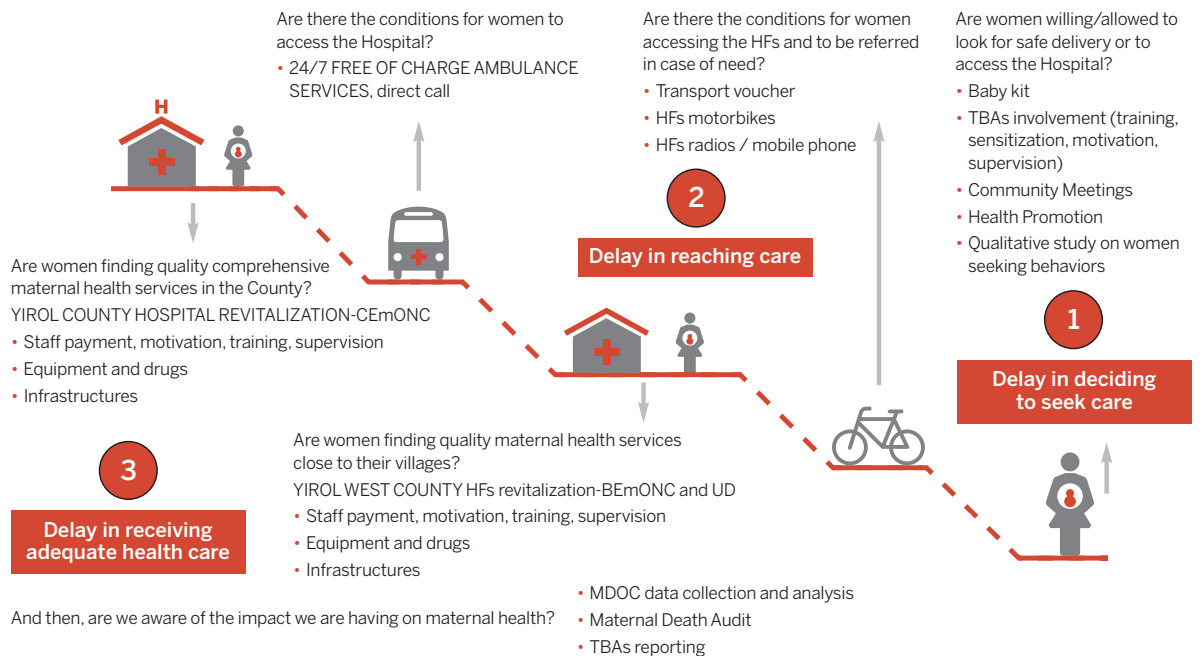


# CUAMM'S STRATEGY FOR MATERNAL MORTALITY AND MORBIDITY REDUCTION IN YIROL WEST COUNTY

Doctors with Africa CUAMM intervention in Yirol West County, South Sudan, started in 2006 with the aim of increasing quality, access and utilization of Mothers and Children health care. The strategy follows the «Continuum of care» model, working towards the provision of adequate care at all levels, from hospital to communities. Furthermore, activities are specifically designed to tackle the three types of delays that pregnant women experience everyday: delay in deciding to seek care, delay in reaching care and delay in receiving adequate care (Figure 1). CUAMM's intervention has been implemented

with a particular perspective, starting from ensuring comprehensive health care provision and then going down incentivizing demand, in this way guaranteeing quality and responsive offer to ground needs. Results from 2009 to 2017 show a significant increase in institutional deliveries both at hospital and health centres (Figure 2). The challenge will be to maintain and further improve such encouraging achievements in a Country that is experiencing high levels of conflicts with consequent instability and fragility and which health system still depends on external support.

**Figure 1:** Cuamm's intervention activities within the "continuum of care" and "3 delay" models.



**Figure 2:** Institutional deliveries in Yirol West County from 2009 to 2017 in hospital and at health facilities.

