

WHO/IBP Call for Implementation Experiences and Lessons Learned

WHO / Implementing Best Practices and Knowledge SUCCESS invite you to submit implementation experiences of high impact practices in family planning (<https://www.fphighimpactpractices.org>)

BACKGROUND

The IBP network (<https://ibpnetwork.org>), hosted at the World Health Organization, is dedicated to supporting the use of evidence-based guidelines and interventions in family planning (FP) and reproductive health. The network includes over 70 member organizations and over 10,000 individuals that represent NGO, CSO, academic, and other global health stakeholders working in family planning and reproductive health.

As countries move towards implementing/scaling up high impact interventions, the need for better documentation and learning about implementation is warranted. Better documentation of field-based experiences will contribute to a wider evidence base around successful implementation and enable more sharing and learning about what works and does not when implementing evidence-based interventions in family planning and reproductive health. At the recent IBP global partners meeting, 41% and 46% of attendees shared that they wanted the IBP Network to prioritize the documentation of implementation of evidence-based practices and opportunities for knowledge exchange, respectively.

OBJECTIVES

- To solicit and document field-based experiences implementing high impact practices in family planning and reproductive health (HIPs) from a range of settings
- To document lessons learned and recommendations regarding country experiences implementing HIPs
- To capture field-based adjustments and adaptations used to successfully implement high impact interventions

PURPOSE

- Support countries to implement, monitor, and measure the implementation of high impact practices through documentation and knowledge exchange

AUDIENCE and UTILIZATION

- The audience will be field based partners seeking to identify and share innovative approaches to implementing various FP interventions
- Policy makers and other decision makers may also use these implementation experiences to reinforce real life examples of why investments in FP programming are critical

ELIGIBILITY

- Organizations working in family planning and reproductive health with programs based in low and middle-income countries (LMICs)
- Stories should be authored by a range of contributors reflecting a gender and age diversity
- Implementation experiences should be from efforts in low- and middle-income countries
- Experiences that reflect partnership between several organizations including local organizations are encouraged

FUNDING and DISSEMINATION

It is estimated that between 3-5 implementation experiences will be funded. A stipend of **\$2,500 USD** will be provided to each team to support documentation efforts around data collection, synthesis and writing. Implementation experiences will be published on the WHO/IBP Websites with links available through the WHO Reproductive Health and Research website. In addition, stories will be featured through Knowledge SUCCESS online channels.

APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply, please submit a short (2-page) expression of interest by **February 14, 2020**. **Submissions will be accepted in English, Spanish, and French.** Expressions of interest submitted after this deadline will not be considered. WHO may, at its own discretion, extend this closing date for the submission of expressions of interest by notifying all applicants thereof in writing. **Submissions should respond to the questions outlined in Annex A.**

EVALUATION OF SUBMISSIONS

Implementation experiences will be reviewed according to the following criteria:

- The clarity of the problem and identified intervention
- Description of significant challenges and strategies to overcome them when implementing the intervention
- Cultural or contextual factors to consider for design and implementation
- Demonstrated impact on FP/RH outcomes for an individual or community
- Ability to replicate or share lessons learned in other contexts

SELECTED APPLICANTS

Selected applicants will submit their implementation experience in a 3-4 page brief. Each brief will follow the same template, provided by IBP and Knowledge SUCCESS, organized into standardized, digestible, and actionable sections. Successful applicants are also required to submit six high-resolution images for use in the brief and in promotional materials. In addition to the final implementation experience brief, selected applicants will collaborate with IBP and Knowledge SUCCESS to determine additional format options.

ANNEX A

SUBMISSION QUESTIONS

Background

- What is the high impact practice being implemented?
- In what country(ies) is the high impact practice being implemented?
- List the partners involved and their role as lead or support.

Implementation *(Respond to each question in 100 words or less).*

- Why was this high impact practice selected for the context (i.e. what challenge or problem is it addressing)?
- Briefly describe how the practice is implemented, the target population and the context in which it is being implemented.
- What significant challenges, if any, have you encountered during implementation? How did you overcome them?
- What impact has the practice had on individual and/or community family planning / reproductive health outcomes?

Lessons learned *(Respond to each question in 100 words or less).*

- What lessons have you learned during the design and implementation of this high impact practice?
- What recommendations do you have for others considering implementing this high impact practice?

Contact information

- Name of corresponding author
- Email
- Organization

ANNEX B

NOTE FOR APPLICANTS

1. WHO may, at any time before the closing date, for any reason, whether on its own initiative or in response to a clarification requested by a (prospective) applicant, modify the bid by written amendment. Amendments could, inter alia, include modification of the project scope or requirements, the project timeline expectations and/or extension of the closing date for submission.
2. All prospective applicants that have submitted a bid will be notified in writing of all amendments to the bid and will, where applicable, be invited to amend their submission accordingly.
3. Applicants should note that **WHO reserves the right to:**
 - a. Award the contract to an applicant of its choice, even if its bid is not the lowest;
 - b. Accept or reject any bid, and to annul the solicitation process and reject all bids at any time prior to award of contract, without thereby incurring any liability to the affected applicants and without any obligation to inform the affected applicants of the grounds for WHO's action;
 - c. Award the contract on the basis of the Organization's particular objectives to an applicant whose bid is considered to be the most responsive to the needs of the Organization and the activity concerned;
 - d. Not award any contract at all;
 - e. WHO has the right to eliminate bids for technical or other reasons throughout the evaluation/selection process. WHO shall not in any way be obligated to reveal, or discuss with any applicant, how a bid was assessed, or to provide any other information relative to the evaluation/selection process or to state the reasons for elimination to any applicant.
4. WHO is **acting in good faith** by issuing this request for bids. However, **this document does not obligate WHO to contract for the performance of any work, nor for the supply of any products or services.**
5. **WHO reserves the right to enter into negotiations** with one or more applicants of its choice, including but not limited to negotiation of the terms of the bid(s), the price quoted in such bid(s) and/or the deletion of certain parts of the work, components or items called for under this bid.
6. **Within 30 days** of receipt of the contract, the successful applicant shall **sign and date** the contract and return it to WHO according to the instructions provided at that time. If the applicant does not

accept the contract terms without changes, then WHO has the right not to proceed with the selected applicant and instead contract with another applicant of its choice.