The International Pediatric Association (IPA) expresses deep concern regarding the impact of the ongoing crisis in Myanmar, Syria, and Yemen on children’s wellbeing. Children are the future of every country and it’s each and everyone’s responsibility to protect them and help them to nourish for the betterment of tomorrow.

Social research findings show that children’s earliest experiences significantly influence their future development. The course of their development determines their contribution, or cost, to society over the course of their lives.

Despite much progress in recent decades, millions of children are still living without their basic rights. Now more than ever, children’s lives are being touched by violence, conflict, and the impacts of climate change.

IPA believes that every child regardless of their age, race, gender, wealth, or birthplace deserves all the basic fundamental rights. These rights are enshrined in international law in the Convention on the Rights of the Child (CRC). It recognizes all children must be treated fairly, equally, and with dignity. The child rights convention laws are non-discriminatory and are always in the best interests of the child.

Looking at the current situation which the children are facing in Myanmar, Syria, and Yemen, IPA calls for/advocates its member societies, governments and parents to take action to ensure child rights are protected, respected, and fulfilled.

IPA: working for Every Child, Every Age, Everywhere

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