THE COMMON FRAMEWORK FOR MEASURING GOVERNMENT SPENDING ON FAMILY PLANNING

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WHAT IS THE COMMON FRAMEWORK?

Set of ten indicators for monitoring government spending in a comparable way across different countries

Indicators organized by type of information in the planning and budget cycle

Funding need  Allocation  Disbursement  Expenditure
WHAT IS THE COMMON FRAMEWORK? (CONTINUED)

TRANSPARENCY RATING

Necessary to measure access to information for monitoring and accountability purposes

ANTICIPATED OUTCOME OF COMMON FRAMEWORK USE

Increased government ownership, measured as a rising share of government spending on FP as a percentage of total funding need over time
### The Common Framework

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| 1. Amount of funding needed to achieve family planning goals in a given year, as understood by the government | 2. **Adequacy/Sufficiency**: Government allocation for FP as a percentage of total funding need in a given year  
3. **Priority**: Government budget allocation to FP as a percentage of government budget allocation to health | 4. Funding disbursed to date as a percentage of funding allocated for FP  
5. **Timeliness**: Percentage of the FP budget disbursed as scheduled |

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| 6. **Budget Execution**: Percentage of government expenditure of allocated funds to FP  
7. **Absorption**: Percentage of government expenditure of FP funds disbursed from Ministry of Finance to Ministry of Health  
8. **Coverage**: Annual government expenditure on FP per woman of reproductive age | 9. **Performance and Ownership**: Government expenditure on FP as a percentage of total funding needed | 10. Allocation and expenditure information on each FP budget item is publicly available, including level of detail and timeliness of information |
WHAT MUST BE TRACKED?

FP Commodities: Contraceptives

FP Programs: Full Package Of FP Services As Defined By WHO
- Education and information services on FP, sexuality, reproductive health and STDs
- Counseling on contraceptives and FP
- Training staff to provide FP information, education and communication

Only official government budget data can be used
COMMON FRAMEWORK TOOLS

**Budget Accountability Real-Time Tracking Tool**
- Shared database for inputting official budget data needed to calculate indicators

**Country Scorecards (Advocacy)**
- Performance on indicators calculated using budget data collected
- Presented in annual scorecard on government FP investment (for one fiscal year)
- Transparency rating for documents in which FP budget data are located
IMPLEMENTING THE COMMON FRAMEWORK IN FRANCO PHONE WEST AFRICA

Nov-Dec 2019
- Dembélé provides training on Common Framework, online tracking tool and budget data collection

Jan-July 2020
- Partners collect data on FY 2019 and input data in online tracking tool
- Dembélé provides ongoing TA

July-Aug 2020
- Partners develop scorecards based on data collected (with TA from Dembélé)