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How You Can Help

Change a Life

April 26, 2011

Every day, approximately **1,000 women and 2,000 babies die** from preventable causes related to pregnancy and childbirth. **You can help end these tragic losses.**

Buy a pin and change—even save—a life of a woman or a child!



Disease, hunger and abuse are just a few of the harms children face today. INMED's mission is to rescue these children, in part by giving them the healthiest possible start in life—beginning even before they are born.

INMED is giving babies in Peru a healthy start by helping their mothers at the *casas de espera* (maternity waiting homes). Expectant mothers and their families stay at the *casas* in the last stages of their pregnancies or during a high-risk pregnancy to ensure they are close to obstetrical care.

Dina had delivered every one of her babies at home but she decided to change that tradition after hearing about the risks she faced if she didn't come to the *casa*. As it turned out, Dina's baby was malpositioned, and soon after arriving at the *casa*, she had to be transferred to the local hospital to have a C-section. Fortunately, Dina decided to return to the *casa* after leaving the hospital because not long after she arrived, she developed a serious case of abdominal inflammation. Had she gone home, Dina would have spent many hours traveling uncomfortably to get to the health post, or she would not have come until the more severe symptoms had developed, at which time it might have been too late. After four days of care at the *casa*, Dina and her newborn went home happy and healthy.



Please honor Dina and all the brave women like her by **buying an INMED Partnerships for Children lapel pin** for just \$10. The 1" pins are circular with INMED's colorful logo on a white background—an elegant way to say, "**I support INMED and rescue children from harm.**"

Thank you in advance for your generous support.

Warmest regards,

Linda Pfeiffer, Ph.D.
President and CEO