Motion Tracker 2nd Validation Meeting

presentation of findings

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Introduction

- Centre for Reproductive Health and Education with financial and technical assistance from Samasha Medical Foundation of Uganda is implementing The Motion Tracker in Zambia. This Project aims at supporting the government of Zambia meet the FP2020 commitments it made in July 2012 and later renewed in July 2017 at the Family Planning Summit in London respectively. Following the stakeholders meeting that was held in December 2017, interviews were conducted with different organizations to find out how each organization is contributing to the 2012 London Summit in preparation for the Fourth Stakeholder meeting to be held in May 2018. The total number of organization interviewed were twelve (12).
Objectives

• The objectives of the interview were to document organizations contributions towards the achievement of National FP2020 Commitments from October to December 2017 highlighting both barriers and solutions to overcome obstacles hindering the fulfilment of commitments made.
Techniques

a) Sampling Technique

A stakeholder matrix was developed during the implementation of the Commitment Initiative, a list of stakeholders involved and or implementing activities the support achievement of commitments was updated and used as a guide for data collection. The stakeholders engaged in the second interview excercise included: Copper Rose, IPAS, Maternal Health Association of Zambia (MHAZ), Centre for Reproductive Health and Education (CRHE), Marie Stopes Zambia (MSZ), Sfaids, Generation Alive (GAL), Copper Rose, Amref Health Zambia, USAID, Young Women Christian Association (YWCA), Society for Family Health (SFH), Churches Health Association of Zambia (CHAZ) and Treatment Advocacy and Literacy Campaign (TALC).
Techniques continued

b) Data Sources

- Data was collected from primary and secondary sources. Primary data was collected using a Partner Questionnaire. Secondary data was collected using desk review of various documents including project documents, sector reviews, newspaper articles, project dissemination meeting minutes.
Contributions of organisations by different thematic areas

- Various stakeholders are implementing projects or activities that contribute to the FP2020, EWEC, commitments. The following section describes in details the progress so far made towards achievement of the commitments per thematic area and partner participation and engagement.
THEMATIC AREA 1: FINANCE

1. Budget line for FP created in MoH Budget (On Track)

- Centre for Reproductive Health and Education is supporting Technical Working Groups in two districts in southern province (Mazabuka and Monze) to ensure that funds for family planning had a budget line in the year 2018. Both Districts allocated funds for CBD training in the usage of injectable. CRHE participated in the provincial planning meeting for the fiscal year 2018 that allocated funding towards family planning in two districts. This was the first time the two district were allocating funds to the training of CBDs.

- Marie Stopes Zambia supported and facilitated 5-6 Districts during the annual planning meeting for the Copperbelt province to have a specific provincial budget line for SRH budget. This has seen 6 out of 10 districts budget for SRH in 2018.
2. Annual Resource FP tracking conducted (On track)

- Generation Alive is tracking FP budget and they have also been conducting gender trainings with a budget analysis component (Partners: IPAS, Oxfam and DETTE component).
- SAfAIDS is doing budget tracking as one of the main activities however, they have not started tracking family planning yet. SAfAIDS through the Social Accountability Project around SRH is also working in 5 facilities, they track how much resources have been allocated for SRH/FP, how it’s used and expenditure to identify the gaps (Partners: MoH, Save the Children)
• Copper Rose Zambia conducted resource-tracking trainings for the Family Planning Budget.
• Marie Stopes Zambia through the partners and Family Planning Technical Working Group (FP TWG) member track FP resources and commodities. (Partners: MoH, CRHE)
• Centre for Reproductive Health and Education through the Family Planning Technical Working Group (FP TWG) and other implementing partners track FP resources and commodities.
3. 100% of FP funds allocated are spent per year (On track)

- Generation Alive is doing follow-ups on how much has been spent (Partners: Oxfam)
- SAfAIDS tracks FP budget allocation and what has been spent (Partners: MoH, Action Aid Zambia, Save the Children)
- Centre for Reproductive Health and Education through PAI tracks budget allocation, disbursement and expenditure.
4. Funding gaps for FP commodities reduced by 25% per year (On track)

- Marie Stopes Zambia has played a role in making sure that the funding gap for FP commodities is reduced by 25% per year by engaging the government and other stakeholders.
- Amref Health Zambia has contributed to ensure funding gaps for FP commodities are reduced by 25% per year through the activities of the FP TWG aimed at advocating for a reduction in funding gap.
- Centre for Reproductive Health and Education held dialogues with Government and other stakeholders on the reduction of the funding gap by 25% per year.
5. Donor Funding to FP programs (On track)

- Amref Health Zambia is in the process to lobby the Swedish government for funding towards FP programs
- Marie Stopes Zambia applauds the FP2020 movement; there has been a lot of good will (DFID-The Scale –Up for FP, SIDA-Sexual Reproductive Health and USAID Commodities). Marie Stopes Zambia is advocating for integration of (FP-ART-HIV) and have conducted trainings in LARC for Health Care Providers
- Centre for Reproductive Health and Education advocates with a number of Donors funding towards FP Programs through both the National and District FP Technical Working Groups meetings.
1. New leaders and Champions for Family Planning are identified at all levels (On track)

- Copper Rose Zambia projected to train peer educators in 2018 to work in Youth Friendly Services to ensure quality FP services. The organisation planned to train FP advocates/peer educators in community sensitisation.
- Maternal Health Action Zambia (MHAZ) is working at Community level with the Safe Motherhood Action Groups (SMAGs) Traditional Leaders and artists in raising awareness on family planning uptake and new methods (Partners: ALEGJIO, CHAZ, MOH and Save the children).
- IPAS Zambia has identified new leaders and champions by collaborating with organisations like Zambia Medical Association, Midwives Association of Zambia, Community Based organisations and youth Organisations.
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• Young Women Christian Association (YWCA) conducted debates on lowering age of consent, identification of service providers (FP) and facilities, which has helped identify six nurses to offer FP services at their centres. (Partners: MoH, PACT).

• SAfAIDS is working in Chiyaba Kingdom with the Chieftaincy herself, Member of Parliament for Mandevu Constituency and Area Health Committee in Chipata Health Zone on Family Planning.
2. New leaders and champions for Family Planning
Planning oriented on Family Planning demand generation and promotion of Family Planning modern methods
(On Track)

- Maternal Health Action Zambia has statements integrated into broader Sexual Reproductive Health, broader SRH materials with FP component. MHAZ trained Religious Leaders at community level and conducted awareness campaigns. (Partner: ALEGJIO)

- Marie Stopes Zambia recruited adolescents as FP Champions on the Copper belt Province at District level through FP TWG and UNICEF

- Young Women Christian Association identified and trained nurses, mentors and oriented them in the provision of Jadelle, Noristerat. The organisation also Works with their partners in dissemination of the contraceptive module but also make referrals. (Partners: PACT, Ministry of Health, Planned Parenthood Association of Zambia and Marie Stopes Zambia)
• Centre for Reproductive Health and Education through the Advanced Family Planning Project oriented the District FP TWG’s in Monze and Mazabuka respectively as New Leaders and Champions for Family Planning modern methods in 2017.

• Marie Stopes Zambia invested in male involvement, trained traditional leaders in FP as Champions in Muchinga Province, Muyombe Area. Peer educators and youths were also trained in SRH, Marie Stopes Zambia works with mature women as mobilisers to work in the villages particularly to target the girls on FP and SRH. (Partners: Ministry of Health, Ministry of Chiefs and Traditional Affairs and Ministry of Youth Sport and Child development.

• Society for Family Health (SFH/PSI) identified FP champions and oriented on Family Planning demand generation and promotion of Family Planning modern methods as part of the package of the health facility catchment area.
3. Documented religious sermons/statements containing FP messages (On track)

- Generation Alive developed religious statements in broader SRH information materials (Partner: IPAS)
- Youth Women Christian Association (YWCA) developed statements containing broader Sexual Reproductive Health information not specifically for family planning (Partner: MoH, PACT)
- USAID DISCOVER HEALTH-JSI Inc. allocated resources for RH to the following partners (MoH, SDA, Salvation Army, Pilgrim, FBO’s, CHAZ and UCZ) to work with religious leaders
- CHAZ has documented speeches and presentation that were given containing FP messages on national television by Family planning champions that they identified.
4. Active FP Champions (On track)

- Generation Alive identified community leaders that have helped champions and Family Planning information this has helped with dissemination in eastern province.
- Young Women Christian Association (YMCA) identified mentors and service providers as active FP champions (Partners: Ministry of Health, PACT)
- Marie Stopes Zambia has 4 Traditional Leaders (Chief Malembeka of the Lamba people in Mpongwe, Chief Lesa and Chief Shimukunami) as active champions, a number of peer educators, and mobilisers. MSZ supported a number of Chiefs from a number of Provinces to attend the SADC Forum in Lusaka to discuss Child Marriages, which gave MSZ a platform to ask them to talk to the adolescents to access contraceptives.
• Society for Family Health (SFH/PSI) identified 370 active FP champions in the SARAI—sexual reproductive health for all initiative project implementation areas
• Treatment Advocacy and Literacy Campaign identified four (4) active champions for FP in Lusaka and the five health facilities they are working in.
• The Active Family Planning Champions Churches Association of Zambia identified were trained on advocacy for family planning. They also talked about church supporting family planning on both radio and television. The asks were on financing, task shifting and commodity availability.
• SAfAIDS has Hon. Mwachingwele (Member of Parliament for Katuba Constituency), Hon. Dr. Chanda (Chairperson for Parliamentary Committee on Health), Senior Chief Chiyaba and the Young people themselves as active FP Champion.
Service Delivery
1. Number of CHAs oriented on community based FP information and education

- Amref trained a total of 40 CHAs and contributed towards a number of CHAs oriented on community based FP information and education through conducting an evaluation of CHAs distribution of FP injectable and follow-ups.
- Treatment Advocacy and Literacy Campaign conducted 16 trainings for CHAs at five-health facilities in Lusaka and also carried out sensitization activities.
2. CBD policy revised to include provision of information on Long-term and Permanent FP methods

- Amref Health Zambia conducted a CBD Policy evaluation, culminated into CBDs distribution of FP commodities in Kitwe and Ndola.
- Marie Stopes Zambia engaged qualified nurses to provide LARC in the community.
- Society for Family Health (SFH/PSI) trained CBDs, the training manual includes all methods and CBD refers the client to a facility for LARC
3. Number of CBDs oriented on long-term and permanent FP methods

- Society for Family Health (SFH/PSI) has trained 855 CBDs.
- Treatment Advocacy and Literacy Campaign trained 20 CBD’s in long-term methods.

4. Pre-service midwifery training curriculum revised to include insertion of IUD’s and implants.

- IPAS Zamia offered both technical and financial support to the General Nursing Council of Zambia to revise the curriculum for nurses and midwives.
12. In-Service Officers trained in long-term methods

- Marie Stopes Zambia has trained a number of nurses in Copperbelt Province to provide LARC but also work with Adolescents in Sexual Reproductive Health issues.

- Society for Family Health (SFH/PSI) trained health providers in LARC to ensure that they have active health providers who are always present i.e. part time and retired health workers. SFH also trained 2 health providers in each province who supervise and see how the facilities are performing.
THEMATIC AREA 3: ACCESS TO ESSENTIAL MEDICINES
(on track)
1. Government to fund 50% of funding gap to FP budget by 2018

• Government has allocated 1.3 million USD towards Family planning commodities.
1. Orientation materials on FP for religious leaders developed

- Amref Health Zambia in collaboration with Churches Health Association of Zambia conducted a breakfast meeting with religious leaders to enable dissemination of information on FP need, developed orientation materials on FP in collaboration with CHAZ for religious leaders.
- Generation Alive has produced IEC materials that includes FP information as a component (Partners: IPAS, CRHE, DETTE resources). Generation Alive’s main aim is the integration of FP in SRH.
- Young Women Christian Association is in the process of developing IEC materials to be shared during the community conversations where religious leaders will participate. (Partners: PACT, PPAZ, DIVINE DIVA and MoH)
2. Religious leaders oriented on FP demand generation and promotion

- Generation Alive trained religious leaders in FP demand generation in eastern province (Partners: CRHE, IPAS, DETTE resources).

- Young Women Christian Association (YWCA) conducted community conversations to raise awareness on Family Planning.
3. Local leaders oriented on FP demand generation and promotion

- Treatment Advocacy and Literacy Campaign identified 10 local leaders in Mandevu area in Lusaka oriented on FP demand generation
Challenges

- The budget line for family planning in the yellow book is insufficient to meet the needs of FP in the country
- Difficulty in tracking MoH facilities.
- Budget tracking requires money to train people to go into the field.
- Technicality of tracking tools has made the process slow.
- MoH does not share information, sometimes because they have nothing
- Bureaucracy, it is not easy to track and access these documents.
- Time is limited
- Delays in the release of funds by the Ministry of Finance is a challenge
The Zambian Government funding towards FP commodities is only 1.5 Million USD per year which makes it difficult to meet the 25% gap reduction per year.

Donors focus is on commodities not SRH as a whole.

Disclosure of resources that donors give to Government for Family planning has not been transparently communicated to the partners.
Solutions/Way forward

- Government should begin to look at Partners as part of them in the process of accountability and transparency
- Monitor how donor funds are used even from our end
- There is need for Ministry of Finance to release funding on time to make implementation easier for facilities.
- Time to be made available.
- Partners can help in providing funding for budget tracking.
- There is need for more training to cater for all officers in charge of resource tracking
- Government should promote transparency by availing necessary documents to CSO’s when needed
- Government should budget in-line with the Scale up plan and use the quantification report for resource allocation
- Holding sensitization meetings
• Sensitisation Campaigns through drama, identifying champions and community involvement
• Train peer educators about 60% every year
• Engage the community and facilities
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