

A group of African women and children in traditional attire, smiling and looking upwards. The women are wearing colorful headwraps and beaded necklaces. The children are also dressed in traditional clothing. The background is bright and slightly blurred, suggesting an outdoor setting.

Reducing  
healthcare  
inequalities  
2016-2017

**SANOFIESPO**<sup>R</sup>  
FOUNDATION



## Olivier Brandicourt

Chief Executive Officer of Sanofi

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*“ Access to healthcare remains a major challenge for the future of the world. Sanofi and the Sanofi Espoir Foundation are providing health solutions to all those who need them. ”*

**H**ealth is not only a fundamental human right, it is also an ethical imperative and a major challenge for development and social justice. As a global healthcare leader operating on five continents, Sanofi is not only duty-bound but also has the resources to help reduce the world's health inequality gap. Faithful to its values, Sanofi has for a long time organized major programs of access

to medicines for the world's most vulnerable populations. The Sanofi Espoir Foundation demonstrates the same commitment. Applying a collaborative approach, it rolls out innovative, targeted field programs in France and abroad to ensure that access to healthcare is a right that all can share more equitably, and in this way help achieve the UN's Sustainable Development Goals.

## Xavier Darcos

President of the Sanofi Espoir Foundation

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*“ By helping to reduce health inequalities, the Foundation tackles the structural causes of poverty in the world. ”*



**F**rom poverty and epidemics to wars and mass migrations, it is impossible to ignore the afflictions that demoralize the lives of millions of people, impeding their development potential and adding a huge financial burden to the economies of their countries. In a global context of interdependence, development challenges are an obvious shared priority now that insecurity and disease are constantly gaining ground, even in wealthy countries. Working with its partners, the Foundation develops

prevention and access to care programs tailored to local realities. Committed to efficiency, it seeks to anticipate and understand so that it can act more effectively. Each project is designed to scale up and lead to economically sustainable health solutions, wherever the needs are felt. By virtue of the quality of the work carried out and the progress made in its areas of expertise, the Foundation is now widely recognized both by healthcare institutions and the countries that benefit from its programs.

# OVERVIEW OF THE FOUNDATION'S ACHIEVEMENTS IN 2016

**Foundation's Budget**  
**€15 million**  
 over 3 years (Sept.2015-Sept.2018)

**Latin and Central America**  
**8 projects**  
**7 recipient countries**

**France**  
**8 projects**

**Africa**  
**11 projects**  
**20 recipient countries**

**Asia**  
**7 projects**  
**6 recipient countries**

- Fighting childhood cancer
- Improving maternal and newborn health
- Improving access to healthcare for the most vulnerable populations in France

## SUPPORT FOR ACCESS TO HEALTH PROGRAMS OVER THE LONG TERM

**34** projects  
**35** partners  
**34** recipient countries

**1,02 million**  
 of beneficiaries of prevention and health awareness actions  
**897,000**  
 recipients of medical attention and access to care  
**4,100**  
 health professionals benefiting from training courses

## SUPPORT FOR EMERGENCY HUMANITARIAN ACTIONS

▲ Financial support:  
**2** recipient countries: Haiti and Iraq

Donations of medicines and vaccines:  
**122,200** boxes of drugs  
**331,500** doses of vaccines  
**6** recipient countries: China, Ecuador, Japan, Haiti, India and Macedonia



**Valérie Faillat**  
 Head of the Sanofi Espoir Foundation

“ Health inequalities cover very different conditions around the world. To combat them, it is necessary to apply long-term strategies tailored to local realities. The Sanofi Espoir Foundation faces these challenges by supporting high impact field projects. ”

The Sanofi Espoir Foundation was created in October 2010 to consolidate more than 20 years of commitment to national and international solidarity. Its mission is to contribute to reducing health inequalities among populations that need it most by applying a socially responsible approach.



## ENSURING ACCESS TO HEALTH OVER THE LONG TERM

The Foundation organizes its programs around three major focal points:

- 1 Fighting childhood cancer** in low-resource countries with the My Child Matters program.
- 2 Improving maternal and newborn health** by providing women and newborns with better access to quality care.
- 3 Improving access to care for the most vulnerable populations in France.**

## RESPONDING TO HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCIES

Health needs are essential when natural disasters or conflicts occur. To aid injured, homeless or displaced people, the Foundation provides an immediate response comprising financial support and donations of medicines and vaccines. To additionally cope with the growing number of long-term crises, it also works with its partners in the field to link emergency aid to longer-term programs that lay the foundations for more sustainable development.

## FOSTERING EMPLOYEE INVOLVEMENT



Solidarity is deeply rooted in our corporate culture, which means that the Sanofi Espoir Foundation can count on the active involvement of Sanofi employees.

Their mobilization can take many forms:

- **Involving employees at Sanofi's affiliates in projects undertaken by the Foundation** by supporting partner associations through their experience, know-how or simply good will, and especially via the internal «Be a volunteer» platform dedicated to volunteerism launched in 2013.
- **Supporting employees through calls for generosity and collections** launched by the Foundation or the Company, as well as during humanitarian emergencies.
- **Participating in the Season of Solidarity** organized every year by more than 30 Sanofi affiliates to build solidarity projects between partner associations, employees and their families.



## FIGHTING CHILDHOOD CANCER

***My Child Matters***, to ensure that all children have the same chance to recover from cancer anywhere in the world

The ***My Child Matters*** program is a unique initiative developed by the Foundation since 2006 to help children with cancer in low-income countries in Africa, Asia and Latin America to benefit from early diagnosis and better care. This program aims to strengthen the capacity of local teams and resources, and is organized in partnership with St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the SIOP (International Society of Pediatric Oncology), the UICC (International Union Against Cancer), the GFAOP (Franco-African Pediatric Oncology Group), the AMCC (Global Alliance Against Cancer), the Children Cancer Institute (CCI) and other international organizations involved in fighting childhood cancer.

***My Child Matters*** addresses the Sustainable Development Goals 3 (Healthy Lives and Well-being) and 17 (Partnerships), adopted in 2015 at the General Assembly of the United Nations.

### THE CONTEXT

**300,000**

new cases of pediatric cancer annually among children and teenagers

Source: IARC 2016

### THE FOUNDATION'S ACTIONS

2006 - 2016

**60** projects in **45** countries

**50,000** children cared for

**16,000** health professionals trained

The **My Child Matters** program fights childhood cancer via several actions.

**Training health professionals:**

- diploma courses for onco-pediatricians in Francophone Africa,
- lifelong training for nurses and paramedics.

**Palliative care:** establishing palliative care networks and training in pain treatment.

**Retinoblastoma:** improving early diagnosis, providing conservative treatment, and implementing prosthetic eyes after surgery.

**Registers:** introducing pediatric cancer surveillance systems by recording epidemiological data.

## OUR PROJECTS IN 2017

BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES	PROJECTS	KEY PARTNERS
17 African countries	1. School of Pediatric Oncology: training doctors in pediatric oncology and palliative care.	Franco-African Pediatric Oncology Group (GFAOP)
	2. Developing a research network for improving knowledge about pediatric cancer in Africa.	
	3. Training health professionals in palliative care and pain management.	
Mali	Improving early diagnosis and therapeutic management of retinoblastoma.	Global Alliance Against Cancer (AMCC) and GFAOP
Senegal	Monitoring a care unit in pediatric oncology in Dakar and decentralizing care in St. Louis.	Le Dantec Hospital (Dakar) St. Louis Hospital
Pakistan	1. Pediatric oncology training program to improve the early diagnosis and treatment of childhood cancers.	Children Cancer Foundation Pakistan Trust (Karachi)
	2. Training health professionals in palliative care and pain management.	The Children Hospital and Institute of Child Health (Lahore)
Philippines	Improving access to treatment and care for children with retinoblastoma and leukemia.	Philippine Children's Medical Center (Quezon City)
Thailand	Training health professionals in palliative care and pain management.	Faculty of Medicine Prince of Songka University
3 Latin American countries (Honduras, Haiti, Nicaragua)	Training health professionals in palliative care and pain management.	UNOP - National Unity Pediatric Oncology
Colombia	1. Consolidating and extending a childhood cancer surveillance system (register).	Universidad del Valle (Cali)
	2. Improved early diagnosis of pediatric cancers.	
Guatemala	Improving early diagnosis of pediatric cancers.	UNOP - National Unity Pediatric Oncology
Honduras	Training in care for childhood cancers in San Pedro Sula hospital.	Honduran Foundation For Children With Cancer
Paraguay	Decentralizing and improving the care of children with brain tumors.	Pediatric and Oncology Unit - National University of Asuncion
Nicaragua	Preventing infectious complications associated with pediatric cancers.	Jesus Rivera Children Hospital



## IMPROVING MATERNAL AND NEWBORN HEALTH

### Enabling better access to quality care for women and newborns in developing countries

In Africa and Asia, the majority of women and their babies do not receive skilled care during childbirth, and fewer still receive effective pre- or postnatal care.

Since 2010, the Foundation has been engaged with the International Confederation of Midwives (ICM) and its NGO partners in supporting the development of holistic, long-term programs focused on three priorities:

- **Improving the coordination of care and promoting the multidisciplinary management of pregnancy and childbirth**, mostly in emergency cases.
- **Upgrading local skills**, particularly among midwives in remote areas.
- **Mobilizing communities and strengthening education and prevention** among families.

The programs led by the Sanofi Espoir Foundation meet Sustainable Development Goals 3 (Healthy Lives and Well-being) and 17 (Partnerships), adopted in 2015 at the General Assembly of the United Nations.

#### THE CONTEXT

**300,000** women die each year during pregnancy, childbirth or the puerperium

**50%** of deliveries occur without medical assistance

**2,6 million** stillbirths

Sources: WHO, UNFPA, Lancet - 2015

#### THE FOUNDATION'S ACTIONS

2010-2016

**17** projects supported by the Foundation

**2,98 M** women monitored

**870,000** pregnant women cared for

**6,520** health staff trained, including 2,600 midwives

**The Sanofi Espoir Foundation has supported the WAHA International Association in Ethiopia since 2013** in a project aimed at alleviating the midwifery skills gap and improving the way midwives organize themselves and their work environment (infrastructure, facilities and medical equipment, transport of patients, etc). In addition to boosting the skills of midwives, the project enables them to network with other professionals involved in maternal health so as to provide ongoing training and encourage multidisciplinary collaboration. **Among other advances, the NGO has developed a decision-support tool for midwives** to help improve the management of deliveries and maternal and neonatal complications. **A free call center has also been set up** to allow midwives to share knowledge on specific cases. In three years, the project has monitored 1.8 million women, including 277,000 pregnant women.

## OUR PROJECTS IN 2017

BENEFICIARY COUNTRIES	PROJECTS	KEY PARTNERS
Madagascar, Ivory Coast and the Comoros	Boosting the level of midwifery training in Francophone Africa.	International Confederation of Midwives (ICM)
Algeria	Promoting early, multidisciplinary screening of newborn disorders in Algiers.	Santé Sud
Ethiopia	Boosting midwifery skills and improving the working environment.	WAHA International
Tanzania	Improving obstetric health services and boosting midwifery practice.	CAM - TAMA
Senegal, Ivory Coast	Regional program for midwifery capacity building.	AMREF Flying Doctors
Burma	Promoting the profession and upskilling midwives.	Première Urgence Internationale
Mongolia	Improvement program for maternal and child care for the population of Arkhangai.	Santé Sud



## IMPROVING ACCESS TO CARE FOR THE MOST VULNERABLE POPULATIONS IN FRANCE

### Structuring and adapting care provision for those most in need in France

Extreme poverty persists in France, affecting more and more people, including women and children. For the hardest hit, accessing healthcare can be an insurmountable obstacle.

Acknowledging this growing problem and the need to act urgently to adapt care to new needs, the Foundation has chosen to support additional programs focused on new activities and locations.

The Sanofi Espoir Foundation's programs meet the Sustainable Development Goals adopted in 2015 at the United Nations General Assembly and specifically Goal 3 (Healthy Lives and Well-being), 10 (Reducing Inequalities) and 17 (Partnerships).

#### THE CONTEXT

**8,8 million** people (14% of the population) live on less than €1,008 a month

There are more than **140,000** homeless people

In **72,1%** of cases, a lack of financial resources is the reason for giving up care

Source : Insee 2014

#### THE FOUNDATION'S ACTIONS

2010 - 2016

**11** projects supported

**57,500** beneficiaries of medical actions, 50% of them women and children

**13,500** referrals to common law structures

**The Apprentis d’Auteuil Foundation** deals with more than 25,000 young people and 6,000 families suffering from social, family or school difficulties.

**The partnership with the Sanofi Espoir Foundation began in June 2016** will, after a 3-year period of needs assessment on health issues, make it possible to establish a truly national health policy for all Apprentis Auteuil facilities in France.

To ensure access to healthcare for the greatest number of vulnerable young people, it is essential that institutions hosting them can offer medical and/or psychologically-adapted assistance.

## OUR PROJECTS IN 2017

BENEFICIARY COUNTRY	PROJECTS	KEY PARTNERS
France	Accessing care for vulnerable populations via mobile and fixed health facilities.	French Red Cross
	Improving the reception, access to care and guidance of people in precarious situations, particularly children and young unaccompanied minors.	Médecins du Monde
	Better medical care as part of the reform of the right to asylum and for homeless families in Paris.	CASP (Social Protestant Home)
	Optimizing the care pathway for vulnerable women and victims of violence in Seine-Saint-Denis.	Maison des femmes of Saint-Denis
	Promoting and rolling out a health policy for youth and vulnerable families supported by Apprentis d’Auteuil.	Apprentis d’Auteuil
	Survey-Action DSAFIR (Rights, Health and Access to Care for Hosted, Isolated and Refugee Women).	Samusocial de Paris
	Improving access to health for beneficiaries of the Emmaüs employability project.	Emmaüs Défi
	Access to healthcare for vulnerable migrants in the Paris region.	Comede (Committee for the Health of Exiles)



## RESPONDING TO HUMANITARIAN EMERGENCIES

### Meeting the health needs of populations affected by humanitarian crises

In humanitarian crises, the Sanofi Espoir Foundation tries to combine emergency responses to help the victims with a longer-term vision of laying foundations for sustainable development. As a healthcare partner, the Foundation plays an important role in coordinating aid on the ground in emergency situations. Depending on the situation and the health needs that have been identified, the Foundation's response can result in financial donations to NGOs and associations, or donations of medicines and vaccines in partnership with the Tulipe association.

The Foundation's actions address the Sustainable Development Goals adopted in 2015 during the United Nations General Assembly and specifically Goal 3 (Healthy Lives and Well-being) and 17 (Partnerships).

#### THE CONTEXT

**65,3 million** people  
uprooted worldwide

**21,3 million** refugees, half of  
them under 18

**14 times** greater risk of dying for  
women and children during natural disasters

Source: UNHCR 2015

#### THE FOUNDATION'S ACTIONS

2010-2016

**36 countries** have  
benefited from emergency actions by

**13 organizations**  
that partner the Foundation

For increasingly numerous and chronic humanitarian emergencies, the Foundation tries to combine its emergency response with a global, longer-term vision. It therefore works to develop solutions that better anticipate crises, in a perspective of sustainable development.

The Foundation's support makes it possible to:

- implement short-term actions during a sudden crisis or develop projects lasting several months or years if the situation becomes chronic or prolonged,
- put solutions in place to anticipate disasters and raise public awareness to overcome these crises.

**The Sanofi Espoir Foundation is a partner of the Première Urgence Internationale Association**, which runs a primary health care center in the Bardarash refugee camp in Iraqi Kurdistan. The center houses a mother-and-child facility dedicated to the sexual and reproductive health of displaced people living in the camp, especially pregnant women of childbearing age, and children. The unit opened in 2016 with the support of the Sanofi Espoir Foundation, and delivers ante- and postnatal and gynecological consultations, care for the newborn, psychosocial support, immunization and growth monitoring.



**This center aims to preserve and strengthen the bond between mothers and their children under five years old**, through practical workshops and awareness sessions on maternity issues (portering, bathing, feeding, etc). Since its opening, 6,260 people have been taken care of.

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