

## Health financing in conflict-affected and post-conflict settings: Resources from ReBUILD's work

The list below is complete as of October 2018. Further information and resources are available on the ReBUILD website - [www.rebuildconsortium.com](http://www.rebuildconsortium.com), via the regularly updated [Resources page](#). Other resources from ReBUILD's work on health financing can be found [at this link](#).

An online version of this resource list can be accessed at <http://bit.ly/2yFr0x8>.

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A separate set of resources from ReBUILD's **human resources for health** work [can be found here](#).

### Introduction: ReBUILD's research on health financing in conflict-affected & post-conflict settings

ReBUILD's research started with an overview literature review on health financing in post-conflict states, which fed into the development of research projects to fill some identified gaps, including:

- The changes in health financing policies in four countries and how they affected household access and expenditure
- A four-country study on health worker incentives post-conflict
- Social network analysis of aid actors in northern Uganda
- A review of contracting mechanisms in Cambodia
- A review of purchasing mechanisms in Zimbabwe
- A literature review and expert consultation on health financing and gender

During ReBUILD's extension phase additional health financing projects have been looking at:

- [Performance based financing \(PBF\) in fragile and conflict-affected settings](#), and how contextual factors influence adoption, adaptation, implementation and integration of PBF, and how PBF programmes could be improved and ultimately strengthen health systems in FCAS.
- [Demographic and distributional impacts of conflicts and implications for health systems](#). Building on the phase 1 research on health financing, this project aims to understand the implications of conflict-related demographic change for health financing and social protection policies intended to ensure access to healthcare without impoverishing effects.

## Resources:

### Initial literature review

- Witter, S. (2012) [Health financing in post-conflict states: what do we know and what are the gaps?](#) *Social Science and Medicine*, vol. 75, p.2370-2377.

### Findings on health financing policies and household effects

- Ensor, S. Chhun, C., Kimsun, T., McPake, B and Edoka, I. [Impact of health financing policies in Cambodia: A 20 year experience](#) *Social Science & Medicine*, Volume 177, March 2017, Pages 118–126
- Ros, B., Le, G., McPake, B. and Fustukian, S. [The commercialization of traditional medicine in modern Cambodia](#) *Health Policy and Planning*, 2017, 1 - 8, czx144
- Ensor, T., So, S. and Witter, S. (2016) [Exploring the influence of context and policy on health district productivity in Cambodia](#). *Cost effectiveness and resource allocation*, 14:1.
- Edoka, I., Ensor, T., McPake, B., Amara, R., Tseng, FM and Edem-Hotah, J [Free health care for under-fives, expectant and recent mothers? Evaluating the impact of Sierra Leone’s free health care initiative](#) *Health Economics Review* (2016) 6:19 DOI 10.1186/s13561-016-0096-4
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- Buzuzi, S., Chandiwana, B., Munyati, S., Chirwa, Y., Mashange, W., Chandiwana, P., Fustukian, S. and McPake, B. (2016). [Impact of user fees on health care seeking behaviour and financial protection during the crisis period in Zimbabwe: A life history approach](#). ReBUILD RPC Working Paper
- [A strong public health sector key for health system resilience in Gulu district, northern Uganda](#) ReBUILD RPC Brief (Uganda)
- [ReBUILDing Health Systems Beyond Health Facilities](#) ReBUILD RPC Brief (Uganda)

### Performance-based financing

- Bertone, MP., Wurie, HR., Samai, M. & Witter, S. (2018) [The bumpy trajectory of performance-based financing for healthcare in Sierra Leone: agency, structure and frames shaping the policy process](#) *Globalization and Health* 14:99

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- Bertone, M., Jacobs, E., Toonen, J., Akwataghibe, N. and Witter S. (2018) [Performance-based financing in three humanitarian settings: principles and pragmatism](#) Conflict and Health 12:28
- [Performance-based financing in fragile and conflict-affected settings - a summary](#) Witter, S. & Bertone M. (2018) ReBUILD Briefing paper
- Bertone MP, Lagarde M, Witter S, (2016) [Performance-Based Financing in the context of the complex remuneration of health workers: findings from a mixed-method study in rural Sierra Leone](#). BMC Health Services Research 16:286

### Contracting in Cambodia

- Vong, S., Raven, J. and Newlands, D. (2018) [Internal contracting of health services in Cambodia: drivers for change and lessons learned after a decade of external contracting](#) BMC Health Services Research 18:375
- Vong, S., Raven, J. and Newlands, D. 2015. [Understanding contracting in Cambodia: The performance of contracting and non-contracting districts in extending primary health coverage: analysis of secondary data](#). ReBUILD RPC Research Report
- Vong, S., Raven, J. and Newlands, D. 2015. [Understanding contracting in Cambodia: findings from interviews with key informants and health service managers and providers](#). ReBUILD RPC Research Report

### Financing for universal health coverage in Zimbabwe

- MoHCC, TARSC, Atchison, KIT, Zeparu (2015) [Evidence and proposals for advancing equity and universal coverage of health services in Zimbabwe](#) Policy Brief, TARSC/MoHCC, Harare. (This policy brief outlines the main findings and proposals from the project conducted by ReBUILD's partners in Zimbabwe on [Rebuilding the foundations for universal health coverage with equity in Zimbabwe](#).)
- MoHCC, NIHR, TARSC (2015) [National Research Forum: Evidence for advancing Universal Health Coverage in Zimbabwe, Conference Report](#), 19 -20 March 2015, Harare
- Gwati G MoHCC (2013) [Desk Review for Purchasing Arrangements for Public Health Services in Zimbabwe](#) Harare, MoHCC, with TARSC Zimbabwe
- ZEPARU (2014) [Desk Review of institutional arrangements for health financing in Zimbabwe](#), ZEPARU, TARSC, MoHCC, EQUINET in the ReBUILD project: Harare
- Vaughan K, Toonen J, Berghuis-Mutubuki E, Dieleman M (2014) [Desk Review of institutional arrangements for health financing in selected African countries](#), KIT Netherlands with TARSC, MoHCC Zimbabwe

## Health financing and gender

- Witter, S., Govender, V., Ravindran, S. and Yates, R. (2017) [Minding the gaps: health financing, universal health coverage and gender](#). Special edition on gender and ethics, *Health Policy and Planning*.
- Ssali, S. and Theobald, S. (2016) [Using life histories to explore gendered experiences of conflict in Gulu District, northern Uganda: Implications for post-conflict health reconstruction](#) *South African Review of Sociology* Volume 47, Issue 1, 2016

## Cross-cutting materials

- [Nine briefs on priority research topics for crisis-affected contexts](#), ReBUILD, June 2017/18
  1. [Resilience of health systems during and after crises – what does it mean and how can it be enhanced?](#)
  2. [Developing inclusive health systems in crisis-affected settings](#)
  3. [How to move towards universal health coverage in crisis-affected settings: lessons from research](#)
  4. [How do different types of provider affect access to effective and affordable healthcare during and after crises?](#)
  5. [The political economy of crisis-affected settings: what does it mean for investments in health systems?](#)
  6. [Do health systems contribute to reduced fragility and state-building during and after crises?](#)
  7. [Sustainability of health systems in crisis-affected settings: lessons for practice](#)
  8. [Developing health system research capacity in crisis-affected settings: why and how?](#)
  9. [What do we know about how to respond to humanitarian crises in ways that also contribute to subsequent stronger health systems?](#)
- Ager, A., Lembani, M., Mohammed, A., Ashir, GM., Abdulwahab, A., de Pinho, H., Delobelle, P. and Zarowsky, C. (2015) [Health service resilience in Yobe state, Nigeria in the context of the Boko Haram insurgency: a systems dynamics analysis using group model building](#). *Conflict and Health* 2015 9:30
- Martineau, T., McPake, B., Theobald, S., Raven, J., Ensor, T., Fustukian, S., Ssengooba, F., Chirwa, Y., Vong, S., Wurie, H., Hooton, N and Witter, S. (2017) [Leaving no one behind: lessons on rebuilding health systems in conflict and crisis-affected states](#). *BMJ Global Health* Jul 2017, 2 (2)
- [Health financing policy in conflict-affected settings: lessons from ReBUILD research](#). ReBUILD briefing paper (2016)
- Woodward, A., Sondorp, E., Witter, S. and Martineau, M. (2016) [Health systems research in fragile and conflict affected states: a research agenda-setting exercise](#). *Health Research Policy & Systems*; July 2016; 14(1):51.
- [Universal health coverage amid conflict and fragility: ten lessons from research](#). (Witter, S., Dec 2015, Lancet Global Health blog)

- McPake, B., Witter, S., Ssali, S., Wurie, H., Namakula, J. and Ssenooba, F. (2015) [Ebola in the context of conflict affected states and health systems: case studies of Northern Uganda and Sierra Leone](#). *Conflict and Health*; 9; 23.
- Percival, V., Richards, E., MacLean, T. and Theobald, S. (2014) [Health systems and gender in post-conflict contexts: building back better?](#) *Conflict and Health* 2014, 8:19
- McPake, B., Witter, S., Ensor, T., Fustukian, S., Newlands, D., Martineau, T. and Chirwa, Y. (2013) [Removing financial barriers to access reproductive, maternal and newborn health services: the challenges and policy implications for human resources](#). *Human Resources for Health*, 11(1):46.