

Lessons learned from a decade of accountability through Every Woman Every Child

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Accountability – consensus, recommendations and status

1. Streamline reporting and unify thematic priorities across EWEC partners

- Reduce number and frequency of reports, improve quality of analysis and allow greater focus on dissemination and implementation of recommendation – result: BMJ series – Who is being left behind - decade of progress with focus on equity incl on all EWEC thematic areas (14 papers, 4 commentaries) to be launched on 20 Jan 2020 PMAC and advocacy points throughout the entire 2020. with Countdown, H6 and GFF

2. Clarify focus of reporting

- Yes: focus on 3 Rs (Results, Resources, Rights) as in Global Strategy
- No clear consensus: tracking of EWEC commitments, esp given methodological challenges. Includes only non-state commitments
- 16 marker indicators out of 60 Global Strategy indicators, focus on equity however disaggregation remains a challenge (however not included in Country Profile)
- Global estimates vs a vs DHIS2 more data, better analysis and country capacity

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3. Strengthen “calling out” around lack of progress and inadequate action

- PMNCH (incl. constituencies) and IAP seen as having clear role – support critical independent review function at global and national level
- EWEC HLSG still untapped potential? PMNCH Champions group

4. Strengthen accountability mechanisms

- Strong interest in portal to collate resources: make tool kit and resources available,
- Review of use of data visualization tool for policy and planning
- Disseminate country profiles (countdown profiles 127 countries; Equity profiles, ECD, and Adolescent profiles, now also UHC policy country profiles)
- Provide mechanism for community voices – www center at Accountability Breakfast
- Need to improve quality of routine reporting, e.g. NVR, UPR...
- Harmonize with other accountability initiatives ... and advocate for strengthened country information systems

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5. Call for greater focus on remedial action

- Make better use of national, regional and global platforms and events, including the new multi-stakeholder platforms to be used for joint accountability.
- Strengthen links to social and political accountability, including citizen engagement (civil society, AY grants, parliamentarians) to demand changes in policies and programmes
- Consistent engagement with media, traditional and social

6. Establishment of Accountability Working Group

- Newly established

Questions for discussion

- How do we continue to streamline global reporting (e.g. BMJ series; Global Strategy Progress Report; etc?), who does what (e.g. Countdown, H6, PMNCH, GFF, IAP), how do we make this relevant at country level?
- What mechanisms should we agree on to decide on what the Progress Report should focus on – deep dive topics (e.g. Resources, Results and Rights for women's, children's and adolescent's health?); equity and deep dive in certain countries and regions; EWEC focus areas? Health system bottle necks? Social determinants?
- How can PMNCH strengthen its “calling out” function in its UAF
- What is the PMNCH Board position with regards to the IAP's recommendation for an integrated health accountability mechanism under UHC, prioritizing the health of women, children and adolescents across SDG 3?
- How can PMNCH help more powerfully position accountability for women's, children's and adolescents' health through UHC, PHC and SDG 3?

Thank you