



UNFPA's Consultation on Ending Unmet Need for Family Planning

ANTALYA, TURKEY | 17 - 20 JUNE 2019

VIDEO OF THE DAY



Dereje Wordofa, UNFPA's Deputy Executive Director Programme, Welcomes Participants to the Family Planning Consultation



UNFPA Embarks on Consultative Process to End Unmet Need for Family Planning

UNFPA, the United Nations Population Fund, led by the Technical Division together with the Regional Office for Eastern Europe and Central Asia, has launched a consultative process to accelerate efforts to end unmet need for family planning by 2030. This consultation is part of a broader series of discussions UNFPA intends to have with key stakeholder groups between now and the Nairobi Summit on ICPD25 in November. The consultation process provides space for UNFPA and its partners to have candid conversations and find solutions to address the realities facing the family planning community. This consultation brings together colleagues from across UNFPA offices, alongside key thought-partners from the sexual and

reproductive health and rights community, to identify actions that will have high impact towards ending unmet need for family planning across different programme country contexts, and to plan and agree on interventions that can be accelerated uniquely by UNFPA at global, regional, and country levels. This newsletter aims to provide you daily select highlights from the consultation.

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Attendees at UNFPA's Family Planning Knowledge Expo





Esther Moraes, The YP Foundation

Urgently Delivering on the Promise of Cairo

Keynote speakers Mari Simonen, Former Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director of UNFPA, along with Esther Moraes, Manager at the YP Foundation in India, inspired participants with their meaningful thoughts, reflections and commitment to finishing the unfinished business of Cairo. Both speakers reminded attendees of the urgency to accelerate progress, remain inclusive, engage a wide range of partners and actively involve young people, especially young women, as part of the

process. They noted the progress made to date and the considerable work ahead, against the backdrop of a rapidly changing environment. They also emphasized the power of harnessing Cairo's legacy, while breaking through previous ways of thinking and ending old silos. They invited participants to embrace a new generation of leaders and thinkers and to reconsider conventional wisdom in order to accelerate efforts to end unmet need for family planning. [Speaker bios are available here.](#)

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

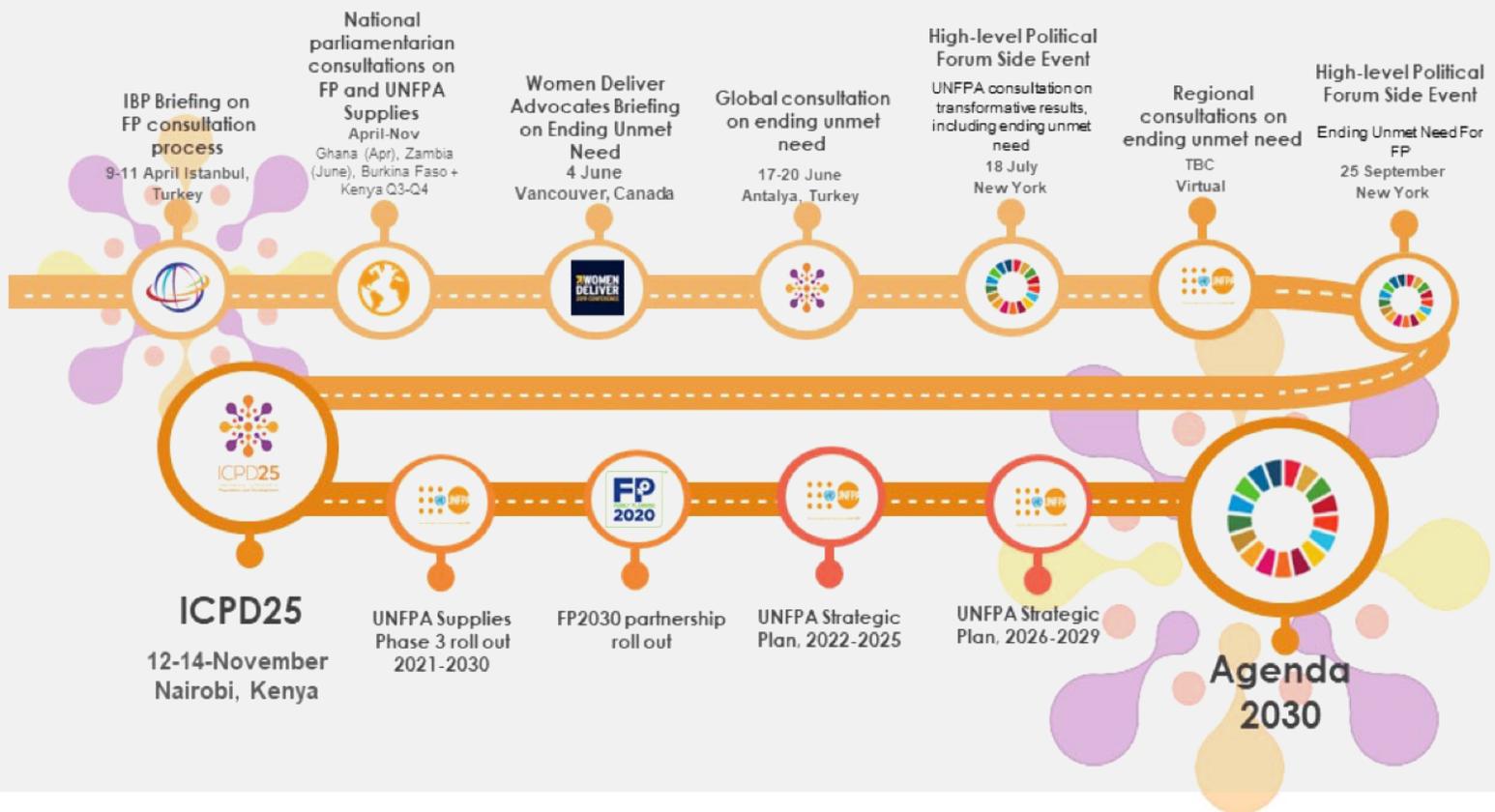
“Young people, especially young women, continue to be seen as a demographic to be ‘managed’ — we are spoken for in policy, and spoken about in research but have limited opportunities to speak for ourselves.”

—ESTHER MORAES, KEYNOTE SPEAKER, THE YP FOUNDATION



Dr. Mari Simonen, former Assistant Secretary-General and Deputy Executive Director, UNFPA

Consultation Process along the Road to Nairobi & Beyond to Develop a Strategic Pathway to Ending Unmet Need for Family Planning



Transforming Our Approach for Ending Unmet Need for Family Planning

In a plenary moderated by Gifty Addico, Chief, Commodity Security Branch at UNFPA, Lester Coutinho, Deputy Director Family Planning, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, Greg Davidson, Supply Chain Technical Officer, Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition and Emily Sonneveldt, Director for the Center of M&E and Advocacy, Avenir Health, discussed the conceptual framework for various strategic processes underway to transform the way we work in the family planning community, and addressed the challenges and opportunities to accelerate progress in the post 2020 environment. Their presentations are available [here](#).

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

“By continuing to sow the seeds of sustainable family planning programmes, grounded in sound data and evidence, we have a once-in-a-generation opportunity to realize universal health coverage, harness the demographic dividend, and unleash vast economic growth.”

—MARI SIMONEN, KEYNOTE SPEAKER,
FORMER ASG & DEPUTY EXECUTIVE
DIRECTOR, UNFPA



From left to right:
Moderator, Gifty Addico (UNFPA),
Emily Sonneveldt (Avenir Health),
Greg Davidson (RHSC) and
Lester Coutinho (Bill & Melinda
Gates Foundation)



Family Planning Knowledge Expo Leaders

Good Practices in Family Planning Featured at UNFPA Knowledge Expo

Participants were welcomed at a reception on the evening of 17 June, which also included a Knowledge Expo. The expo featured 19 case studies from around the world, showcasing good practices and lessons learned from UNFPA family planning programs. Presenters were on hand to explain their work, and participants were encouraged to “invest” in programs they believed demonstrated potential for strongest impact. The programs

that received the most investment dollars were: **Best practices in introducing a new long-acting reversible contraceptive method** (Morocco), **Virtual Contraceptive consultation: An innovative online multilingual learning platform for evidence-based and rights-based family planning** (EECARO), and the **Barcode Track and Trace Technology for Family Planning** (Philippines). [Read all the case studies here.](#)



Mauricio Saavedra, Results Adviser, Policy & Strategy Division, UNFPA

Accelerating Progress and Change through the Strategic Use of Data

Participants explored data trends across thematic areas to help inform the prioritization of actions toward ending unmet need. An Atlas of Opportunities was developed for each country to provide the most recent information about priority themes and to help guide in-country discussions and data-driven decisions regarding investments and strategies to end unmet need. The data review was critical in highlighting inequities that exist across regions, and within countries, and helped shine a spotlight on where the largest disparities. Attendees reviewed changes in regional contraceptive prevalence rates and noted that among UNFPA Countries — almost 1/3 are projected to fall into the

two highest unmet need categories by 2030 — with more than 20% of married women experiencing an unmet need for family planning. These countries will require: significant effort to contribute to the goal of eliminating unmet need. In addition, participants noted that ending unmet need will require a laser focus on opportunities so that limited resources are used efficiently, the reduction or elimination of inequities, synergies with national priorities and bringing together data with country-level expertise.

[The Atlas of Opportunities is available here.](#) [Presentations from the session are available here.](#)

FAST FACTS

» **25 YEARS AGO** 15% of married women in the least-developed countries used a modern contraceptive. **TODAY** 37% do.

» **25 YEARS AGO** a woman in these same countries had six children. **TODAY** she has fewer than four.

» In the world's poorest countries contraception use **ROSE BY 46 MILLION** between 2010 - 2018.

INFOGRAPHIC OF THE DAY



A number of complex but very important factors influence and ultimately define the enabling environment for family planning.

UNFPA TECHNICAL BRIEF ON ENABLING ENVIRONMENTS FOR FAMILY PLANNING

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TOP TWEETS

@UNFPA's Ragaa Said talks about #ICPD25 and stresses importance of delivering concrete outcomes from the #FPConsultation to feed in to the strategic pathway toward the #NairobiSummit

How might we do things differently and #innovate to end unmet need for family planning? That's where the rubber hits the road! #FPConsultation #ICPD25

We want to continue to create the future for achieving zero unmet need for #familyplanning," @benoitkalasa of @UNFPA notes during opening session of #FPConsultation in Antalya.#ICPD25 #GlobalGoals

Participants at the #FPConsultation in passionate discussions on the urgency to end unmet need for #familyplanning and interventions best suited to meet this challenge! #ICPD25 #GlobalGoals

Looking for a fun way to discuss contraceptive choices? Check out @EPF_SRR valentines chocolates! How many methods can you name? Rights and choices for all #FPConsultation #ICPD25 #GlobalGoals

The time is now! Access to contraceptives & quality family planning knowledge & services is a human right, but so many are being left behind. @UNFPA & partners are spending this week developing a strategic pathway to end the unmet need for family planning by 2030. #FPConsultation

TECHNICAL BRIEFS

Enabling Environments for Human Rights-based Family Planning: an Integral Part of Sexual and Reproductive Health and Rights »

Demand for Family Planning aligned to the Individual's Reproductive Health Intentions »

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Quality Rights-based Services: what does it actually mean?

Rights-based approaches took centre-stage at the family planning consultation today, in a plenary led by Karen Hardee, Senior Fellow, What Works Association. Panellists discussed rights as foundational to the ICPD Programme of Action, yet noted nearly a third of lower-and-middle-income countries still have a skewed method mix, with one predominant method in use. The 8 human rights principles of family planning were discussed, with

acknowledgment that further work needed to be done in this area. Participants also heard Morocco's perspective on increasing access, and learned of innovations through Senegal's efforts in reaching nomadic populations. [Virtual Contraceptive Consultation](#), an online learning platform for evidence-based and rights-based family planning was also introduced. [View presentations from the session here.](#)



From left to right: Mihai Horga, Eastern European Institute of Reproductive Health, Mareme Dia Ndiaye, Ministry of Health, Senegal, Karen Hardee, What Works Association, Michele Usuelli, Regional Counsellor, Regione Lombardia, Blami Dao, Jhpiego, and Mieke Yabuta, UNFPA

Allowing young people to avoid pregnancy with safe and effective contraceptive methods will result in a lifetime of returns, protecting their ability to build a better future for themselves, their families and their communities.

UNFPA TECHNICAL BRIEF ON ADOLESCENT AND YOUTH CONTRACEPTIVE USE / JUNE 2019

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Addressing Young People's Need for Contraception

A dynamic plenary of youth champions shared their views on being responsive to young people by ensuring quality of care and an integrated approach to reaching them. The discussions also involved the need to expand the method mix for adolescents and youth to include the full range of options, noting that young people may have initial needs for contraception that aren't necessarily related to sexual

activity. Panellists reviewed evidence-based approaches in Uruguay and Uganda, and also pointed out the need to use inclusive language which resonates with young people. Discussions around emerging issues and neglected areas highlighted opportunities in HIV/STI integration with family planning and post-partum and post-abortion care. [Presentations can be viewed here.](#)



Mandira Paul, Technical Analyst, Sexual & Reproductive Health branch, Technical Division, UNFPA



Valeria Ramos, National SRH Officer, UNFPA Uruguay



Edson Muhwezi, Assistant Representative, UNFPA Uganda and Isabel Perez Witzke, Member, Youth Coalition for SRHR

VIDEOS OF THE DAY

PARTICIPANTS AT THE CONSULTATION SHARE THOUGHTS

on their vision for the next decade in family planning and accelerator actions required to end unmet need.



Blami Dao, Technical Director, West and Central Africa, Jhpiego



Mareme Ndiaye Mady, Chef, Division Planification Familiale, Senegal



Lis Lombeya Lisomba, Director PNSR, Democratic Republic of Congo



Naziha Ahmadi, Director of Family Planning, Afghanistan

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

“We need to understand that anti-sexual reproductive rights groups oppose the whole ICPD agenda, including family planning. Avoiding so-called ‘controversial issues’ is doing their work for them. We need to be more bold and assertive in upholding our principles and advancing our ICPD objectives.”

— NEIL DATTA, SECRETARY OF THE EUROPEAN PARLIAMENTARY FORUM ON SEXUAL AND REPRODUCTIVE RIGHTS

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Cabo Verde	Kyrgyz Republic	Senegal
China	Moldova	Tajikistan
Democratic Republic of Congo	Morocco	Turkey
Egypt	Mozambique	Uruguay
Ethiopia	Nicaragua	Uganda



Ahmadou Ndiaye, Technical Analyst, UNFPA Gender HR & Culture Branch, Ian McFarlane, Deputy Regional Director, EECARO, UNFPA, and Lis Lombeya Lisomba, Director PNSR, Democratic Republic of Congo, collaborating to operationalize actions to end unmet need.

Among women aged 15-19 in low- and middle-income countries, 20 million adolescent women have an unmet need for modern contraception.

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ONE-ON-ONE WITH ESTHER MORAES FROM THE YP FOUNDATION

The communications team sat down with Esther to discuss how she got involved in the SRHR sector and learn about her aspirations for the future. Here is a snippet of their conversation:

How did you get involved in this field?

I grew up around a lot of information around SRHR, which is surprising actually because most people don't grow up around such information.

What set you apart?

I have an aunt who works in the development sector and she had a friend who work in Tarshi, an organization that produces sexual and reproductive health materials. I beta-tested a lot of their stuff. I had more information than other people

around me in general. My friends would ask me: "if I hug a boy, will I get pregnant? And I knew I could laugh at that and say, 'no you won't'.

Thinking about this family planning consultation and the road to Nairobi... what you would like to see happen next?

One thing that came up today was language. I would like to see a shift in language that is more reflective of sexual and reproductive health and rights, instead of being focused on family planning- we need to speak the language that appeals to the largest population. And we need to be best positioned to speak to young people to allow us to get to our goals.



Esther Moraes, Manager, The YP Foundation

FAST FACTS

» **APPROXIMATELY 50%** of pregnancies in adolescents aged 15-19 in developing regions are unintended, and of these **50% END IN ABORTIONS**, most of which are unsafe

» **ADOLESCENTS** aged 15-19 is the only age group in which **NEW HIV INFECTIONS** are increasing globally.

» **IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA** adolescent girls and young women aged 15-24 continued to account for **1 IN 4 HIV INFECTIONS** in 2017.

INFOGRAPHIC OF THE DAY

8 HUMAN RIGHTS PRINCIPLES OF FAMILY PLANNING

1 AVAILABILITY, INCLUDING PRIVACY AND CONFIDENTIALITY

2 ACCESSIBILITY

3 ACCEPTABILITY

4 QUALITY

5 NON-DISCRIMINATION

6 INFORMED DECISION-MAKING

7 PARTICIPATION

8 ACCOUNTABILITY

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TOP TWEETS

Emily Sonneveldt speaks on how the tool for Country Categorisation was done at Global Consultation to End Unmet Need for Family Planning at Antalya @benoitkalasa @AddicoG @UNFPAasia @UNFPAPacific @Atayeshe #ICPD25 #FPConsultation

@UNFPAasia Deputy Regional Director Dr. Annette Sachs Robertson moderating a #FPConsultation session on Enabling Environments for Human Rights-Based #FamilyPlanning as an Integral Part of #SRHR, in #Antalya #Turkey. #ICPD25 #UNFPA50 #ChoiceNotChance

"Often, women don't have a say when it comes to family planning & their own repro health. It's a basic human right, it's a woman's right, it's a girls right." -#FPConsultation participant during session on enabling environments for Human Rights-based FP

Mari Simonen, Family Planning Champion speaks at Global Consultation to End Unmet Need for FP in Antalya, Turkey about reflection of ICPD conference in Egypt 25 years ago #ICPD #FPConsultation @Atayeshe @UNFPAPacific @AddicoG @benoitkalasa

@unfpa_eval is participating in a session on creating demand for #familyplanning at #FPConsultation in #Antalya, Turkey. Read the Mid-Term Evaluation of @UNFPA_Supplies for more information on demand generation. #SuppliesEval: <http://bit.ly/2FAkNGZ> #ICPD25 #GlobalGoals

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ACTIONS FROM ANTALYA

The Consultation to End Unmet Need for Family Planning concluded with participants deliberating and synthesizing their inputs on the strategic pathway toward Nairobi and beyond. Twenty-four recommended actions for ICPD25 were developed to accelerate efforts to end unmet need. One overarching recommendation was formulated (see below). The detailed recommendations will be shared in a forthcoming outcome document. [View the recommendations here.](#)

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The Overarching Recommendation for ICPD25 From the Consultation to End Unmet Need for Family Planning

Working together—across sectors—to expand rights, agency and contraceptive options for everyone everywhere to ensure that women and girls can prosper as equal partners in sustainable development.

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Beth Schlachter, Executive Director, Family Planning 2020

The Road Ahead

Closing remarks were delivered by Joannie Bewa, United Nations Young Leader for the Sustainable Development Goals and Beth Schlachter, Executive Director, Family Planning 2020. Both speakers appreciated the spirit of collaboration within the room and the enormity of the expertise on hand. They stressed the inclusion of young people in the process and requested stronger commitments for this key group.



Joannie Marlene Bewa, United Nations Young Leader for the Sustainable Development Goals

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

“This is a long-term game and UNFPA has the unique opportunity and responsibility of holding this mandate. I encourage you to think further down the field on how you strategize with partners to move things forward. Together with your partnership, we will build an agenda to get us to 2030 because we know we aren’t done.”

— BETH SCHLACHTER, EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR, FAMILY PLANNING 2020

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Democratic Republic of Congo	Morocco	Turkey
Egypt	Mozambique	Uruguay
Ethiopia	Nicaragua	Uganda

The situation of adolescent girls in humanitarian settings is alarming; they are forgotten and their voices are not heard, and their status as refugees increases their vulnerability.

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Family Planning in Humanitarian and Fragile Contexts

On the eve of World Refugee Day, leaders working in humanitarian and fragile areas discussed key issues around the provision of family planning in these contexts. Participants learned from experiences in Mozambique, where the recent cyclones devastated the country and affected nearly 1.9 million people. Discussions centred on the need to engage stakeholders early,

secure the supply chain and include sexual and reproductive health under emergency response plans. Panellists noted that family planning, especially in humanitarian contexts in not merely contraception — it represents choice and autonomy for a prosperous future. [View presentations](#) from the session and [download the technical brief](#).



Henia Dakkak, Officer-in-Charge, Humanitarian Office, UNFPA



Aida Mahumana Govo, Representative, Mozambique National Directorate of Public Health, Justine Coulson, Deputy Director, UNFPA East and Southern African Region, Karl Kulesa, Representative, UNFPA Turkey, and Sarah Rich, Senior SRH Advisor, Women's Refugee Commission

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

“The effects of conflict and climate change severely affect countries with high levels of unmet need for family planning. Addressing the needs of affected populations will add health and economic benefits, reduce communities’ vulnerability, build resiliency, and achieve the humanitarian development nexus — it is a win-win strategy.”

— HENIA DAKKAK, OFFICER-IN-CHARGE, HUMANITARIAN OFFICE, UNFPA

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on their vision for the next decade in family planning and accelerator actions required to end unmet need.



Marie Ba, Interim Director, Ouagadougou Partnership



Suren Navchaa, Deputy Representative, UNFPA China



Michele Usuelli, Neonatal Doctor and Member of Parliament, Regione Lombardia, Italy



Munira Gainera, Director of National Reproductive Health Center under Ministry of Health Tajikistan

QUOTABLE QUOTE:

“Despite all the progress made in reproductive health and family planning, the current picture in front of us is not a brilliant one. It tells us to do more, especially where new innovative approaches are needed. We must rise to this challenge.”

— **AYSE AKIN, DIRECTOR OF FP RESEARCH AND IMPLEMENTATION CENTER, BASKENT UNIVERSITY, TURKEY**

CASE STUDIES

These case studies, gathered from across UNFPA's programmes, demonstrate good practices in expanding access to family planning.

Partnerships with Community and Religious Leaders for the Promotion of Family Planning

Using Economic Evidence for Family Planning Advocacy

Financing Sexual and Reproductive Health Supplies

Special Unit for Contraceptives Promotion

Economic Analyses in Support of Policy Decisions for Contraceptive Security in the Eastern Europe & Central Asia Region

Sexual and Reproductive Health Omission Costs Study

Improved Availability of Good Quality, Human Rights-Based Family Planning Services (Eswatini)

Advocacy and Outreach Process Prior to Approval of the Universal and Equitable Access to Family Planning Services Law (Guatemala)

Cost Effectiveness and Cost Benefit Analysis of Family Planning in Kenya

Best Practices in Introducing a New Long-Acting Reversible Contraceptive Method

Integration of Logistics System for Medical Commodities (Nicaragua)

Philippines Barcode Track and Trace

The Use of Lot Quality Assurance Sampling (LQAS) Method to Determine Contraceptive Use (Philippines)

Prepositioning and Preparedness: Emergency Reproductive Health Supplies Save and Improve Lives (South Sudan)

Mobilizing Resources and Triangular Partnerships to Foster State-Ownership for People-Centered Family Planning in Tajikistan

An “Innovative Health Insurance Plan” to Reach Students in Higher Learning Institutions with SRH Services through Social Marketing in Tanzania

Ensuring Universal Access to and Coverage of Contraceptive Methods in Uruguay

Virtual Contraceptive Consultation (Vic): An Innovative Online Multilingual Learning Platform for Evidence-Based and Rights-Based Family Planning

INFOGRAPHIC OF THE DAY

HUMANITARIAN SETTINGS BY THE NUMBERS

AN ESTIMATED
2 BILLION
PEOPLE WORLDWIDE
ARE LIVING IN HUMANITARIAN
AND FRAGILE AREAS

A RECORD
70.8
MILLION PEOPLE
ARE FORCIBLY
DISPLACED WORLDWIDE

THE AVERAGE TIME
SPENT IN DISPLACEMENT IS
**UP TO
20 YEARS**

25%
OF THE 136 MILLION
PEOPLE IN NEED OF
HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE
ARE WOMEN AND
GIRLS OF REPRODUCTIVE AGE

30-40%
OF WOMEN
EXPERIENCING DISPLACEMENT
DID NOT WANT
TO BECOME PREGNANT
IN THE NEXT TWO YEARS

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TOP TWEETS

Here's the latest from the @UNFPA #FPConsultation in Antalya! Take a look at what 100+ #familyplanning champions are working on to end unmet need by #2030! @FP2020Global @Atayeshe @gatesfoundation @LesterCoutinho @DFID @benoitkalasa @DerejeWordofa

Working on supply & access to family planning is important, but insufficient: it doesn't respond to needs of women who don't want to get pregnant but don't use FP bc of stigma, myths/misconceptions. With Prof Ahmed Ragab of @FaithtoActionet and @UNFPA_Supplies at #FPConsultation

At the Global Consultation On Unmet Need for FP, co-presented an innovative tool & utilization focused products that enable Partners globally at all levels to utilize data to drive opportunities for Impact&Equity. #FPConsultation #ICPD25 #GlobalGoals #unfpa_supplies @UNFPA_Arabic

Thanks to Esther Victoria Moraes of @TheYPFoundation, Isabel Perez Witzke of @youth_coalition, @UNFPAUganda & UNFPA Uruguay for important insights on young people's need for FP. All the details in the brief: <https://tinyurl.com/y65766nk> @UNFPA_Supplies #FPConsultation #GlobalGoals

A day ahead of #WorldRefugeeDay, we're discussing the unmet need for #FamilyPlanning in humanitarian settings with Sarah Rich of @wrcommission, rep from Mozambique MOH & more. Breaking down the numbers below. <https://tinyurl.com/y6fq4z6u> #FPConsultation #GlobalGoals @UNFPA_Supplies

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