







## Enabling Access to Essential Health Services

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Reliable electricity in health-care facilities is critical to quality health-care provision, from managing childbirth and emergencies to immunization. Spotlights, suction units, oxygen concentrators, baby warmers, photo-therapy, vaccines refrigerators, diagnostic equipment and many other devices just cannot work without power.

Electricity is essential to ensure basic amenities, such as lighting, clean water supply, adequate ventilation, space heating and cooling, and communication as well as to enable telemedicine and remote care. Electricity access in rural and remote areas increases the sense of safety and security for patients and staff at night.

Despite the key role of reliable electricity in health-care facilities to achieve universal health coverage, 1 billion people in lowand lower-middle-income countries are still served by health-care facilities without reliable electricity or with no electricity access at all.

Join the World Health Organization, SELCO Foundation and UNICEF at the 'Energy for Health' Activation in the Diamond Area, Blue Zone at COP 28, to see how decentralized renewable energy solutions can enable the provision of essential quality health services while increasing the climate resilience of the health-care facilities.



## **Immerse**

Understanding the local context

What does it mean to be an expecting mother with limited access to health-care in energy poor and climate vulnerable areas?

What are the daily challenges and hurdles faced by health professionals in remote areas without electricity?

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## Solutions

Identifying health-care facility electrification approaches and solutions which maximize impact and enable fast action

How can we seize the opportunities provided by renewable energy technologies to accelerate electrification of health-care facilities?

How can we strengthen the climate resilience of health-care facilities and make them less vulnerable to the impact of climate change?

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