



# ABBOTT CENTER FOR MALNUTRITION SOLUTIONS

Proper nutrition is the foundation for living your best life. Yet, malnutrition affects one in three people around the world and impacts people of all ages, all geographies and all socioeconomic classes.

Abbott is committed to reducing malnutrition globally. The Abbott Center for Malnutrition Solutions applies Abbott's science and expertise, in collaboration with others, to make good nutrition accessible to more people around the world. The work of the center also contributes to Abbott's 2030 Sustainability Plan ambition to transform care for malnutrition, chronic disease and infectious disease, with a goal to improve the lives of more than 3 billion people annually by decade's end.

## THE PROBLEM OF MALNUTRITION

Malnutrition affects people in all communities and takes many forms.

**148 MILLION**

KIDS UNDER 5 ARE STUNTED

**462 MILLION**

ADULTS ARE UNDERWEIGHT

**45 MILLION**

KIDS UNDER 5 ARE BELOW A HEALTHY WEIGHT

**1.9 BILLION**

ADULTS ARE OVERWEIGHT OR OBESE, AND 37 MILLION KIDS UNDER 5 ARE OVERWEIGHT

## TAKING A DIFFERENT APPROACH

The Abbott Center for Malnutrition Solutions follows three key principles in its efforts to reduce malnutrition:



### CO-CREATING FOR GLOBAL IMPACT

There is no one solution to eliminate malnutrition. It requires an approach that brings together all sectors and groups, from local communities, governments, health organizations and the private sector, to understand the needs and nuances of malnutrition at a local level and co-create solutions that are both accessible and sustainable.



### BUILDING PATHWAYS FOR SUSTAINABLE CHANGE

Our work is focused on empowering individuals with the skills or tools necessary to respond to the nutritional challenges in their communities in ways that are relevant and can be sustained. By providing evidence of what works at the grassroots level, we can help inform public policies and initiatives to drive long-term impact.



### LEVERAGING SCIENCE AND INNOVATION

Science and innovation are core to addressing malnutrition. Abbott has a long history of success in understanding the science behind nutrition and innovating to make nutrition accessible to people around the world. The center leverages its learnings from previous work, such as [Nourimanba](#) in Haiti, [Ultra Rice](#) in India, the [MUAC z-score tape](#) and the [Malnutrition Quality Improvement Initiative \(MQii\)](#), as examples to guide our ongoing work.

## HOW TO LEARN MORE

For more information about the Abbott Center for Malnutrition Solutions, please see <https://www.abbott.com/malnutrition.html>.