



GFF Consultation Report conveys voice of SRHR community

The voice of our community came through loud and clear in the Global Financing Facility (GFF) Consultation summary report, released over the holidays by the Partnership for Maternal Newborn and Child Health (PMNCH). The 43-page document draws on feedback from the health community, with exceptional representation by supporters of family planning (FP) and sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) more broadly. SRHR is given a standalone section and the top line message is clear: prioritize and fund the full range of rights-based SRHR services.

While concerns have been raised that the visibility afforded SRHR in the body of the report is not reflected in the Executive Summary, efforts are underway to deliver key messages to our champions on the GFF Business Planning Team.



The Coalition and IPPF have prepared a two-page summary of SRHR-related highlights from the GFF Consultation report.

Click to read the <u>summary</u> and/or <u>full report</u>.

Countries to provide GFF reality-check

A key step in the development of the GFF is the solicitation of country-level input through a series of national consultations. A select group of countries—"forerunner countries" as they are being called—have been identified to host these events. The first will be Kenya, during the week of 19 January; the second will most likely be Tanzania. Because these consultations will help shape the future of the financing facility, it is critical that the voices of SRHR champions be heard at all levels – from the public sector to civil society. Partners from across the Coalition's A&A Working Group, are working with national counterparts, particularly civil society partners, to ensure that happens.

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