

PATH Commitment



Narrative:

Guided by our mission to advance health equity through innovation and partnerships, works with countries and communities in support of a future in which everyone can protect their health and choose whether and when to have children. We see primary health care (PHC) as the foundation for universal health coverage for sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) and other essential health services.

To advance this vision, PATH:

- Drives fit-for-purpose innovation in health technologies, health systems, and integrated, person- centered care;
- Brokers transformative partnerships across governments, the private sector, and civil society; and
- Champions evidence-based decision-making for equitable, high quality, and sustainable health services and systems.

Four organizational change strategies guide how we work:

1. **Equity in health:** Challenge inequities in health programming and pursue approaches rooted in determinants of health, human rights, and country and community leadership.
2. **Community priorities:** Determine priorities and approaches based on unmet health needs, all defined by countries and communities.
3. **Respectful partnerships:** Partner with public and private sector actors at all levels, respecting diverse expertise and country and community knowledge and decision-making.
4. **Inclusive innovation:** Engage countries and communities in the end-to-end design process to create fit-for-purpose health interventions.

PATH commits to fulfilling five objectives from August 2020 to July 2030 in support of:

- Countries' commitments to FP2030 and ICPD+25
- Sustainable Development Goal 3: Good Health and Well-Being
- Sustainable Development Goal 5: Gender Equality
- Generation Equality Forum

FP2030 Focus Area: Improve system responsiveness to individual rights and needs

Objective 1: PATH commits to meaningfully engage community members and civil society organizations—including those representing diverse segments of adolescents and youth—as

partners in designing, improving, and/or implementing models of integrated, person-centered PHC and communication approaches to address their family planning and health needs in ways that are more holistic, gender-responsive,* acceptable, accessible, high quality, and financially sustainable.

- **Measurable outcomes:**

1. By 2030, PATH partnerships with at least five local organizations (e.g., national youth-led organizations) will have designed, improved, and/or implemented integrated, person-centered care including rights-based family planning.
2. By 2030, at least ten PATH-led SRHR projects will have been strengthened using our Equity in Programming Benchmarks tool, which includes 12 indicators to measure our four organizational change strategies (listed above).

** PATH analyzes gender-related barriers to family planning, advances innovations and policies in support of reproductive autonomy, promotes equitable gender norms and opportunities, and monitors progress toward gender equity in health.*

Objective 2: PATH commits to technical collaboration to support country-led introduction and scale-up of contraceptive methods in the context of informed choice. We aim to expand choice in rights-based family planning to include more contraceptive options, responsive to user preferences—including client preferences for access through community-based distribution, private sector outlets, and/or self-managed care.

- **Measurable outcome:** By 2030, PATH will have contributed to country-led efforts to broaden the range of contraceptive methods available in at least ten countries, identified based on country interest and community demand. Our contributions will include technical collaboration on costed introduction plans, guidelines, curricula, trainings, updated reporting tools, and/or learning exchange.

FP2030 Focus Area: Drive data and evidence-informed decision-making

Objective 3: PATH commits to champion evidence-informed decision-making in family planning through: 1) local evidence generation on effective program, policy, and measurement approaches; and 2) the facilitation of knowledge exchange and evidence use. We will align with the FP2030 Measurement Framework and advance accurate, disaggregated data collection and use.

- **Measurable outcomes:**

1. By 2030, PATH will have advanced the evidence base for family planning, publishing 15+ peer-reviewed journal articles led or co-written by authors based in low- and middle-income countries (LMICs), including 10+ authors who identify as women; and
2. By 2030, PATH will have supported learning exchange and evidence dissemination among family planning policymakers, technical assistance providers, implementers, researchers, and advocates—hosting 20+ interactive global webinars with 60+ unique LMIC-based presenters, including 30+ people who identify as women.

FP2030 Focus Area: Expand the narrative and shape the policy agenda

Objective 4: PATH commits to support advocacy and accountability activities led by citizens/residents, including expanded participation of representatives of historically marginalized, underserved, and/or overlooked groups such as adolescent girls, to amplify community voices and advance community priorities in rights-based family planning.

- **Measurable outcome:** By 2030, through advocacy and accountability partnerships with civil society organizations such as youth- and women-led organizations, PATH will have facilitated the adoption and/or implementation of 20+ policies or guidelines supportive of SRHR, including rights-based family planning.

FP2030 Focus Area: Transform social and gender norms

Objective 5: PATH commits to working with local partners to promote context-specific, positive social norm change to reduce gender-related barriers to family planning and support the rights of individuals and couples, including adolescents and youth, in all their sexual and gender diversity, to fulfill their reproductive intentions.

- **Measurable outcome:** By 2030, PATH will have identified and applied gender-transformative programmatic approaches in support of SRHR, in partnerships with 10+ local organizations.