

MARGARET PYKE TRUST, WITH THE POPULATION & SUSTAINABILITY NETWORK FAMILY PLANNING 2020 COMMITMENT

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OVERVIEW

The Margaret Pyke Trust, with the Population & Sustainability Network—a UK-registered charity—works in the UK and internationally to promote sexual and reproductive health knowledge, rights, and services, benefitting all people, women and girls in particular, and to support sustainable development. Since its foundation in 1969, the Trust has been at the forefront of developments in sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) through excellence in academic research on sexual and reproductive health and contraception and training for qualified medical professionals.



The Trust's international program, the Population & Sustainability Network (PSN), is a network of 17 diverse organizations, from governmental bodies, like the UK Department for International Development to international NGOs, like the International Planned Parenthood Federation and Friends of the Earth, which all share the Trust's vision. PSN focuses on advocacy, promoting SRHR as part of sustainable development, calling for an increase in funding of SRHR projects and ensuring that SRHR are prioritized in international development policies. In addition to advocacy, the Trust also works directly with its PSN members, on the ground in the developing world, using its nearly 50 years of SRHR experience at the programmatic level to integrate SRHR in broader development programs.

POLITICAL & POLICY

The Trust commits to advocate 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. In the context of the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development, the Trust will advocate 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. The Trust commits its leadership and experience to undertake 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

Education and training: The Trust commits it will provide 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. The Trust's training will aim 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.

Integrated programs: The Trust commits to design and implement at least three sexual and reproductive health and rights integrated programmes in FP2020 focus countries between the autumn 2016 and 2019. This pledge is dependent on the Trust securing the necessary financial support to implement the relevant programmes.

Issue and policy advocacy: The Trust pledges to undertake advocacy activities for health and gender organizations, policy makers, and funding partners and also for other sectors including environmental and climate change audiences, to

help build a broader coalition of organizations working to ensure universal access to comprehensive and voluntary family planning services.