

FAMILY PLANNING 2020 COMMITMENT



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The following text summarizes the commitment made by the government of the United Kingdom at the London Summit on Family Planning on July 11, 2012.

POLICY & POLITICAL COMMITMENTS

The UK support to the Family Planning Summit Goal will enable an additional 24 million girls and women in the world's poorest countries, who wish to avoid an unintended pregnancy, to use voluntary family planning information, services and supplies, so that they are able to decide, freely and for themselves, whether, when and how many children to have. Meeting this need will prevent over 20 million unintended pregnancies and in doing so avert the deaths of 42,000 girls and women for whom an unintended pregnancy carries the risk of fatal consequences.

The UK has put girls and women front and center of its aid program and being able to plan the size of her family is a fundamental right that the UK believes all women and girls should have.

British support will contribute to ensuring that governments and partners are enabling access to a wide range of affordable, high quality contraceptive methods.

The UK will support partners including governments, civil society and faith-based organizations to tackle the social and cultural barriers to using contraception through education, counseling, information campaigns, and working with partners and communities, and to ensure safeguards against coercion and discrimination.

FINANCIAL COMMITMENTS

The UK is committing £516 million (US \$800 million) over eight years towards the London Summit on Family Planning goal of enabling an additional 120 million women and girls in the world's poorest countries to be using modern methods of family planning by 2020.

This commitment is part of the UK's broader commitment to double efforts on family planning, increasing investments from £90 million per year (average spend over 2010/11 and 2011/12) to £180 million per year over the eight years from 2012/13 to 2019/20.