

# THE ALLIANCE FOR CHILD PROTECTION IN HUMANITARIAN ACTION

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#### **About Us**



The Alliance for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action (the Alliance) is a **global network** of **operational agencies**, **academic institutions**, **policymakers**, **donors and practitioners**. We facilitate inter-agency technical collaboration and advocacy to **prevent and protect children** from experiencing abuse, neglect, exploitation and violence in all humanitarian settings.

By **setting standards** and **producing technical guidance**, the Alliance support the efforts of humanitarian actors to achieve **high-quality and effective child protection interventions** in humanitarian contexts.

#### The Alliance's Work Falls into Five Core Functions:



Capacity Building, Learning & Development



Advocacy



Convening

Standard Setting & Guidance
Development



Evidence & Knowledge Generation

72%

Of members are Local and National Organisations

#### Membership

235+
Members

8,000

Users reached monthly through Alliance platforms

### The Alliance Strategy (2021-2025)

The Alliance 2021-2025 Strategy centres around one goal:

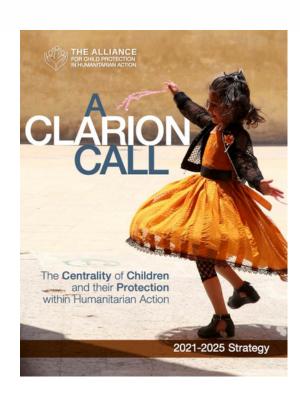


The **CENTRALITY** of **CHILDREN** and their **PROTECTION** is recognised and prioritised as **ESSENTIAL** and **LIFE-SAVING** across the humanitarian system.

The centrality of children and their protection reflects a greater to need to prioritise children, broadly, and their protection and well-being, specifically, across the humanitarian system.

The centrality of children and their protection begins with recognising children as a distinct group from adults, with unique and diverse needs and capacities that differ by age, gender, ability, and other diversity factors.

It is time to recognise children for who they are: a unique, diverse, and significant group of rights holders, with the right to be treated with dignity, the right to be heard, and the right to exercise their agency and be actively involved in the programmes and decisions that affect their lives.



Read the Alliance
Strategy

<u>Explore the</u> <u>Centrality Graphic</u> All the Alliance's technical work, advocacy, collaborations, and partnerships, will contribute to this goal through action and progress on four strategic priorities:



**ACCOUNTABILITY TO CHILDREN,** including ensuring their meaningful participation



**LOCALISATION –** Transforming how child protection works in humanitarian action



MULTI-SECTOR AND INTEGRATED PROGRAMMING AND COLLABORATION



**PREVENTION** 



**LOOKING AHEAD...** The Climate Crisis, Climate Justice, and Child Protection

The Alliance is issuing a clarion call to the humanitarian system:

Children and their protection must lie at the heart of each humanitarian action.



Everyone has a role to play in the protection of children.

# Working Groups

The Working Groups contribute to four out of the five core functions of the Alliance:

#### <u>Child Protection</u> <u>Minimum</u> <u>Standards</u>



This CPMS Working Group supports the participatory setting of sectorwide standards for child protection in humanitarian action, promotes their use and institutionalisation and captures lessons learned to improve them.

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# <u>Learning &</u> <u>Development</u>



The L&D Working Group strives to make qualitative learning products available and increase learning opportunities using a competency based approach. Please reach out for any query on learning and development!

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# <u>Assessment,</u> <u>Measurement, &</u> Evidence



The AME Working Group generates, synthesises, and uses agency-specific and inter-agency evidence to promote effective interventions.

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#### **Advocacy**



The Advocacy Working Group seek to raise awareness and understanding of child protection with key stakeholders, support crossorganisational action in response to protection threats and advocate for actions that seek to recognise child rights and child protection in humanitarian settings.

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### **Task Forces**

These areas are currently reinforced by seven Task Forces that focus on specific, technical child protection issues.

#### <u>Case</u> <u>Management</u>



This Task Force is a group of experts and practitioners who work together to improve the quality and effectiveness of child protection case management in humanitarian settings.

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# Children Associated with Armed Forces & Armed Groups



This Task Force provides technical support and capacity building to strengthen quality programming in emergencies that prevents recruitment, facilitates release and responds to the needs of children associated with armed forces or armed groups.

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#### <u>Cash and</u> <u>Child Protection</u>



This Task Force documents evidence on the impact and effectiveness of Cash and Voucher Assistance on child protection outcomes in emergencies, their potential for greater use and impact, and their risks to improve policy and practise.

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#### **Child Labor**



This Task Force ensures practical coordination and collaboration amongst humanitarian responders and development actors to strengthen the quality and coordination of child labour preparedness, prevention and response actions in emergencies.

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## Community-Level Child Protection



This Task Force aims to strengthen the evidence base for Community-Level Child Protection programming, documenting innovative and promising practices, and developing guidance and capacity-building resources based on learning.

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#### <u>Family</u> <u>Strengthening</u>



This Task Force ensures children in humanitarian settings have improved psychosocial wellbeing and are better protected from abuse, neglect, violence and exploitation through a positive strengthened family environment.

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#### <u>Unaccompanied and</u> <u>Separated Children</u>



This Task Force aims to enhance the protection of unaccompanied and separated children in situations of conflict and natural disaster, through strengthening and harmonising case management of Unaccompanied and Separated Children.

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#### The Alliance Initiatives

In addition to the Working Groups and Task Forces, the Alliance has developed a series of initiatives to support specific areas of CPHA and help maintain linkages with other global bodies.



The <u>Alliance Prevention Initiative</u> seeks to ensure prevention is <u>understood</u> and <u>prioritised</u> as a <u>critical element</u> of child protection across humanitarian action. Further investment in preventing harm to children, in addition to responsive actions, is needed for humanitarians to fulfill their ethical duty to prevent harm when possible, to uphold the <u>best interest and rights of the child</u> and to <u>potentially be more cost-effective</u> in our programming.

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Working together with the <u>Inter-Agency Network for Education in Emergencies</u> (INEE), the Alliance <u>Child Protection in Humanitarian Action and Education in Emergencies Initiative</u> encourages and supports <u>collaboration</u> between the two sectors. The aim is to develop closer collaboration between CPHA & EiE actors at all levels of the Humanitarian Programme Cycle and at every stage in response.

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The Alliance is truly "more than the sum of its parts". While each member plays an important, individualized role in protecting children, our combined skills and experience allow us to greatly increase our impact.

#### **General Members**

All NGOs, community and faithbased organisations, UN agencies, networks, partnerships, nongovernmental donors, academic and learning institutions can become general members of the Alliance.

<u>Apply Here</u>

#### **Associate Members**

All **individuals and governments** can be associate members of the Alliance.
Organisations that do not directly work in child protection, but work in a related field, can also be associate members.

<u>Apply Here</u>

#### **Core Members**

General members of the Alliance can apply for core membership **after at least a year of being an active general member**. They form the Steering Committee and set the strategic direction of the Alliance.

To learn more about membership eligibility, click here.

#### **Recent Products**

Primary Prevention Framework for Child Protection in Humanitarian Action Introductory Learning Package

Child Protection Case Management Training
Package for Caseworkers in Humanitarian
Settings





GUIDANCE NOTE
Supporting Integrated Child Protection
and Education Programming in
Humanitarian Action

Inter-agency
Network for Education
in Emergencies



Background Paper | Child Labour and Education in Humanitarian Settings

Guidance Note | Supporting Integrated Child Protection and Education Programming in Humanitarian Action

**Qualitative Assessment Approaches for the Protection of Children with Disabilities Within Humanitarian Contexts** 

Guidance Note | Primary Prevention of Family Separation



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#### **CPHA Community of Practice**

The Alliance is currently co-led by UNICEF and World Vision.

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The Alliance's Secretariat supports fund-raising efforts, implementation of work plans, collaboration with other networks and sectors, pilot-testing tools and products and knowledge management. The Secretariat is also responsible for general convening, including the Child Protection in Humanitarian Action Annual Meeting.

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