our programs in Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Kenya, Niger and Uganda!