CGA2019 takes a deeper dive with the release of 156 country and regional briefs

Hot on the heels of last month’s launch of the Commodity Gap Analysis 2019 (CGA2019), a full raft of customized “snapshots” is now available for those wishing to make focused use of the report’s rich data. Twenty-four country group briefs and 132 individual country briefs highlight key findings for each of the report’s five themes: (1) significance of donor funding, (2) distinct public and private sector landscapes, (3) role of subsidies in the private sector, (4) differences in the distribution of users and costs, and (5) significant yet uneven growth in the decade ahead. Country groups include donor priority countries,
income groups, and geographic regions. These snapshots offer at-a-glance information for research, advocacy and strategic planning, and can be downloaded here. Report co-author Michelle Weinberg walked participants through the report in this month’s dedicated webinar “What is the Commodity Gap Analysis 2019 and How Can It Help Me?”

**IN THE NEWS**

**Youth Caucus contributes to UNFPA/Guttmacher position paper**

This month, members of the Youth Caucus provided feedback to a draft brief entitled “Young People’s Need for Contraception”. The brief was prepared by UNFPA and the Guttmacher Institute to inform discussions during the recent global consultation to end unmet need for family planning, held in Antalya, Turkey. Co-author Mandira Paul from UNFPA presented the brief to the Caucus, whose members advised on the choice of issues, structure, the brief’s resonance with young people, and ideas for dissemination. The brief is being finalized and will be disseminated in the lead-up to the Nairobi Summit on ICPD25.

**SEPREMI pays for itself in less than two months.**

Last month, Nicaragua’s Ministry of Health acknowledged that as a result of market intelligence gathered through SEPREMI, they were now in a position to order quality-assured condoms at a third of the price previously paid to suppliers – savings in excess of $500K. SEPREMI is the new business intelligence tool, launched in June by ForoLAC, the Coalition’s Latin American and Caribbean Forum. The tool was developed by national procurers across the region to help them negotiate more effectively with pharmaceutical manufacturers. For more information on SEPREMI, please contact Regional Advisor Milka Dinev on mdinev@rhsupplies.org.
SSWG launches new visibility and analytics workstream

The Systems Strengthening Working Group (SSWG) has launched a new workstream aimed at advancing best practices and exploring country-level supply chain visibility and analytics. The workstream also hopes to advise and offer country-connections for the Global FPVAN.

Coalition Secretariat welcomes new VAN project manager

Trisha Long has joined the Coalition Secretariat as the Global FP VAN's new Data & Technology Project Manager. Trisha is a familiar face to many in our community, having been an active player for many years in the CARhs and the CSP. She worked at the USAID | DELIVER Project and more recently at IntelliCog, where she developed software and analytical tools for the USAID Business Intelligence & Analysis Project. As we welcome Trisha, we also extend our thanks and best wishes to her predecessor in this role, Sarah Kozlen. Trisha can be reached at tlong@rhsupplies.org.

This month’s additions to the Coalition webinar hub
• What is the Contraceptive Commodity Gap Analysis and How Can It Help Me?
• Access to Contraceptives in LAC: the Case of Argentina and Brazil (Spanish language)
• Injectable Contraceptive Assessment in Uganda and Nigeria

NEW MEMBERS

In the Netherlands, Dance4Life is a civil society organization working for quality, youth-friendly and accessible SRHR services for young people.

Grand Challenges Canada is one of the largest impact-first investors in Canada, with a feminist investment approach. It has, to date, supported over 1,000 innovations in more than 90 countries and has a special interest in supporting medical abortion-related work.

IN THE CALENDAR

2019 UN High-Level Meeting on Universal Health Coverage (UHC)  23 September  
New York, USA

4th Biennial Scientific Conference on Medical Products Regulation in Africa  30 September - 1 October  
Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe

Inspire Annual Conference  01-02 October  
Athens, Greece

17th International Dialogue on Population and Sustainable Development  24-25 October  
Berlin, Germany