

Item 6: Political leadership and parliamentary engagement for women's, children's and adolescents' health



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Questions to Panelists

- Martin Chungong: Looking specifically at the opportunity of the PMNCH platform, with its 10 constituencies and increasing numbers of partners — now 1500 — how do you see the relationship between national political leadership and global multi-constituency actions being strengthened through engagements with the Inter-Parliamentary Union and contributions from PMNCH's Inter-Governmental Organization Constituency?
- Dr. Lwazi Manzi: The Global Leaders Network was established by the Presidency of South Africa with PMNCH to support political advocacy at the highest level. How do you see the relationship between high level political leadership and community-level action to accelerate SDG progress?
- Joy Phumaphi: Looking specifically at the opportunity of the PMNCH platform how do you see the relationship between national political leadership and global multi-constituency actions being strengthened through engagements with African Heads of State and leadership of regional platforms such as the AU?





Question to PMNCH Board Chair

- Perspective on the importance of increasing women's leadership as a catalyst for WCAH changes and the role that PMNCH can play in supporting ongoing efforts to strengthen women's engagement and leadership in political processes and decision making systems, such as the CEDAW general recommendation No. 40 on the topic of equal and inclusive representation of women in decision-making systems that will be put forth for discussion and eventual endorsement in October 2024.

