



# CHECK US OUT AT GNB 2018!

CARE’s child, early, and forced marriage (CEFM) work focuses in high prevalence countries and regions and our projects range from small pilots in localities to large consortium initiatives partnering with government and UN agencies. We have addressed CEFM in isolated rural geographies, semi-urban and urban settings, and in refugee and IDP populations. The approaches we apply—making existing systems work better, shifting social norms, developing male allies, and fostering girls’ agency—have shown the greatest promise in generating lasting change.

CARE is committed to doing its part in reaching SDG 5.3 and ending CEFM, not only because of the negative effects an early marriage can have on a girl- maternal mortality and morbidity, psychological trauma, forced sex and physical abuse, and reduced earning potential—but also because girls deserve the full experience of personal development, reached potential, and rights fulfilled, according to their own terms. Our approach reflects our unfailing commitment to gender justice and 70 years of experience in social change work.

## LIST OF CARE AND PARTNERS ATTENDEES

### CARE South Sudan

**Dorcac Acen**  
Gender (GBV) & Protection Coordinator

### CARE MENA Regional Team

**Khatuna Madurashvili**  
Senior Manager, Regional GBV programs, Georgia  
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### CARE Ethiopia

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### CARE Bangladesh

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Program Officer, Tipping Point  
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Project Manager, Tipping Point

### CARE Nepal

**Dipendra Sharma**  
Team Lead, LEAD Program  
**Minakshi Neupane**  
Project Manager, Siddhartha Samuyadayik Samaj (SSS) - Tipping Point partner organization

### CARE USA

**Gayatri Patel**  
Senior Policy Advocate, Co-Chair GNB USA  
**Nidal Karim**  
Project Director, Tipping Point

## CARE SESSIONS AND ATTENDEES

### JUNE 25

- 16:00-17:30** **Joining Forces to Gather Evidence (Data, Knowledge, Research) on Child Marriage in Humanitarian Settings in the Arab States.**  
Khatuna Madurashvili, CARE MENA Regional Team
- 16:00-17:30** **The Dynamics of Child, Early, and Forced Marriage in Humanitarian Settings: Findings from Gaza, Jordan and South Sudan**  
Dorcas Acen, CARE South Sudan
- 16:00-17:30** **Sustainable Change Through Our Own Self-reflection and Transformation**  
Suraiya Sultana, and Mohammad Rafiq Islam, CARE Bangladesh; Dipendra Sharma, CARE Nepal; Minakshi Neupane, SSS Tipping Point partner organization; and Nidal Karim, CARE USA
- 17:45-19:15** **A Force to Be Reckoned with: How a GNB National Partnerships are Taking Collective Action to End Child Marriage**  
Gayatri Patel, CARE USA
- 17:45-19:15** **Lessons from the Field: How Do Girls Mentoring Programs Address the Drivers and Consequences of Early Marriage?**  
Alem Agazi, CARE Ethiopia
- 17:45-19:15** **Creative, Participatory, Art-influenced, Girl-led Approaches to Ending Child Marriage**  
Suraiya Sultana, and Mohammad Rafiq Islam, CARE Bangladesh; Dipendra Sharma, CARE Nepal; Minakshi Neupane, SSS Tipping Point partner organization; and Nidal Karim, CARE USA

### JUNE 26

- 11:00-12:30** **Moving from Age to Agency: Re-Defining and Measuring Success**  
Suraiya Sultana, and Mohammad Rafiq Islam, CARE Bangladesh; Dipendra Sharma, CARE Nepal; Minakshi Neupane, SSS Tipping Point partner organization; and Nidal Karim, CARE USA
- 11:00-12:30** **Addressing Child Marriage at Scale – How CSOs Have Worked with Governments to Increase Reach and Sustainability.**  
Dorcas Acen, CARE South Sudan
- 16:00-17:30** **Targeting Social Norms: Moving from Theory to Practice**  
Alem Agazi, CARE Ethiopia

### JUNE 27

- 9:00-10:30** **What Does Gender Transformative Sexuality Programming Have to Do With Child, Early, and Forced Marriage?**  
Nidal Karim, CARE USA

#### CHECK OUT CARE'S CEFM CAPACITY STATEMENT

CARE believes that CEFM is both a cause and a symptom of gender inequality. We work to address the root causes of child marriage practices and to mitigate the negative impacts of CEFM on girls and their families and communities. Our vision is about more than delaying the age of marriage—we seek a world in which girls and women are able and prepared to choose if, when, and whom to marry, and if and when to leave a marriage.

For additional information, please check out [CARE's Global Experience on Child, Early and Forced Marriage \(QR link\)](#).

