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# Executive Summary

## Result 1: Strengthened capacity

- 34 facilities supported for repair and 48 prevention only sites in 10 countries through all sources of USAID funding
- 4,727 repairs performed in all USAID supported sites (4, 225 at FC supported sites)
- 41 surgeons trained in fistula repair to varying levels of competency
- 442 providers trained in fistula care management and counseling
- Collaboration with FIGO to introduce the international fistula surgeon curricula

## Result 2: Enhanced community and facility practices to prevent fistula

- 727 providers trained in prevention interventions (family planning and obstetric care including correct use of the partograph)
- More than one million persons reached through community mobilization efforts with key messages about fistula treatment and prevention

## Result 3: Use of data for decision making

- Multi country prospective observational study on determinants of fistula completed in five countries (Bangladesh, Guinea, Niger, Nigeria, Uganda)
- Multi country retrospective cesarean record review study completed in five countries (Bangladesh, Guinea, Mali, Niger, Uganda)
- Multi country randomized controlled clinical trial on duration of catheterization approved and implementation begun in 8 countries in partnership with WHO and WAHA International: DR Congo, Ethiopia, Guinea, Kenya, Niger, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Uganda
- *Data for Decision Making in Fistula Treatment Services* training module completed

## Result 4: Strengthening the environment for fistula

- In Bangladesh the national strategy for fistula was finalized and is ready for dissemination.
- Fistula Care indicators are being integrated into the Malian national management information system.
- Fistula Care/Nigeria, UNFPA and other stakeholders reconstituted the National Working Group on Obstetric Fistula (NWGOF)
- FC worked successfully in partnership with UNFPA and USAID/Uganda to ensure inclusion of questions about Fistula in Uganda's upcoming DHS.

### **Key Accomplishments with USAID funding (all funding sources):**

- 22,507 repairs performed in 14 countries in Sub Sahara Africa and South Asia between January 2005 and September 2011
- Since 2005 expansion from 4 treatment sites in two countries to support of 40 treatment sites in 15 countries\*
- Multi country prospective research study on the determinants of fistula outcomes completed in FY11
- Randomized clinical trial (RCT) on duration of fistula implemented in collaboration with WHO in FY11
- Country programs in Mali, Rwanda, Uganda adopting and adapting FC developed tools and approaches for services

\*Includes USAID/Pakistan support to create new fistula repair center.