

Attacks on Health Care

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SHCC Attacks on Health Care

The section aligns with the [definition](#) of attacks on health care used by the [Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition](#) (SHCC).

Africa

Cameroon

15 July 2022: In Kumna city, Meme department, and Mamfe city, Manyu department, Southwest region, MSF announced that it will terminate its projects from 01 August, following the suspension of its activities in the Southwest region for the past three months. **Sources:** [HumAngle](#) and [MSF](#)

Democratic Republic of the Congo

13 July 2022: In Goma city, North Kivu province, armed men abducted a nurse from a vehicle, which was later recovered. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

16 July 2022: In Luongo grouping, Baswagha chieftaincy, Lubero territory, four men armed with firearms and knives attacked the Masumo Health Centre and stole money and phones. **Source:** [Radio Moto](#)

16 July 2022: In Kiangenda village, Irumu territory, Ituri province, Allied Democratic Forces(ADF) rebels looted pharmacies in the locality, kidnapped 15 people, including 12 children, before they were chased away by the Congolese armed forces. **Source:** [Radio Okapi](#)

Nigeria

15 July 2022: In Zangang community, Kaura LGA, Kaduna state, a Kaduna militia killed two health workers and wounded another as they were returning from work. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

Asia

Afghanistan

19 July 2022: In PD2 Farah city and province, a doctor and head of AABRAR, a welfare foundation that serves people with disabilities by providing them with artificial legs and hands, was killed by armed men. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

Myanmar

Reported on 13 July 2022: In Gangaw, Saw, and Tilin townships, Magway region, the prices of medicines were reported to be four times higher than in the plain regions in Myanmar, due to the confiscation of medicine cargoes and the arrest of civilians who transported or sold pharmaceuticals by the Myanmar military. **Source:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#)

13 July 2022: At the base camp of the local defence force in Seikphyu township, Magway region, the Myanmar military raided the camp and it resulted in the damage of medicines, foods, and shelters. **Source:** [Facebook](#)

13 July 2022: In Ah Lel Seik village, Indaw township, Katha district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military ransacked civilian houses including the house of a military nurse. **Sources:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#) and [Facebook](#)

Reported on 13 to 26 July 2022: There was shortage of pharmaceuticals across Myanmar due to the foreign currency policy, and the terms and conditions on pharmaceutical import licences imposed by the Myanmar military. This resulted in price rise, rationing, people queuing at pharmacies, and some pharmacies being temporarily closed. **Sources:** [BBC Burmese](#), [BBC Burmese II](#), [Burma News International](#), [Chindwin News Agency](#), [Chindwin News Agency II](#), [Dawei Watch](#), [Delta News Agency](#), [Democratic Voice of Burma](#), [Eleven Media](#), [Eleven Media II](#), [Irrawaddy](#), [Irrawaddy II](#), [Khit Thit Media](#), [Mekong news](#), [Mizzima](#), [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#), [Radio Free Asia](#), and [Voice of Myanmar](#)

14-18 July 2022: In Nyaung Hla village, Tabayin township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military ransacked civilian houses and looted medicines, mobile phones and food items. **Source:** [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#)

15 July 2022: In Phaneng village, Matupi township and district, Chin state, the Myanmar military kidnapped a health worker involved in a malaria campaign, his/her spouse, and other four civilians following the killing of a Myanmar military major by the local defence force. The victim was affiliated with the Civil Disobedience Movement (CDM). **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Mizzima](#)

15 July 2022: In Northern Rakhine state, following the tension and clashes between the ethnic army and the Myanmar military, the Myanmar military posed travel restrictions which required NGOs to seek an approval by the minister of security and border affairs. This resulted in delays and cancellation of humanitarian activities. **Sources:** [BBC Burmese](#) and [Myanmar Pressphoto Agency](#)

Reported on 17 July 2022: The Myanmar military restricted the transport of pharmaceuticals from Sittwe - the capital of Rakhine state - to the other townships within the state by checking the cargoes at the jetty and posing a requirement of an approval letter issued by the minister of security and border affairs. **Source:** [BBC Burmese](#)

19 July 2022: In the IDP camp in Kyauktaw township, Mrauk-U district, Rakhine state, the Myanmar military abducted a 39-year-old male traditional medicine practitioner. **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Narinjara](#)

19 July 2022: In Myauk Lu Kan village, Pan Taing Chon village tract, Pakokku township and district, Magway region, robbers stole an ambulance and other valuables from an LNGO. **Sources:** [Standard Times Daily](#) and [Voice of Myanmar](#)

Reported on 20 July 2022: In Pinlaung town and township, Taunggyi district, Shan state, the Myanmar military reportedly forbade pharmacies from selling medicines to IDPs, and confiscated medicine supplies at checkpoints between Aungban town, Kalaw township and Pinlaung town. **Source:** [Shan News](#)

21 July 2022: In Yankin township, Yangon city and region, the Moe Kaung Treasure Private Hospital was hit with an improvised rocket, damaging a wall of the building. The hospital was owned by the coup leader. **Sources:** [Eleven Media](#), [Khit Thit Media](#) and [WHOSSA](#)²

21 July 2022: In Twantay town and township, Yangon district, Yangon region, the Myanmar military kidnapped four volunteers from the LNGO We Love Yangon (Twantay). **Sources:** [ACLED](#)¹ and [Facebook](#)

23 July 2022: In Ngar Tin Gyi village, Khin-U township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, a rural health centre was damaged in an arson attack by the Myanmar military. **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Standard Times Daily](#)

24 July 2022: In Budalin town and township, Monywa district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military confiscated an ambulance owned by an LNGO. **Source:** [Mizzima](#)

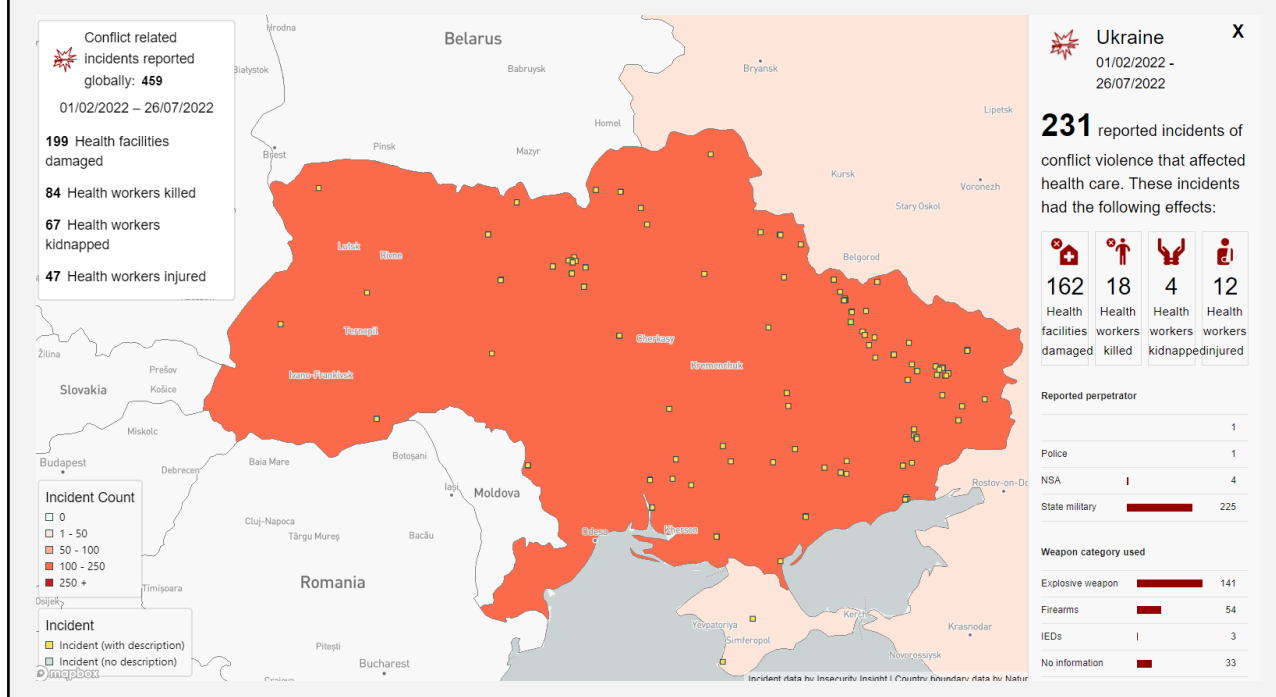
26 July 2022: Near Ma Gyi Oke village, Khin-U township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military opened fire at an ambulance with a 14-year-old male patient on board, killing him and the ambulance driver. The patient's mother was physically abused but later escaped. At the time of the attack, the patient was on his way to seek medical care for gunshot wounds to his hand and chest sustained from the attacks by the Myanmar military. The Myanmar military seized the ambulance. **Sources:** [Khit Thit Media](#), [Myanmar Now](#) and [Myanmar Now II](#)

Europe

Ukraine

📌 Latest Data Release

The 24 February-26 July 2022 data on incidents of violence against or obstruction of health care in Ukraine is now available for download on [HDX](#) or to explore on our [interactive map](#). Our data includes available information on who the perpetrators were and what weapons were used. We are currently carrying out a verification process against other sources.



Middle East North Africa

Syrian Arab Republic

17 July 2022: On the road between Raju town and Afrazieh village, Aleppo governorate, armed individuals kidnapped a doctor, physically assaulted him, stole cash and mobile phone then left him injured in agricultural fields. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

Yemen

17 July 2022: In Ash Shaikh Outhman district, Aden governorate, policemen from Al Arish department opened fire on an ambulance carrying injured fighters from the 1st Giants Brigade after clashes erupted between the two parties. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

The Americas

Honduras

22 July 2022: In Colonia Torocagua city, Francisco Morazan department, armed men attacked a private clinic, shooting the entrance and windows in a suspected extortion attack. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

Global Health Insecurity

These events go beyond the definition used by the SHCC to cover a wider range of events that affect the provision of health care including events perpetrated by patients or relatives of patients, private individuals and criminals as well as significant strike action or protests by health care personnel.

Africa

Democratic Republic of the Congo

18 July 2022: In Butembo city, North Kivu province, civilians set fire to Baraka Hospital after they accused a health official of being implicated in the assassination of a local resident. As a result, a number of buildings in the hospital as well as health equipment were destroyed. **Source:** [Radio Moto](#)

Sudan

As reported on 14 July 2022: In Nuba Mountains, South Kordofan state, the general strike of government employees, which has been ongoing for the past three months, has led to the closure of the Teaching Hospital of Kadugli city, the Dilling Teaching Hospital and the Mother Bakheeta Maternity Hospital of Dilling town, and the Abbasiya Hospital of Abbasiya locality. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

As reported on 14 July 2022: In South Darfur state, a strike launched by medical personnel six weeks ago remained in force, as the state government has not responded to their calls. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

Violence Against Health Care in Conflict in Sudan in 2021

52 incidents of violence or obstruction against health care were perpetrated in Sudan in 2021, according to a [new Arabic-language Sudan factsheet](#) published today by the [Safeguarding Health in Conflict Coalition](#) (SHCC), based on data collated by coalition member [Insecurity Insight](#). Prior to the October 25, 2021 coup most attacks on health care in Sudan in 2021 were perpetrated by non-state actors or militia. After the coup violence against health care escalated sharply in the context of anti-coup protests.

- Watch [1-minute video](#)
- Factsheet: [Arabic](#) | [English](#)
- Dataset: data.humdata.org/dataset/sudan-violence-against-civilians-and-vital-civilian-facilities
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¹ Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 27 July 2022

² WHOSSA accessed 27 July 2022.

