

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

Burkina Faso

27 July 2022, In Zorkoum village, Sanmatenga province, Centre-Nord region, suspected Jamaat Nusrat al-Islam wal Muslimeen (JNIM) militants hijacked a vehicle belonging to a health worker.

Source: [ACLED](#)¹

10 August 2022: Near Nassere village, Bam province, Centre-Nord region, suspected JNIM militants hijacked an ambulance tricycle. Source: [ACLED](#)¹

Democratic Republic of the Congo

28 July 2022: In Kindu city, Maniema province, unidentified armed men killed a pharmacist during the night. Source: [La Prunelle](#)

Mali

11 August 2022: On the road between Niafounke and Soumpi, Tombouctou region, suspected JNIM militants kidnapped a male and female COVID-19 vaccination workers. Source: [ACLED](#)¹

Nigeria

03 August 2022: Along Nganzai-Monguno road, Borno state, ISWAP/Boko Haram militants kidnapped a doctor who was on official duty. Source: [ACLED](#)¹

Somalia

07 August 2022: In the Villa Somalia area of Mogadishu city, Al Shabaab militants fired six mortar shells toward Villa Hargeisa where a parliament session was ongoing. Some of the mortars landed on a public hospital. Al Shabaab claimed responsibility. Source: [ACLED](#)¹

Asia

Afghanistan

31 July 2022: In Khair Khana neighbourhood, Kabul city, the head of Istiqlal Hospital nursing department was shot and killed by gunmen. Source: [ACLED](#)¹



Myanmar

27 July 2022: In Be Inn suburb, Kale town, township and district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military detained a doctor and their landlord. The doctor was affiliated with the CDM. **Sources:** [Delta News Agency](#) and [Facebook](#)

28 July 2022: In Ta Ling Kyun village and village tract, Sagaing township, district and region, the Myanmar military torched sixty-three buildings including a rural health centre and staff housing. **Sources:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#) and [Mandalay Free Press](#)

Reported on 29 July 2022: At Kyauk Phyar checkpoint, Myawaddy town, township and district, Kayin state, the Myanmar military arrested a contractor who supplied medicine and equipment to the mobile operation theatre project of the local defence force in Kayah and Kayin states. The military seized medicine and equipment worth one thousand lakh Myanmar kyats (around 54,000 USD). **Sources:** [Chindwin News Agency](#) and [Facebook](#)

29 July 2022: In Chanayethazan township, Mandalay district and region, the Myanmar military closed the Yu-Ya-Metta private clinic on allegations of providing medical care to the local defence force. **Sources:** [Chindwin News Agency](#), [Popular News Journal](#) and [Mandalay Free Press](#)

30 July 2022: In Nam Par Hoke village, Hawng Par village tract, Hpakan town and township, Mohnyin district, Kachin state, an armed group in a vehicle bearing the Kachin Independence Army logo kidnapped a male Red Cross volunteer. **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Mizzima](#)

Reported on 31 July 2022: In Ywar Khaing Gyi village, Myittha township, Kyaukse district, Mandalay region, the Myanmar military occupied a hospital. **Sources:** [Mandalay Free Press](#) and [Mandalay Free Press II](#)

31 July 2022: In Kayan town and township, Yangon South district, Yangon region, the Myanmar military arrested a male doctor and former member of the Union Election Commission. **Source:** [Facebook](#)

01 August 2021: In Mahaaungmyay township, Mandalay district, Mandalay region, the Myanmar military detained a political activist from a private clinic while he was awaiting medical care. **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Myanmar Now](#) and [Voice of Myanmar](#)

01 August 2022: In Let Pan Kyin village and village tract, Myinmu township, Sagaing district and region, a sub-rural health centre was damaged amid a Myanmar military air and land force attack on the area. **Sources:** [Facebook](#), [Khit Thit Media](#) and [Myanmar Now](#)

Reported on 01 August 2022: In Warmeehta village, Me Ka Lar village tract, Myawaddy township and district, Kayin state, the Myanmar military occupied a health facility. **Source:** [Delta News Agency](#)

04 August 2022: In Muse town, township and district, Shan state, the Myanmar military detained two female nurses from a private clinic. Both were affiliated with the CDM, interrogated and forced to sign a conditional release order before being discharged the same day. **Source:** [Shan News](#)

04 August 2022: In Ywar Htaung suburb, Sagaing town, township, district and region, the Myanmar military used an ambulance to detain and take away a 50-year-old civilian. **Source:** [Myanmar Now](#)

06 August 2022: At a state-level public hospital in Taunggyi town, township and district, Shan state, the Myanmar military detained a hospital support staff on allegations of posting a political comment on social media. She was discharged on conditional release order the following day. **Sources:** [Network Media Group and Shan News](#)

07 August 2022: In Shwepyithar town and township, Yangon North district, Yangon region, the Myanmar military detained three members of a family including a doctor and a vet. **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Facebook II](#)

08 August 2022: In Tabayin town and township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military opened fire around the township hospital. **Source:** [Mandalay Free Press](#)

08 August 2022: In Yae Twin Gaung village and village tract, Sagaing township, district and region, the Myanmar military used an ambulance to detain a civilian. **Sources:** [Facebook](#) and [Facebook II](#)

09 August 2022: In Dawparpa village, Tee Lon village tract, Loilemly town, Loikaw township and district, Kayah state, the Myanmar military airstrikes severely damaged a sub-rural health centre, killed a 60-year-old patient, and injured two other civilians. **Sources:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#), [Khit Thit Media](#), [Mizzima](#) and [Myanmar Now](#)

09 August 2022: In Nat Kha Yaing village and village tract, Sagaing township, district and region, the Myanmar military used an ambulance to detain two civilians. **Source:** [Facebook](#)

09 August 2022: In Mu Kan village and village tract, Tabayin township, Shwebo district, Sagaing region, the Myanmar military seized an ambulance and drove it through the village torching houses. **Source:** [Facebook](#)

Reported on 09 August 2022: At the urban health centre in Insein township, Yangon North district, Yangon region, a shortage of Pentavalent vaccine and Pneumococcal vaccine (PCV) for under-five-year-old children has been reported. **Source:** [Democratic Voice of Burma](#)

09 August 2022: In Nanthat village, Naung Kauk village tract, Kyunhla township, Kanbalu district, Sagaing region, a health worker was killed at his home. The SAC media accused the local defence force for the killing. **Source:** [Facebook](#)

Middle East North Africa

Occupied Palestinian Territories

02 August 2022: In an undisclosed location, obstruction to health care delivery was reported. **Source:** [WHOSSA](#)²

05 August 2022: In an undisclosed location, health transportation was impacted by violence with heavy weapons. **Source:** [WHOSSA](#)²

07 August 2022: In an undisclosed location, a health facility was impacted by violence with heavy weapons. **Source:** [WHOSSA](#)²

Syrian Arab Republic

09 August 2022: Around Qamishli city, Al Hasakah governorate, a Turkish drone conducted an airstrike targeting a COVID-19 hospital funded by the UN, killing four people. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

The Americas

Colombia

05 August 2022: In Santander neighbourhood, Tibu city, Norte de Santander department, armed perpetrators stopped an ambulance, forced the paramedics out and then shot and killed the patient inside. The victim, a Venezuelan man, had been previously shot and injured by the same perpetrators in his arms and leg and was being taken to a hospital. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

Haiti

02 August 2022: In Port-au-Prince, Ouest department, five Gheskio Health Centre staff members were kidnapped in Harry Truman Boulevard by suspected gang members while returning home from work. All were released a day later. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

Mexico

03 August 2022: In Minatitlan city, Veracruz state, two armed individuals fired shots at a gynaecological clinic in a suspected extortion-related attack. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

12 August 2022: In Ecatepec de Morelos city, Mexico state, two individuals shot a nurse and a patient, killing both inside a hospital. A security guard was also injured. **Source:** [ACLED](#)¹

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¹ Armed Conflict Location & Event Data Project (ACLED) [database attribution policy](#). Accessed 22 August 2022.

² WHOSSA accessed 22 August 2022.

