Parallel Sessions

Friday, October 9, 2015 | 14:30-16:00

Two sessions of 40 minutes each (20-25 minutes of presentation followed by 15-20 minutes of question and answer)

Break Out Rooms

Agenda

**ROOM: BERGEN**

**Meeting Expectations: Operationalizing Global Collaboration for RH Supply Chains**

This panel will focus on how the member organizations of the Coordinated Supply Planning (CSP) group have created a functional inter-agency collaboration to share data, develop joint forecasts, and monitor supply plans across donor-supported countries to avoid stock imbalances of family planning products. Panelists will discuss the value of this collaboration from their organizational perspectives, but also the time, tools, and people required to effectively operationalize it, highlighting successes, challenges, and lessons learned for use in the wider RHSC community.

**Presenters:**
Alexis Heaton, John Snow Inc.
Mindy Scibilia, Clinton Health Access Initiative
Renee Van de Weerdt, UNFPA

**Where the Rubber Meets the Road: Contraceptive Stockouts and the Implications for Choice**

To ensure access to family planning that allows women to exercise choice when seeking FP services, country programs must track their progress and take action to eliminate contraceptive stockouts. This panel explores both components of this issue by reviewing a global initiative to develop, harmonize, adopt, and use indicators that measure contraceptive stockouts and by looking at the relationship between stockouts and method skew. The intent is to improve monitoring and to provide information that can be used to pinpoint areas for advocacy, programmatic improvement, and systems strengthening.

**Presenters:**
Win Brown, Gates Foundation (moderator)
Suzy Sacher, John Snow Inc.
Emily Sonneveld, Track20 Project
**ROOM: EIDSVOLL**

**Young People and their Choices--or Do They Have Any?**

The session will highlight diverse perspectives on enhancing effective demand, and improving the access, delivery and affordability of contraception for young people, with a focus on developing countries. This session will include discussion on issues such as the rights of youth, the importance of access to information and services, the value of integrated services, financing of youth services, and the synergies between the private sector and public sector.

**14:30 - 15:10**

Presenters:
- Jill Sheffield, Women Deliver (moderator)
- John Townsend, Population Council
- Klaus Brill, Bayer
- Wanzala E. Martin, Allied Youth Initiative - Uganda
- Monique Clesca, UNFPA

**Compare and Contrast: RHSC MDA WG & FP2020 Market Dynamics WG**

This session will give attendees a better understanding of the vision and mission of both the RHSC and FP2020 working groups focused on developing market interventions and commodity security. The session will clarify the differences between working group mandates and scope, as well as highlight their synergies; and provide a forum for dialogue.

**15:20 - 16:00**

Presenters:
- Renee Van de Weerdt, UNFPA (moderator)
- Ian Askew, Population Council
- Mabinty Koroma-Moore, FP 2020
- Frank Roijmans, i+solutions
- Prashant Yadav: William Davidson Institute, University of Michigan

**ROOM: SKAGERAK**

**Pathway to self-injection of a subcutaneous all-in-one injectable contraceptive in Ouagadougou Partnership countries**

An innovative, all-in-one, lower-dose 3-month DMPA subcutaneous (SubQ) contraceptive injection lends itself to easier administration, lower distribution costs and home and self-injection through a “Uniject” injection device and has great potential for impact towards the FP2020 goals by removing access barriers. This panel will provide information and insight into the pathway for self-injection of an all-in-one injectable contraceptive using examples from the Sayana Press introduction in West Africa in order to expand access to family planning in the Ouagadougou Partnership countries.

**14:30 - 15:10**

Presenters:
- Fatimata Sy, Ouagadougou Partnership (moderator)
- Trisha Wood Santos, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
- Jane Hutchings, Path
- Dr. Bocar Mamadou Daff, Senegal Ministry of Health and Social Action
- Maaike van Min, Marie Stopes International
- Miles Kemplay, Children’s Investment Fund Foundation
Expanding access and increasing choice through introduction of new contraceptive methods: Lessons learned from implant scale up and applications for introduction of subcutaneous DMPA

The introduction of new or improved contraceptive technologies offers women greater choice and access and contributes to global and country level family planning goals. This panel will discuss lessons learned from the introduction of Implanon NXT and Sayana Press focusing on how and when new products are included in donor procurement, how to incorporate training efficiently, trade-offs with introducing an improved product that may be more expensive than the current product (Sayana Press vs. DMPA IM), and the entrance of generics in the market.

Presenters:
Trisha Wood Santos, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation (moderator)
Maryjane Lacoste, Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
Victoria Graham, USAID
Alice Kang’ethe, Clinton Health Access Initiative
Lester Chinery, Concept Foundation

ROOM: SCANDINAVIA BALLROOM

New approaches for persistent problems: improving availability of lifesaving commodities for women

The panel describes new resources or approaches to assist countries in improving availability of essential medicines and supplies for women developed by members of the Maternal Health Technical Resource Team of the UN Commission on Life-Saving Commodities for Women and Children.

Presenters:
Dr. Paul Pronyk, UNICEF (moderator)
Beth Yeager, MSH
Johnnie Amenyah, JSI/USAID | DELIVER PROJECT
Shafia Rashid, FCI
Saumya Ramarao, Population Council

Where are Family Planning Policies Failing Women?

Three Ideas for Improving Access to Contraceptive Supplies in the SDG Era

In the last three years FP2020 has been a dynamic force for policy change in countries throughout the developing world. Now, with the Sustainable Development Goals in place, this panel will address what have we learned about connecting global policy with country-led priority-setting in terms of following the money, monitoring what matters and connecting capitals and communities.

Presenters:
Beth Fredrick, Advance Family Planning (moderator)
Moses Muwonge, Samasha Foundation, Uganda
Halima Shariff, Center for Communication Programs, Tanzania
Inne Silviane, Yayasan Cipta Cara Padu, Indonesia
Regulatory Barriers to Scale

Both i+Solutions and Jhpiego’s Accelovate program are seeking to mitigate the unmet need for critical health commodities in low and middle income countries by addressing regulatory barriers to support the scale up of affordable, high-quality essential medicines and health supplies. As part of the Universal Access to Female Condoms (UAFC) joint programme, i+solutions is working in collaboration with manufacturers to improve the availability and affordability of a variety of quality assured female condoms, and Accelovate, in collaboration with the UN Commission of Life-Saving Commodities, is working with in-country stakeholders to integrate global pharmaceutical standards into national-level pharmaceutical regulation.

Presenters:
Guillermo Lopez Rozada, i+solutions (moderator)
Shannon Egan, Accelovate Jhpiego
Deepti Tanuku, Accelovate Jhpiego

Equal Quality for Less: The Case for Generic Substitution of Reproductive Health Medicines

A generic medicine is “a pharmaceutical product, usually intended to be interchangeable with an innovator product that is manufactured without a license from the innovator company, and marketed after the expiry date of the patent or other exclusive rights.” These medicines meet the same quality, safety and efficacy standards and contain the same active pharmaceutical ingredient (API) as innovator medicines. UNFPA offers at least 12 WHO pre-qualified hormonal contraceptives. WHO has also published standards for generic medicines that serve as normative guidance. Further, manufacturers have been prequalified to produce these generic products safely, a fact that has allowed Africa to start combating its AIDS epidemic, TB and malaria challenges.

Presenters:
Dr. Kanyanta Sunkutu, UNFPA (moderator)
Seloi Mogatle, UNFP Procurement Services Branch
Heran Gerba Borta, Ethiopian Food, Medicine & Healthcare Administration & Control Authority
## Title: Riding the Digital Health Wave: Integrating Technology Innovations Improves Access to RH Commodities in Tanzania

This panel will discuss the implementation and outcomes of three complementary technologies that have been deployed in Tanzania for managing reproductive health supply chains, and how they have been integrated with other information systems. Panelists will present on these systems, and discuss how this integrated ecosystem has enabled more sophisticated analysis of data for operational and strategic decision making for RH logistics, advancing the human resources capacity for supply chain management.

**Presenters:**
- Mike Frost, JSI
- Dr. Johan Sæbø, University of Oslo/DHIS2

## Improving access to life-saving reproductive health commodities in Nigeria, Senegal, and beyond: Country-level achievements and challenges in fulfilling the UN Commodities Commission’s recommendations

Since 2013, the UN Commission on Life Saving Commodities for Women and Children (UNCoLSC) has provided funding to 19 countries to increase access to 13 essential RMNCH commodities, including three family planning methods. How have the UNCoLSC processes unfolded at the country level and what have these funds accomplished? This panel will focus on achievements and challenges at the country level in developing and implementing UNCoLSC workplans, and will highlight complementary advocacy efforts undertaken in Nigeria and Senegal, funded by the John Templeton Foundation and developed in conjunction with the RHSC’s Advocacy & Accountability Working Group.

**Presenters:**
- Sarah Rich, International Consortium for Emergency Contraception (moderator)
- Dr. Paul Pronyk, UNICEF
- Farouk M Jega, Pathfinder International
- Dr. Fatouma Ndiaye, Senegal Ministry of Health