

Advocacy for Quality of Care in Family Planning

To More with Many: Increasing Access to an Expanded
Basket of Contraceptive Choice

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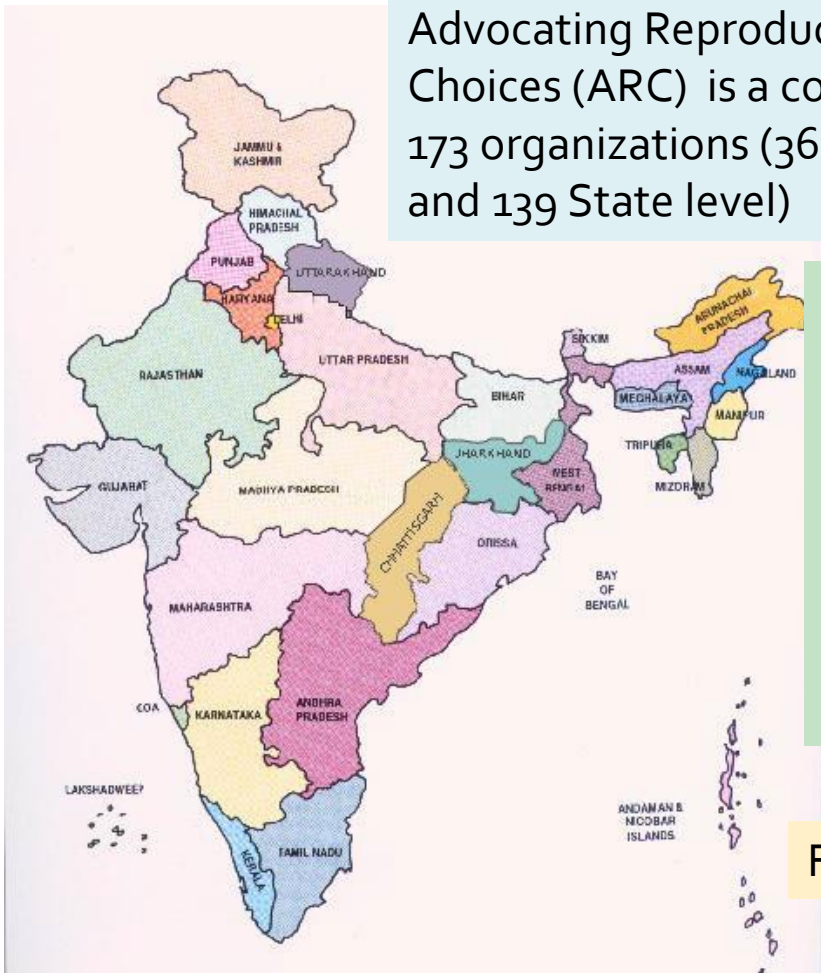
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Advocating Reproductive Choices (ARC) is a coalition of 173 organizations (36 National and 139 State level)

Founded in 2005, ARC primarily works in the field of sexual and reproductive health, advocating for access to quality contraceptive choice as a universal entitlement And towards ensuring that family planning remains a priority on the National agenda

FPA India currently holds the secretariat of ARC



Thrust Areas for Advocacy

- Quality of Care in Family Planning
- Expanding Contraceptive Choice

(ARC National Task Forces on each constituted)

National Task Force on Quality of Care

Members

- Family Planning Association of India(FPAI)
- Federation of Gynecological Societies of India (FOGSI)
- Hindustan Latex Family Planning Promotion Trust (HLFPPT)
- Parivar Seva Sansthan (PSS)
- Population Health Service (India)
- Marie Stopes International (India)
- Population Services International (India)

Background and Rationale

- Lack of quality and non-adherence of standards set by GoI, during FP procedures particularly in high-focus States.
- GoI has recognized the need for convergence between SRH and HIV services in the RCHP III, the National AIDS Control Program (NACP III and IV under design.
- Situational assessment of FP services in the 24X7 facilities will also provide a good opportunity to assess whether and to what extent the above actions have been initiated in the areas noted for convergence.

Aim

- To conduct a situational assessment of the delivery of various FP services both at the camp settings and on fixed days at various levels in a district, in association with the personnel from the state/district/block levels.
- To conduct a rapid assessment of SRH-HIV integration in district and block level public health facilities from a rights based perspective.
- To identify the gaps in service delivery and areas that need to be strengthened.

Specific objectives

- To assess the common practices in providing family planning services in relation to whether the standards laid down by the MOHFW, Govt. of India are being adhered to.
- To understand the process/steps taken prior to, during & after the procedure such as counselling & informed consent, pre-camp activities like publicity, mobilization of surgical team, local arrangements etc.
- To assess client satisfaction at different levels on various FP services including pre-procedure counselling, informed consent and post-op care
- To document good/best practices and share with MOHFW

Task force initiatives

- Technical review of the four manuals on quality standards for sterilization services developed by the MOHFW
- Comprehensive tools and TORs to assess the key parameters of quality of FP services in public health facilities developed
- Teams for assessment formed
- Districts shortlisted from 2 States (Bihar and UP) for pilot assessments

Assessment Tools

- 1 Facility assessment checklist
- 2. Surgical Procedure Checklist
- 3. Questionnaire to assess integration between SRH and HIV
- 4. Client exit interview questionnaire
- 5. Questionnaire for interviewing providers

Expected Outcome of Quality Assessment

- Accountability and service delivery mechanisms improved
- Quality measures as per guidelines in place and DQAC fully functional
- Infrastructure, Monitoring and MIS systems improved
- Technical and Clinical skills amongst service providers improved

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