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The Post-MDG Agenda: Processes and Options for PMNCH Engagement

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Why engage?

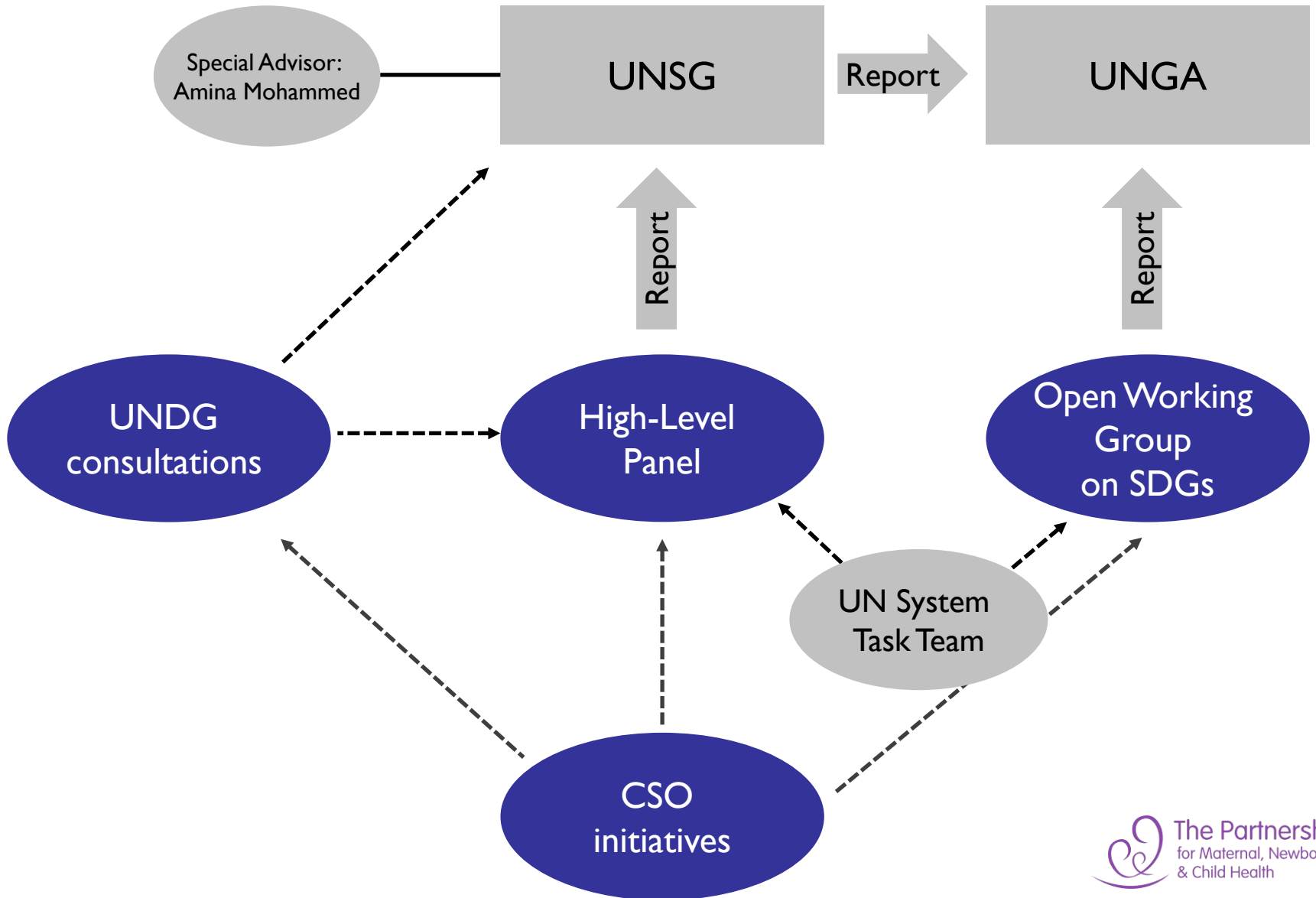
- Discussions about a post-2015 development framework are gaining significant momentum
- Various suggestions on the new framework are already emerging, regarding both its structure and content
- However, as yet there is little consensus on thematic issue priorities
- Crucial to position women's and children's health in the debate on the post-2015 (health) framework:
 - **Need for PMNCH to accelerate and strategically target its engagement within the post-2015 process**

Overview of key processes

- Four inter-linked processes in development of post-2015 agenda:
 1. UNSG's High-level Panel (HLP) of Eminent Persons on the Post 2015 Development Agenda
 2. Consultation process (coordinated by the UN Development Group)
 3. Open Working Group to develop Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)
 4. CSO led initiatives

+ ICPD Beyond 2014 Review
- Next steps for post-2015 agenda will be mapped out at the landmark **UNGA High-Level Meeting on MDGs** in September 2013

Map of post-2015 key processes



Specifics on key processes (1/2)

UNSG's High-level Panel (HLP)

- 26 members, co-chaired by the Presidents of Indonesia and Liberia, and the UK's Prime Minister
- Five meetings: New York (Sep 2012), UK (Nov 2012), Liberia (Jan 2013), Indonesia (Mar 2013), New York (most likely in May 2013)
- **Output:** Report to the UNSG with recommendations on the post-2015 development agenda by May 2013

UNDG consultation process

- At least 50 national and nine thematic consultations, feeds into UNSG HLP process
- Thematic consultation on health coordinated by UNICEF/WHO and Sweden/Botswana
 - Stakeholder meetings, background papers, other consultations
- **Output:** Summary of consultation process and recommendations by March 2013, for consideration by the HLP and the UNSG

Specifics on key processes (2/2)

Open Working Group on SDGs

- Decision to establish working group made at Rio+20 Conference in June; constitution still pending
- 30 members, nominated by member states
- Mandated to develop a proposal for a set of SDGs applicable to all countries
- **Output:** Report to UNGA (Sep 2013 – Sep 2014)

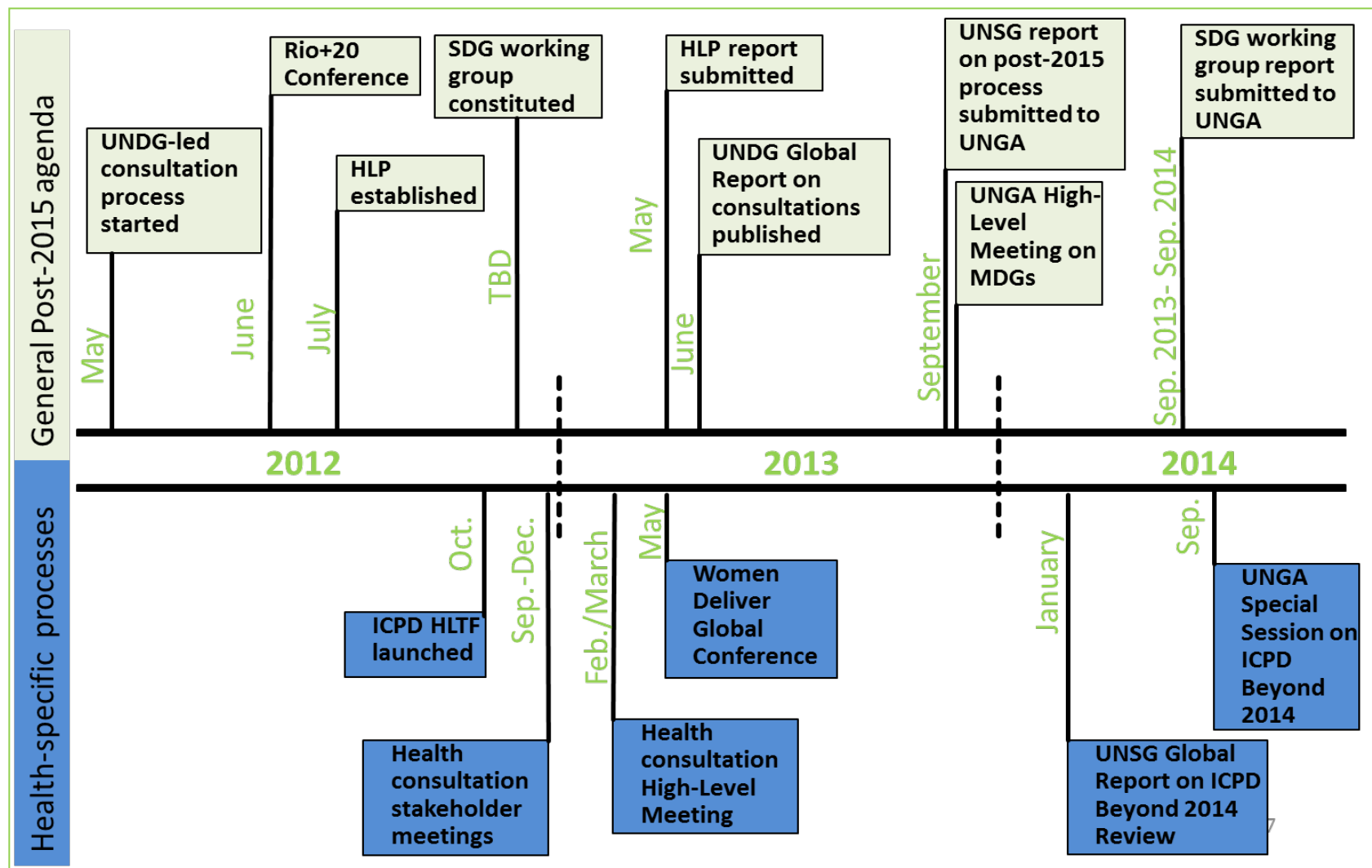
CSO led initiatives

- Core process: “Beyond 2015”, global civil society campaign
- Civil Society Platform to Promote SRHR
- Women Deliver Global Conference (May 2013)

ICPD Beyond 2014 Review

- Strong links to post-2015 processes
- Regional and expert meetings to feed into the UNDG-led consultation process
- **ICPD High-Level Task Force** to draft position paper on how to mobilize political support for SRHR in the post-2015 development agenda

Post-2015 Timeline and key milestones



Key themes within the health-specific debate

- Broad agreement that “unfinished” health MDGs require sustained focus in the post-2015 agenda
 - Some concern that women’s and children’s health is not sufficiently embedded in the current debate
- Many stakeholders underline need to include issues left out in the MDG framework (e.g. NCDs, health systems strengthening, etc.)
- Health as a human right vs. need (controversy around sexual and reproductive rights)
- Need to address health inequities within countries and regions
- How to address issues without overloading or fragmenting the health agenda?

Opportunities for PMNCH involvement (1/2)

■ Influence the post-2015 high-level processes

- Direct consultations with HLP members known to have an interest in women's and children's health
- Establish contact with SDG working group members and participate in possible input mechanisms
- Consult with members of the ICPD HLTF

■ Engage in health consultation and country consultation processes

- Participate in stakeholder meetings through PMNCH's constituency groups
- Engage with lead agencies and chairs of the consultation process
- Inform country debates with findings of health consultations through PMNCH constituency groups

Opportunities for PMNCH involvement (2/2)

- **Start PMNCH strategic dialogue and develop joint position on women's and children's health in the post-2015 agenda**
 - Commission a strategy paper on women's and children's health in the post-2015 framework to inform the health consultation outcome document and the strategic dialogue within PMNCH
 - Aim to develop a PMNCH consensus position by first Board meeting in 2013
 - Use consensus to intensify advocacy efforts in the run up to the UNGA 2013

Proposed next steps

To drive and coordinate these efforts:

- Establish a time-bound Task Team on women's and children's health in the Post-2015 Agenda at the PMNCH Board Meeting in October 2012 to:
 - Coordinate PMNCH's engagement in the post-MDG processes
 - Develop ToRs for and commission a strategy paper on the positioning of women's and children's health in the post-2015 agenda
 - Share information on outreach efforts, and prepare and lead the PMNCH consultation process, culminating in submission of a paper and discussion at the first PMNCH Board meeting in 2013
- Supported by the PMNCH Secretariat, and reporting to the Executive Committee