# FP2020 Commitment 2019 Update Questionnaire ZIMBABWE



The FP2020 Secretariat surveys FP2020 commitment makers annually to track progress made, activities undertaken, and challenges faced toward fulfilling commitments. We kindly ask you to complete the FP2020 Commitment 2019 Update Questionnaire for Zimbabwe, by **5 July 2019**. Your responses support greater information and knowledge sharing, transparency, and accountability among the growing number of FP2020 commitment makers and the broader family planning community. As in previous years, we will share your responses on your country's dedicated country webpage (https://www.familyplanning2020.org/zimbabwe) so incountry and global stakeholders alike can follow Zimbabwe's progress in reaching the ambitious goals set on behalf of the women, girls, families, and communities in your country.

FP2020 commitments can be achieved with coordinated actions across multiple sectors and partners at various levels. We hope this will be an opportunity for you to engage with your country focal point team, including youth focal point, and family planning stakeholders in country to jointly review progress.

Please note that the self-reporting process complements the national family planning data consensus workshops that take place during the same time period. If the data consensus workshop for Zimbabwe is scheduled after **5 July 2019**, please let us know so we can discuss how to align the commitment reporting deadline to ensure results from each process are compatible.

Please complete the attached Word document and submit to Martyn Smith <a href="mailto:msmith@familyplanning2020.org">msmith@familyplanning2020.org</a> and Krista Newhouse <a href="mailto:knewhouse@familyplanning2020.org">knewhouse@familyplanning2020.org</a> with a copy to Onyinye Edeh <a href="mailto:oedeh@familyplanning2020.org">oedeh@familyplanning2020.org</a>. Should you have any questions or concerns, please contact Onyinye on oedeh@familyplanning2020.org.

Additionally, the Core Conveners of FP2020 are currently gathering input to build a shared vision for family planning post-2020. We look forward to learning from your response and appreciate your partnership in delivering on the promise that is FP2020.

Thank you for your time and effort to fill out this questionnaire and provide useful information for the broader partnership.

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The questionnaire includes 1) the 2017 revitalized commitment and elements of Zimbabwe's original commitment that still stand, and 2) seven standard questions to all FP2020 commitment-making countries.

As you provide your updates below on each element of your commitment, kindly focus on:

- Progress made and key challenges or barriers you faced, during the July 2018 -June 2019 period.
- Please also include information on any key upcoming commitment-related milestones.
- Lastly, we invite you to reflect on progress per commitment through a selfassessment.

## **SECTION I: QUESTIONNAIRE FOR COMMITMENT UPDATE**

#### **COMMITMENT OVERVIEW**

The government of Zimbabwe is committed to ensuring improved availability and access to quality integrated family planning services for all women irrespective of age, marital or socioeconomic status and/or geography by the year 2020. We will also specially seek to improve access and uptake of voluntary contraceptive services among adolescent girls reducing their unmet need for modern methods of family planning from 12.6% to 8.5% by 2020. The government of Zimbabwe will harness all available resources to expand contraceptive choice by promoting a comprehensive package, with 30% of married women using long acting reversible contraceptives by 2020. We will strive to strengthen the supply chain management system for FP commodities to maintaining stock outs at below 5% at all health facilities. We will mobilize additional domestic resources through innovate means, including private sector finances to deliver these ambitious commitments.

#### **Anticipated Impact**

- 1. 68% of married women will be using modern methods of family planning by 2020.
- 2. Unmet need for modern methods of family planning will be reduced from 12% to 6.5% by 2020.

- COMMITMENT: Improved availability and access to quality integrated family planning and contraceptive services with the aim of reaching all women irrespective of their age, marital or socioeconomic status and/or geography by the year 2020.
  - a) Please provide an update below on achievements made in July 2018 June 2019 in support of these elements of your commitment, including any key upcoming commitment-related milestones:
    - Zimbabwe has managed to conduct training for 400 service providers in insertion and removal of IUCD and implants to ensure that a comprehensive package of family planning is provided. Additionally the country has rolled out PPFP program through PPIUCD in selected facilities. This has seen the country having trained and certified trainers for PPIUCD in the country conducting facility assessments in three provinces.
    - Family planning guidelines were developed and disseminated to the service providers.
    - IEC materials developed and shared behavior change facilitators
    - Plans are at an advanced stage to introduce DMPA subcutaneous. The country has registered the product, formed a taskforce, identified areas were the initial roll out be carried out.
    - Mapping of family planning outreach was completed and outreach guidelines developed for the country.

#### **Check Points:**

#### Anticipated Impact.

- 1. Increase modern contraceptive prevalence rate (mCPR) from 67% to 68% by 2020 and sustain it
- 2. Reduce unmet need for modern methods of family planning from 12% to 6.5% by 2020.

#### **Proposed Actions**:

- 1. Capacity building of service providers through training and working with behaviour change facilitators from various implementing partners
- 2. Provision of accessible and affordable family planning services to all women.
- 3. Behaviour change facilitators at community level will be empowered to fully conduct demand generation activities in marginalized areas.
- 4. Mapping and microplanning of outreach sites
- 5. Delivering integrated FP services at outreach sites

b) Please mark X below how you assess progress toward elements of your commitment:

Achieved OR On-Track (X) / In-Progress OR Off-Track ()

c) If you marked "In-Progress" OR "Off-Track" in the above question, what are the key challenges or barriers you face in achieving these elements of your commitment?

- 2. **COMMITMENT**: Improving access and uptake of voluntary contraceptive services among adolescent girls and reduce their unmet need for FP from 12.6% to 8.5% by 2020.
  - a) Please provide an update below on achievements made in July 2018 June 2019 in support of these elements of your commitment, including any key upcoming commitment-related milestones:
    - Certification of health facilities in the provision of YFSP according to WHO 9 standards was completed in all provinces in the country.
    - Service providers in most of the health facilities undergone OJT in YFSP for all 9 standards.
    - Service providers in the tertiary institutions were trained to provide comprehensive package of family planning specifically for LARCs.
    - Partnerships with organizations working with adolescents were initiated and they have been incorporated in the CSO platform as well as in the Family Planning forum.

#### **Check Points:**

#### Anticipated Impact:

- 1. Reduce unmet need for family planning for married adolescent girls from 12.6% to 8.5%.
- 2. mCPR for ALL adolescent girls and young women increases from 12% to 15% by 2020

#### **Proposed Actions**:

- 1. Developing the youth friendly health services delivery package
- 2. Capacity building of providers on YFHS package
- 3. Integration of YFHS in SRHR service delivery
- 4. Strengthening identified tertiary level educational institutes in the provision of integrated services to young people
- 5. Strengthening delivery of existing services and developing new SRHR models for young people in different settings
- 6. Implementing the newly developed school health policy.
- 7. Provision of CSE in both in-and out-of-school contexts
- 8. Building partnerships with organisations offering integrated SRHR to young people in different settings

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- COMMITMENT: Expanding contraceptive choice by promoting comprehensive package of contraceptive services, with 30% of married women using long acting reversible contraceptives by 2020.
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#### **Check Points:**

#### Anticipated Impact:

- 1. Increase method mix for implants for married women from 15% to 25% by 2020
- 2. Increase method mix for IUCDs for married women from under 1% to 5% by 2020

#### **Proposed Actions**:

- 1. Training and sustaining the capacity of service providers on comprehensive FP and contraceptive services.
- 2. Demand generation activities through community health cadres and mass media
- 3. Comprehensive counselling services
- 4. Provision of a comprehensive package of family planning that is accessible and affordable to all.

b) Please mark (V) below how you assess progress toward elements of your commitment:

Achieved OR On-Track (X) / In-Progress OR Off-Track () c) If you marked "In-Progress" OR "Off-Track" in the above question, what are the key challenges or barriers you face in achieving these elements of your commitment?

- 4. **COMMITMENT**: Strengthening supply chain management system for FP commodities as part of the national integrated Medical Procurement and Supply Management System and maintaining stock outs at below 5%.
  - a) Please provide an update below on achievements made in July 2018 June 2019 in support of these elements of your commitment, including any key upcoming commitment-related milestones:
    - ZAPS has been rolled out to all provinces. Training and in the management information system has been completed.

#### **Check Points:**

#### Anticipated Impact:

Maintain the FP stock out rates to under 5% at service delivery points

#### **Proposed Actions**:

- 1. Strengthening national integrated and harmonised procurement and supply management system (PSM)
- 2. Roll-out of the new Zimbabwe assisted pull system throughout the country
- 3. Developing and implementing the national logistic management information system in the country
- 4. Building national monitoring system for the new PSM system
- 5. Mobilising internal and external resources to sustain the new PSM system
- b) Please mark X below how you assess progress toward elements of your commitment:

Achieved OR On-Track (X) / In-Progress OR Off-Track ( )

- c) If you marked "In-Progress" OR "Off-Track" in the above question, what are the key challenges or barriers you face in achieving these elements of your commitment?
  - However there are some challenges being faced in the procurement of contraceptives as there are reported cases of stock outs in some provinces

- COMMITMENT: An innovative financing approach to mobilise domestic resources for contraceptives, including engagement with the private sector developed, piloted, and adopted at national level by 2020.
  - 5.1. strengthen public-private partnerships, including civil society organizations in the provision of community-based and outreach services and
  - 5.2. promote innovative service delivery models to improve access and utilization of FP services for women and girls, particularly from the poorest wealth quintiles.
  - a) Please provide an update below on achievements made in July 2018 June 2019 in support of these elements of your commitment, including any key upcoming commitment-related milestones:
    - Engagement meetings were done with the Members of parliament advocating for increased budgetary allocation for the family planning program.
    - Completed the restructuring of ZNFPC as a way of cost saving and increase resources for the procurement of contraceptives.
    - Key meetings were conducted with the Ministry of Finance and the National AIDS council to discuss on the possibility of using AIDS Levy for the procurement of contraceptive including condoms.

#### **Check Points:**

#### Anticipated Impact:

An innovative model for mobilizing and allocating domestic resources for FP commodities developed, piloted, and adopted at national level

#### **Proposed Actions:**

- 1. Lobbying / advocating with key ministries and decision makers, including parliamentarians for allocating domestic budget for FP commodities.
- 2. Sourcing part of the domestic savings from ongoing FP structural reforms to procuring and distributing FP commodities.
- 3. Engagement with the existing and new health insurance agencies
- 4. Advocacy and engagement with key decision makers of the national HIV levy Fund
- b) Please mark X below how you assess progress toward elements of your commitment:

Achieved OR On-Track ( ) / In-Progress OR Off-Track ( X )

- b) If you marked "In-Progress" OR "Off-Track" in the above question, what are the key challenges or barriers you face in achieving these elements of your commitment?
- Macro-economic challenges being faced by the country has negative implications on the programs effort to raise domestic resources for contraceptive services. Members of parliament and key decision makers agreed to support the program, however resources are not readily available for release.

### **SECTION II: STANDARD QUESTIONNAIRE**

Please respond to all parts of the following seven questions:

- 1. How has your country integrated adolescents and youth representatives, and/or representatives from marginalized groups (e.g. lowest-income, people with disabilities, out of school, minority groups, remote or displaced populations, etc.) into the FP2020 Focal Point team and/or country's FP technical working group or country engagement working group?
- The country has a young person on the ZNFPC board.
- At facility level, two adolescents forms the part of the Community ASRH Committee.
- Adolescents are well represented in the CSO forum which is being coordinated by the FP2020 focal points.
- IEC materials in braille were developed and shared in all provinces to ensure that adolescents with disabilities are provided with relevant information to make informed decisions.
  - a. If yes, how has this engagement influenced achieving your FP2020 commitment? Please also share successes and/or lessons learned from these engagements.
- This has seen the decrease in unmet need in the country, the latest figures from our Consensus building workshop stands at 8%.
- From service statistic data, there is an increase in the uptake of LARCs for the age group 24 and below.
  - b. If not, what challenges have you faced in working with these groups? (Please give examples)

2. How is your Government integrating family planning into universal health coverage (UHC)-oriented schemes and what is/are the mechanism(s) being used or considered? What specific actions were taken in the past year surrounding integration?

Under UHC commitments Zimbabwe is establishing health posts, which are lower level health facilities. In these posts we will ensure that FP commodities are readily available

We have also strengthened our FP outreach program to those not readily accessible places either geographically or through some other socio economic cultural issue

- 3. Has your Government organized the 2019 data consensus workshop? Yes , the workshop conducted
  - a. If yes, did the FP2020 Focal Points participate in your country's 2019 data consensus workshop? If so, what insights were gained?

Yes. Focal point persons participated in the workshop. Issues were raised in improving the quality of service statistics and reported cases of stock outs of contraceptives in some facilities. Everyone was happy with the country progress as the goal was reached, however more effort is required to maintain the gains made by the country.

- b. Were domestic expenditure data reviewed as part of the data consensus meeting? If so, please share insights and challenges you had in reviewing and validating these data.
- Data on domestic expenditure was discussed from the NIDI survey, however no consensus
  was generated. A further analysis of the data was recommended as the data did not
  disaggregate government domestic expenditure from the total expenditure for the country.
- 4. In the past year, were any efforts made to improve resilience and/or emergency preparedness of family planning systems in country?

Yes, an emergency response team was very active in providing the services and coordinate activities for the victims of Cyclone Idai

5. Has your country allocated GFF resources to your FP program? If so, how has this benefitted your work?

No

- 6. Have you worked to improve quality of care/rights based family planning in your programs?
  - a. Do your family planning programs provide a broad range of contraceptive methods (long-term, permanent, or short acting)? Do you provide comprehensive information and counseling on all available methods, including information on any risks or side effects?
    - Yes a comprehensive package is being provided with at least three modern methods available at primary health facilities and at least five methods available at secondary and tertiary health facilities
  - b. To ensure a user-centered approach, do clients get a chance to provide feedback after clinic visits either through questionnaires, surveys, or suggestion boxes?

Yes a feedback mechanism is in place from health facilities have suggestion boxes, however there is need to improve on the client exit interviews

c. Are your clinics open to improve accessibility and availability of services?

Yes

7. FP2020 and partners are currently gathering input to build a shared vision for family planning post-2020, in consultation with stakeholders at the country and global level. Have you had an opportunity to participate in any way in this consultation process (e.g. online survey, consultative calls, etc.)?

Not as yet

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