

This resource for all staff implementing development programs. It accompanies CARE's [GBV Guidance for Development Programs](#).

GBV integration resource:

## Impact Area scenario: **Right to Health**

### Scenario

A CARE Women and Girls' Safe Space program implements after-school sessions where women and girls in a rural Indian community learn basic sewing skills, have a place to talk about their lives, and receive women's health education. The counselor at the Women and Girls' Safe Space has explained various contraceptive methods and how they worked and mentioned that the on-site midwife could provide family planning counseling and contraceptive services. Some girls are forced by their families to drop out of school and marry older men, and many women and girls' husbands are physically violent towards them and police their movements. Several women and girls who attend CARE's sessions have often expressed that they do not want to bring up children in abusive homes.

### Suggestions for integrating GBV into this program:



#### Design

- Plan for GBV referral mapping in collaboration with GBV specialists so that participants have access to first-line support including survivor-centered counseling and safety planning.



#### Implementation

- Provide training to the midwife on offering effective GBV first-line support.
- Work with GBV specialists, the midwife, and other health professionals to prepare a response plan for patients who may be experiencing GBV.
- Build the midwife's capacity to provide customized, private, and confidential counseling sessions on contraceptive options, including methods such as injectables and IUDs.