CAPACITY STATEMENT

Health and Nutrition

We want all children in Sudan to enjoy good health. Good health and nutrition empowers children, families, and communities, spurring them on to live fuller, freer lives. We are working towards this by:

- Increasing the number of children who are protected from disease
- Increasing the number of children who are well nourished
- Ensuring children and their caregivers have access to essential health services

What is the problem?

Despite improvements in Sudan in the recent past, children are among the most vulnerable and are constantly at risk of disease outbreaks, such as cholera, diarrhoea, malaria and respiratory infections, such as pneumonia. These risk factors are made more acute when you account for poor health and nutrition during pregnancy and their first years of life. These factors are exacerbated by low investment in the nascent health infrastructure; a lack of health and hygiene knowledge; inadequate access to sanitation facilities and human displacement.

How is World Vision addressing the issues?

We are working to meet the needs of children by focusing on where life starts, providing counselling and support to pregnant women. We do this primarily by providing outpatient services and responding to disease outbreaks. We are also trying to address the root of the problem by supporting vaccination efforts, contributing to infrastructure upgrades and training health personnel.

2022 Impact Figures*

- **41,000** children below five years old immunised against childhood diseases
- **20,000** mothers with newborns received post-natal visits during the first week after birth
- **139,000** free consultations provided in World Vision run health facilities
- **56** World Vision primary health care facilities supported
- **80,000** people received nutrition care, including children under five who were admitted with malnutrition cases

*figures rounded off