# 2016 FP2020 ANNUAL COMMITMENT UPDATE QUESTIONNAIRE RESPONSE



# **BLOOMBERG PHILANTHROPIES**

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In August 2016, Bloomberg Philanthropies shared the following update on progress in achieving its Family Planning 2020 commitment during the 2015-2016 time period (commitment included for reference below).

### **FINANCIAL UPDATES**

- During the 2015-2016 time period, Bloomberg Philanthropies continued to support maternal and reproductive health activities in Tanzania and focused efforts in the Kigoma region (see more in Program & Service Delivery Updates below).
- In addition, Bloomberg Philanthropies' have continued to provide support to Planned Parenthood Global in four countries—Nicaragua, Burkina Faso, Senegal, and Uganda. The countries vary in their policy goals, but each country effort seeks to expand access to reproductive health services, with a particular focus on youth.
- Finally, Bloomberg Philanthropies' has continued to provide support to the UN Foundation to administer the Rapid Response Mechanism. Funds have supported 21 grants in 17 countries since the launch in 2014, with the majority of those grants (19) being awarded between 2015 and 2016. These grants provide opportunities for local civil society organizations to address emerging, catalytic opportunities that will help FP2020 meet its goal of enabling 120 million more women and girls using contraceptives by 2020. Some grants have helped shape policies that expand reproductive health access, while some of the grants have responded to urgent needs after a humanitarian or health crisis (such as the earthquake in Nepal and the Ebola outbreak in Sierra Leone and Liberia). All 69 countries that are part of the FP2020 network are eligible to apply, which cover Latin America, Africa, and Asia.

#### **PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY UPDATES**

- The CDC is monitoring and evaluating Bloomberg Philanthropies' Tanzania program and, in 2014, conducted a
  Reproductive Health Survey (available <a href="here">here</a>) The CDC is conducting a follow-up Reproductive Health Survey in
  Kigoma, and Bloomberg Philanthropies will share the final report when it is available.
- Bloomberg Philanthropies' reports it is on track toward increasing the contraceptive prevalence rate (CPR) by 12
  percent in Kigoma by 2019. Activities focused on raising awareness on the benefits of and misconceptions
  surrounding contraceptive use through multi-platform communications campaigns; training providers; engaging
  community leaders and youth champions; and ensuring services are available across the region through outreach
  and dedicated service days.
- Bloomberg Philanthropies' implementing partners, Vital Strategies and EngenderHealth have upgraded four
  additional health facilities for delivering comprehensive emergency obstetric care, family planning, and postabortion care. They are also targeting 70 dispensaries for providing family planning and post-abortion care, of
  which 18 are targeted for support in skilled birth attendance. To generate demand for these services, Vital
  Strategies launched two hard-hitting mass media campaigns in Kigoma Region. They included radio spots, as
  well as billboards and other print material (learn more about the campaigns here and here).
- Additionally, both Vital Strategies and EngenderHealth have recruited over 100 community health workers to
  educate their communities on the importance of birth planning, recognizing complications during delivery, and to
  dispel myths around family planning.

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The following text is the commitment made by Bloomberg Philanthropies at the 2012 London Summit on Family Planning. To review the commitment online, please visit: www.familyplanning2020.org/bloomberg-philanthropies.

Bloomberg Philanthropies is committed to preventing maternal deaths and helping more women freely and safely make decisions about when to have children.

### FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

Bloomberg Philanthropies commits to contributing US \$50 million across the next eight years.

## **PROGRAM & SERVICE DELIVERY COMMITMENTS**

Bloomberg Philanthropies will continue to work to improve maternal and child health in some of the world's poorest regions. For example, in Tanzania, Bloomberg Philanthropies has improved access to emergency obstetric care and raised the standard of care for mothers and their children in some of the most isolated parts of the country. Bloomberg Philanthropies is committed to the importance of integrating family planning services with obstetric care.