USAID/Uganda's health and HIV/AIDS portfolio focuses on an integrated health systems strengthening approach for primary health care, in line with Uganda's Health Sector Strategic and Investment Plan.

RHITES-N, Acholi is one of five USAID/Uganda activities focused on comprehensive regional health and HIV/AIDS programs. The RHITES-N, Acholi activity, implemented by University Research Co., LLC (URC) and partners, seeks to increase the access and utilization of quality health services in the Acholi Region of Northern Uganda, improve the supporting health systems, and encourage healthy behavior.

The five-year activity targets eight districts (Amuru, Nwoya, Gulu, Pader, Lamwo, Kitgum, Omoro and Agago) in Northern Uganda with an estimated total population of 1.2 million.

By strengthening the capacity of Ugandan institutions and communities to increase access to and utilization of quality, integrated health services in the Acholi Region, this activity aims to have a significant, measurable, and lasting impact on lives of Ugandans in the region. Ultimate success will be based on improvements in key indicators related to HIV and malaria prevalence; maternal, neonatal, and child mortality; modern method contraceptive use, and child development outcomes.

GOAL
Increase the effective use of integrated health services in the Acholi Region of Northern Uganda and strengthen health systems to sustain these gains

OBJECTIVES
- Increase availability and accessibility of health services
- Improve health systems for delivery of quality services
- Increase adoption of healthy behaviors

PARTNERS
- Gulu Women's Economic Development and Globalization (GWED-G)
- Infectious Disease Institute (IDI)
- Panagora Group, LLC
- Uganda Health Marketing Group (UHMG)