

# FACTSHEET FAMILY PLANNING 2020 NEW AND RENEWED COMMITMENTS

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## COUNTRIES

NEW: AFGHANISTAN, LAO PDR, AND VIETNAM

RENEWED: GERMANY

## ORGANIZATIONS

NEW: MARGARET PYKE TRUST, WITH THE POPULATION & SUSTAINABILITY NETWORK, AND POPULATION SERVICES INTERNATIONAL (PSI)

RENEWED: INTRAHEALTH INTERNATIONAL

Four years ago the global family planning community gathered at the 2012 London Summit on Family Planning to spark a transformational movement. Now, this community—inspired by the vision of expanding access to voluntary family planning to 120 million more women and girls in the world's poorest countries by 2020—continues to strengthen its

commitment to action. New political, financial, and service delivery commitments add to our movement's ability to support the rights of women and girls to decide freely and for themselves whether and when to have children. FP2020 commitments stand in full support of the Global Strategy for Women's, Children's and Adolescents' Health.

# COUNTRIES: NEW

## AFGHANISTAN

The government of Afghanistan commits to increase access to reproductive services by 2020, ensure commodity security and increase method mix, with a focus on long-acting and reversible methods and postpartum family planning. Afghanistan pledges to allocate 25 percent of the health budget for reproductive health and to develop a national costed implementation plan. The government also commits to launching youth health lines in five major cities to provide counseling and information on family planning and reproductive health.

### THE GOVERNMENT'S OBJECTIVE IS TO:

- Reduce unmet need for family planning by 10 percent by 2020
- Increase the modern contraceptive prevalence rate to 30 percent by 2020

### POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS:

The government of Afghanistan—as outlined in the Global Strategy for Women's and Children's Health—commits to:

- Adhering to the agreements made in the Reproductive, Maternal and Newborn Health Strategy (2017-2020) and the Kabul Declaration for Maternal and Child Health (2015)
- Through collaboration with the Family Planning 2020 Country Coordination Committee, increasing access to reproductive health services by 2020
- Ensuring commodity security and increasing method mix in Afghanistan, with a focus on long-acting and reversible methods and postpartum family planning
- Finalizing and operationalizing the Ministry of Public Health's RHSC Strategic Action Plan
- Ensuring accountability through reviewing the performance—led by the Ministry of Public Health—of the reproductive, maternal, newborn, and child health program using RMNCH quarterly scorecards

### FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS:

The government of Afghanistan pledges to:

- Increasing the portion of the national budget dedicated to health and specifically the budget allotted to the reproductive, maternal, newborn, child and adolescent health program
- Advocating for increasing the government's allocation to health and nutrition services from 4.2 percent in 2012 to 10 percent by 2020
- Allocating 25 percent of the health budget specific to reproductive health
- Creating a specific budget line in the Ministry of Public Health's annual budget for the promotion of family planning and procurement of contraceptives

### PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITMENTS:

The government of Afghanistan commits to:

- Developing a family planning national costed implementation plan (2017-2020)
- Strengthening community-level family planning services through the training of community health workers
- Providing sufficient contraceptives stocks
- Expanding access to long-acting and reversible methods as well as training at least one male and one female health worker in each health facility in conducting family planning counseling and the appropriate administration of contraceptive methods
- Strengthening community mobilization and increasing advocacy about family planning among religious and community leaders, civil society, and youth
- Developing information, education, and communication and behavior change communication campaigns to address barriers to accessing family planning and reproductive health services
- Strengthening coordination, commitment, and collaboration between the public and private sector to improve reproductive health and family planning services, training, supplies, equipment, and commodities
- Launching a youth health line in five major cities to provide counseling and information to youth on reproductive health and family planning
- Including implants on the Ministry of Public Health's essential medicines

# COUNTRIES: NEW

## LAO PDR

The government of Lao PDR commits to expanding coverage and method mix for family planning services in health facilities with a focus on long-acting methods, such as implants and IUDs, revising the country's Reproductive Health Policy to promote an enabling environment for family planning, and designing services to support reproductive rights and to improve the sexual and reproductive health of men, women, and adolescents. The government pledges to scale up family planning services to health centre and village levels and to develop a national information, education, and communication campaign for family planning.

### THE GOVERNMENT'S OBJECTIVE IS TO:

- Increase CPR for modern methods from 42 percent to 65 percent by 2020
- Reduce unmet need for contraception (WRA; modern methods) to 13 percent by 2020 (from 20 percent in 2012)
- Expand coverage and method mix for family planning services in health facilities with a focus on long-acting methods, such as implants and IUDs

### POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS:

The government of Lao PDR commits to:

- Revising the Reproductive Health Policy to promote an enabling environment for family planning and to design services to support reproductive rights and to improve the sexual and reproductive health of men, women, and adolescents
- Focusing on fully implementing the Lao 8th Five Year Plan on reproductive health and the government, which envisions the full delivery of family planning services in the private sector, including IUD and implant services in private clinics, through the adoption of supportive policies under the revision of the Health Care Law
- Developing a national information, education, and communication (IEC) and behavior change communication (BCC) strategy on family planning—based on the national communication IEC/BCC for health strategy

### POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS:

The government of Lao PDR commits to:

- Scaling up family planning services to health center and village levels to increase access to reproductive health and information for adolescents, aiming to boost the number of women using family planning services
- Extending the training of existing community midwife students by a month to become proficient in family planning counselling and procedures (IUDs, implants, emergency contraceptive)
- Establishing separate private, family planning-friendly rooms in selected district hospitals
- Increasing the coverage of family planning and maternal, neonatal, and child health services at the community level through the scaling up of existing, successful community-based interventions, such as the Community-Based Distribution Programme
- Mapping and focusing on high-burden districts and villages, with total fertility rate greater than 3, unmet need greater than 15 percent or 20 percent, and CPR between 35 percent or 45 percent
- Conducting formative research to inform the development and adaptation and field-testing of IEC materials in local ethnic languages
- Piloting youth-friendly service counselling rooms—separate from the maternal, neonatal, and child health unit—and in selected district hospitals

# COUNTRIES: NEW

## VIETNAM

The government of Vietnam commits to developing reproductive and sexual health policies and strengthening intersectoral cooperation on youth's reproductive and sexual health; promoting youth participation in developing, implementing, and monitoring reproductive and sexual health services and interventions; and improving cooperation between public and private providers to increase youth-friendly services and contraceptive methods.

### THE GOVERNMENT'S OBJECTIVE IS TO:

- Ensure universal access to family planning
- Increase the mCPR for married women (ages 15-49) to 70 percent by 2020 from 67.5 percent in 2015

### POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS:

The government of Vietnam commits to:

- Making family planning and reproductive health services more accessible in regions that have a slowly declining maternal mortality rate
- Cooperating with telecommunication providers and high-tech media to proactively provide information to adolescents and unmarried youth and between public and private providers to offer youth-friendly services and contraceptive methods
- Developing reproductive and sexual health policies and strengthening intersectoral cooperation on youth reproductive and sexual health and promoting youth participation in developing, implementing, and monitoring reproductive and sexual health services and interventions
- Improving rights-based approaches in providing family planning services
- Developing national standards for a quality system of contraceptive methods in accordance with international standards
- Establishing policies to support the participation of private sector and nongovernmental organizations in providing contraceptives and family planning services
- Expanding and perfecting financial mechanisms for family planning services to ensure quality, competitive pricing, and method mix
- Strengthening the health system, improve linkages and integrating HIV into family planning and sexual and reproductive health policies, programs, and services at all levels
- Improving policies and interventions to ensure quality family planning and sexual and reproductive health services, as a result improving client satisfaction

### FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS:

The government of Vietnam pledges to:

- Ensuring an adequate budget for family planning services for the poor and marginalized, hard-to-reach, and ethnic minority groups
- Sufficiently funding the consolidation of the service provider network in alignment with technical decentralization requirements, with a special focus on the needs of marginalized and hard-to-reach people, ensuring provision of family planning and essential reproductive health services at all levels
- Providing funding to meet the needs of family planning and reproductive health programs and services and the implementation of government policies
- Improve the quality of services through the issuing of technical protocols and procedures, upgrading infrastructures, and providing equipment and training to update knowledge of service providers

### PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITMENTS:

The government of Vietnam commits to:

- Partnering with UNFPA to implement Project VNM8P02, which supports the Ministry of Health to effectively implement the National Strategy on Population and Reproductive Health (2011-2020). The project's total official development assistance (ODA) budget for the Ministry of Health for the period of 2011-2016 is USD \$7.3 million. The project supports implementing a comprehensive condom program; controlling condom quality; developing a population law and other legal documents on family planning; conducting surveys on the accessibility to family planning services; and administering surveys on barriers faced by ethnic minority populations in accessing family planning services (during the period of 2016-2020, UNFPA commits to continuing its support to Vietnam on family planning and sexual and reproductive health and other issues).
- Partnering with Marie Stopes International (MSI) to promote procurement of and access to long-term and permanent family planning methods for women living in difficult and prioritized areas in the country, including poor and near-poor women and minority women, basing services on the principle of a client's rights to informed choice and conforming to technical criteria as well as the Ministry of Health's requirements; in addition, the program will also support marketing capacity and procurement of contraceptives and diversifying choices of long-term contraceptives, including IUDs and implants.

# COUNTRIES: RENEWED

## GERMANY

The government of Germany in May 2016 renewed its original Family Planning 2020 commitment.

### FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS:

The government of Germany commits to:

- Providing a minimum of €514 million until 2019 to rights-based family planning and reproductive health

- Twenty-five percent of its bilateral funding is likely to be dedicated directly to family planning, depending on partner countries' priorities
  - Renewing support for the government's Rights-based Family Planning and Maternal Health Initiative, which includes the aim of providing information and access to modern forms of family planning to 9 million couples
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# ORGANIZATIONS: NEW

## MARGARET PYKE TRUST, WITH THE POPULATION & SUSTAINABILITY NETWORK

Building upon the organization's expertise in providing the UK's most up-to-date sexual and reproductive health training courses for medical professionals, the Margaret Pyke Trust, with the Population & Sustainability Network commits to expand its training activities to 300 doctors and nurses in FP2020 focus countries, with training tailored to meet local capacity needs, as a result impacting up to 9.5 million women and girls with an unmet need for family planning. In addition, the Population & Sustainability Network commits to implement three programs that integrate sexual and reproductive health and rights within broader international development programs and to advocate for the importance of universal access to comprehensive and voluntary family planning services and rights as a requirement to enable sustainable development.

### POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS:

The Margaret Pyke Trust, with the Population & Sustainability Network commits to:

- Advocating for the importance of universal access to comprehensive and voluntary family planning services and rights to those services, as a critical requirement to enable sustainable development
- Advocating for the imperative of including sexual and reproductive health and rights to achieve not only the health and gender equality Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), but also those focused on ending poverty and hunger, promoting education, ensuring access to clean water, and combatting climate change

- Conducting advocacy activities not only for health and gender organizations, policy makers, and funding partners, but also for other sectors, to help build a broader coalition of organizations working to ensure universal access to comprehensive and voluntary family planning services as essential rights in and of themselves and also critical to achieving the SDGs in their totality

### PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITMENTS:

The Margaret Pyke Trust, with the Population & Sustainability Network commits to:

- Providing training to more than 3,250 UK-based doctors and nurses between the beginning of 2016 and the end of 2019 and will expand its training activities to benefit at least 300 doctors and nurses in FP2020 focus countries, with training tailored to meet local capacity needs
- Offering training that aims to ensure that clinical service professionals provide high quality, comprehensive, rights-based voluntary family planning services based on the most up-to-date medical best practice; course topics will include changing methods, updates on both hormonal and non-hormonal methods (including long-acting and reversible contraceptives), safe abortion, emergency contraception, HIV/STIs, female genital mutilation, and other aspects of female reproductive health
- Designing and implementing at least three sexual and reproductive health and rights integrated programmes in FP2020 focus countries between autumn 2016 and 2019 (this pledge is dependent on the ability to secure the necessary financial support to implement the relevant programmes)

## POPULATION SERVICES INTERNATIONAL (PSI)

Population Services International--through its global network of country programs--commits to reaching 10 million people under the age of 25 with modern contraceptive methods by December 2020. PSI and its partners will collaborate with young people to reimagine and redefine the way sexual, reproductive health and rights (SRHR) programs are designed, delivered, measured, and evaluated. PSI's philosophy is that life is lived holistically and that SRHR can only be effectively addressed in the context of a hopeful vision of a bright future.

### PSI'S OBJECTIVE IS TO:

- Reach 10 million people under the age of 25 years old with modern contraceptive methods by December 2020.

### PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITMENTS:

PSI commits to:

- Testing--with partners--new and bold ways of collaborating with young people to reimagine and redefine the way SRHR programs are designed, delivered, measured, and evaluated in order to improve its collection of age-disaggregated data and share lessons learned
- Working toward ensuring all sexually active young people, regardless of marital status or parity, have access to the widest available range of contraceptive options, including long-acting reversible contraceptives, and that access to services is embraced and advocated for by young people, their health providers, their families, and their communities
- Identifying innovative entry points for adolescent and youth focused SRHR programs, new ways of packaging and delivering high quality services to adolescents and youth, and new models of sustainability that harness market forces

# ORGANIZATIONS: RENEWED

## INTRAEALTH INTERNATIONAL

IntraHealth International commits to reaching 315,000 health workers annually with education, skills building, and supervisory, management, and policy support by 2020. IntraHealth commits to applying its technical, programmatic, measurement, and advocacy resources and expertise to expanding equitable access to an increased number of frontline health workers delivering quality family planning services and products globally and in 20 FP2020 priority countries, including the nine countries in the Ouagadougou Partnership, Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, India, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Palestine, Tanzania, South Sudan, Uganda, and Zambia.

### PROGRAM AND SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITMENTS:

IntraHealth commits to:

- Applying its technical, programmatic, measurement, and advocacy resources and expertise to expanding equitable access to an increased number of frontline health workers
- Delivering quality family planning services and products globally and in 20 FP2020 priority countries, including by playing a leadership role in the nine Ouagadougou Partnership Francophone West African countries where IntraHealth serves as the Secretariat
- Sustaining and growing its family planning programs in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Ethiopia, India, Kenya, Liberia, Nigeria, Palestine, Tanzania, South Sudan, Uganda, and Zambia.
- Reaching 315,000 health workers annually by 2020 with education, skills building, and supervisory, management, and policy support
- Building on its programs and partnerships in both the private and public sectors to ensure that health workers at the front line are prepared to be catalysts of change
- Leveraging the use of new and proven digital health technologies to improve health worker performance, service quality, and health outcomes and to spur innovation in how health workers are trained, incentivized, and managed, primarily through deployment of a suite of open-source human resource information systems strengthening tools and approaches
- Advocating globally, nationally, and at decentralized levels for the critical policy reforms necessary to expand access to modern contraception. including for:
  - 1) Task-shifting, especially for long-acting family planning methods and Sayana Press
  - 2) The critical role of community health workers
  - 3) The importance of meeting the growing sexual and reproductive health needs of adolescents
  - 4) Augmenting male engagement
- Estimating human resource requirements needed to achieve targets outlined in country costed implementation plans, while focusing on gender dimensions of the workforce
- Providing technical assistance to governments and health systems to improve hiring, deployment, management, motivation, performance, and retention of health workers
- Collaborating with national and regional professional regulatory bodies to ensure that scopes of practice, training curricula, and quality assurance systems encompass the latest available evidence on family planning methods, services, and strategies