

Survey regarding your organisation's work against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity

The High Commissioner for Human Rights is currently collecting information from states and organisations on the topic "Preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity and Human Rights". Thank you for your contribution to this process. This survey has a total of 30 questions divided into five parts and takes about 15-25 minutes to be completed. Thank you again for your participation and for submitting your contribution by 30th of January at the latest.

1. Does your organisation (directly or indirectly) reach out to the following groups in your work against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity? *

	Yes	No	Don't know
Adolescents	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Ethnic and racial minorities	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Indigenous women	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Women with disabilities	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Sex workers	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Women living with HIV/AIDS	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Women living in underserved areas and other stigmatized and excluded populations	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Poor women	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
LGBTIQ-persons	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Trafficked and sexually exploited women and girls	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Female prisoners	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Women and girls living in conflict situations (including refugees, stateless persons, asylum seekers, undocumented migrants, displaced women or other women affected by war.)	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

2. If you answer yes, please indicate how you reach them.

We reach them through community outreaches and our media platforms

3. Can women and girls participate (i.e. being able to contribute and influence) in processes concerning planning, implementation and assessment of your strategies and activities against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity? *

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

4. If yes, how?

Young women and girls participate in membership activities which include designing and hosting of radio and TV shows; serving on the Board, working in the staff and management of the organisation. Curious Minds is building a feminist wing of the organisation which is working on women and girl's rights and empowerment.

5. If not, why?

6. Can your organisation participate (i.e. being able to contribute and influence) in State-led processes concerning planning, budgeting, implementation and assessment of strategies against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity? *

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

7. If yes, how?

Curious Minds has participated in the Ghana delegation as youth representative to some previous CPDs. We participate in committees and consultations around maternal health which is sanctioned by state institutions such as the Ghana Health Service and the National Population Council

8. If not, why?

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9. Does your organisation provide/advocate for the following interventions for combating preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity: *

	Yes	No	Don't know
Family Planning Services	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prevention and management of STIs	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prevention and management of HIV/AIDS	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Management of unintended pregnancies	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Access to safe and legal abortion services	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Post-abortion care	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Appropriate antenatal care	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Detection of domestic violence	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Management of prelabour rupture of membranes and preterm labour	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Induction of labour for prolonged pregnancy	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prevention, management of post-partum haemorrhage	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Caesarean sections	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Appropriate post-partum care	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Newborn care	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

10. If yes, how?

These issues are raised in on the media advocacy platforms that we run as well as working with partner on community sensitization activities.

11. If not, why?

12. Does your organisation provide/advocate for the following medicines in your work towards combating preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity? *

	Yes	No	Don't know
Oxytocics	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Antibiotics	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Misoprostol and Mifepristone	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Magnesium sulphate	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Anti-retroviral medications and testing kits	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Anti-malarial medications (if relevant)	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Contraceptive methods, including condoms, hormonal methods and intrauterine devices	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

13. Identify the three most important reasons behind adolescent pregnancy in your context. Does your organisation have some strategy for addressing those reasons? Please share your experiences.

First reason is the lack of comprehensive sexuality education in all schools in Ghana. We are working with partners on different advocacy projects, platforms and networks to ensure that CSE is universally provided in all basic and second cycle schools in Ghana.

Second is low access and unaffordability of contraception. We advocate on our media platforms for progressive access and affordability of contraceptives especially for the rural and urban poor.

Third is poverty and low income of family of adolescents. We advocate with other partners for pro-poor policies to favour young women and girls to access better education and decent employment.

14. Please complete the following sentences: When fighting preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity, to what extent is your organisation/staff affected by... *

	1 (totally free from)	2	3	4	5 (severely affected by)
Intimidation	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Harassment	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Stigma	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Violence	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Legal prosecution	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

15. Please complete the following sentences: When fighting preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity, to what extent are your patients/target groups affected by... *

	1 (totally free from)	2	3	4	5 (severely affected by)
Intimidation	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Harassment	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Stigma	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Violence	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Legal prosecution	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

16. Complete the following sentence: My organisation is able to guarantee full confidentiality to all patients/visitors *

	1	2	3	4	5	
Fully agree	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	Fully disagree

17. Has your organisation been affected by restrictive funding policies having a negative impact on preventing Maternal Mortality and Morbidity? Explain how and your strategies on this issue.

No.

Technical guidance on reducing preventable Maternal Morbidity and Mortality

18. Are you familiar with the “Technical guidance on the application of a human rights-based approach to the implementation of policies and programmes to reduce preventable Maternal Morbidity and Mortality” (A/HRC/21/22)? A link to the document can be found here:

http://www2.ohchr.org/english/issues/women/docs/A.HRC.21.22_en.pdf

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- Yes
- No
- Don't know

19. If yes, has the technical guidance assisted your organisation in building enhanced understanding of the requirements of a human rights-based approach on this regard?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

20. If yes, please indicate the impact that such enhanced understanding has had for the design and implementation of your policies and programmes in this area.

No

Laws and policies on preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity.

21. What is your opinion about the current legislative, policy and regulatory measures addressing preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity in your context? *

	Not existing	Insufficient	Sufficient	Satisfactory	Don't know
Official policy on Sexual and Reproductive Health	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Official policy on combating preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Official policy on Comprehensive Sexuality Education, specially for women and adolescent girls	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Official accountability mechanisms against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity?	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inclusion of sexual and reproductive health strategy in national plans on public health?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Inclusion of maternal health strategy in national plans on public health?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

22. What are some of the major obstacles hindering women and girls to seek help, information and services for preventing Maternal Mortality and Morbidity in your context?

Affordability and accessibility of contraceptives and service, lack of knowledge on the liberality of abortion laws in Ghana, stigma, traditional and religious barriers, weak enforcement of law on domestic violence.

23. What are the major obstacles hindering: *

	Economical issues	Lack of information	Legal and/or political restrictions	Stigma	Don't know
Availability of interventions and medicines against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity?	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Accessibility of interventions and medicines against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Acceptability of interventions and medicines against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Quality of interventions and medicines against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity?	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input checked="" type="radio"/>

24. Please share good practices and strategies for increasing knowledge on effective interventions against preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity among most vulnerable groups, public servants and other stakeholders.

Peer education, media advocacy and sensitization, community outreaches and campaigning.

25. In your opinion, which state and non-state actors can promote or hinder the policies and activities addressing preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity in your context? Why?

The Ghana Health Service and National Population Council are promoting and adequately addressing maternal mortality and morbidity issues. The Ghana Education Service seem to hinder condom demonstration in schools which could leave to adolescent pregnancy and unsafe abortions.

Preventable Maternal Mortality and Morbidity in humanitarian settings

26. Does your organisation work on preventing Maternal Mortality and Morbidity in humanitarian settings? *

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

27. If you answered yes to the previous question, please indicate whether the following medicines, services and information are available in humanitarian settings you work in?

	Yes/fully	Sometimes/insufficiently	No/never	Don't know
Family Planning Services	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prevention and management of STIs	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Prevention and management of HIV/AIDS	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Detection of domestic violence	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
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Misoprostol and mifepristone	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Magnesium sulphate	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Anti-retroviral medications and testing kits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Anti- malarial medications (if relevant)	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
Contraceptive methods, including condoms, hormonal methods and intrauterine devices	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

28. If any of the above mentioned medicines, services etc. is not available, please share your opinion on why they are not (for example due to economic, political, legal, lack of knowledge, lack of staff or other restrictions)

29. Does your Government or organisation regularly collect data on sexual and reproductive health in humanitarian settings? *

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

30. Please elaborate on good practices and challenges regarding collecting data on sexual and reproductive health in humanitarian settings.

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