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AT A GLANCE

[Good news](#) about favorable procurement conditions spreads to Caribbean countries, [new Compass report](#) reveals the adaptation strategies developed during COVID-19, 1500 migrant women [receive RH supplies in Guatemala](#), and RHSC [joins the WeChat revolution](#).

THE LATEST



New report on adaptation strategies during COVID-19

A new report – [Adaptations Used to Ensure Contraceptive Access During The Covid-19 Pandemic](#) – investigates Covid’s profound impact on RH supply chains and explores adaptations that stakeholders in sub-Saharan Africa have made in order to maintain access to RH commodities. Produced by inSupply Health, the report was issued under the auspices of RHSC’s [Compass initiative](#) which supports greater resilience in supply chains and marketplaces following the COVID-19 pandemic. [Register here](#) for a panel discussion on the findings of the report, taking place on 28 June.



Encuentro introduces SEPREMI to English-speaking Caribbean

In a region where island states face expensive and complex supply chain challenges, 24 participants from 17 Caribbean countries came together for the first time to learn about contraceptive procurement-related business intelligence, planning, advocacy, and impact measurement. The USAID / LAC Bureau supported the translation of business intelligence tool SEPREMI allowing ForoLAC and the UNFPA sub-regional office in the Caribbean to co-host a workshop. English-speaking Caribbean countries learned how they could benefit from the favorable procurement terms currently enjoyed by Latin American countries. Following on from a successful series of Spanish-language [Encuentros](#) in Latin America, this English-language meeting in Port of Spain showed how SEPREMI can

help estimate the effect of different budget scenarios on reproductive health outcomes. [Read more.](#)



NGO integrates RH into migrant services in Guatemala

This week, as the world observes [World Refugee Day](#), the RHSC is pleased to report that our Guatemalan partner NGO TAN UX'IL has helped integrate sexual and reproductive health supplies into the migrant services offered at Petén Care Center. Petén, Guatemala, is on a major transit route for Central American migrants heading to Mexico and the United States. Under the Paso Seguro initiative, two UNHCR-trained nurses have been hired, and nearly 1500 women have received SRH services, a quarter of whom aged 10-19. [Read more.](#)

NUMBER OF THE MONTH

1500

In the first four months of the program, the TAN UX'IL center served nearly 1500 women, a quarter of whom were aged 10-19.

Collaborative supply planning work launched under Compass

As part of the [Compass Initiative](#), the RHSC is supporting work to document the interest and processes necessary for joint supply planning in West Africa, and more specifically, the ability and prospects for Economic Community of West African States (ECOWAS) countries and the West African Health Organization (WAHO) to work together to review country supply plans for joint decision-making as a region. Chemonics will work in close partnership with RHSC and WAHO to move toward collaborative supply planning in West Africa. For more information, contact Senior Technical Officer Safia Ahsan at sahsan@rhsupplies.org.

RHSC reaches out on WeChat

RHSC partners in China will now receive RH supply community news in two ways – the ongoing Chinese version of SupplyInsider as well as a monthly digest on WeChat. The messaging, social media, and mobile payment app – China’s largest – has nearly 1.7 billion users and far outranks traditional email in popularity and daily use. For more information, write to the RHSC’s China Coordinator He Yonggang here: rhscchina@rhsupplies.org. To subscribe to our WeChat channel, managed by PATH, search for our WeChat ID **RHSC_China**.

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The Future of the Modern Contraceptive Method Mix

INNOVATIVE TECHNOLOGY, USER-FOCUSED DESIGN

FP 2030 CONTRACEPTIVE TECHNOLOGY INNOVATION EXCHANGE fhi360 POPULATION COUNCIL Ideas. Evidence. Impact. psi Reproductive Health SUPPLIES COALITION

Contraceptive Technologies Webinar

The RHSC is co-hosting a series of webinars on modern contraceptive technologies with FP2030, FHI360, PSI, Population Council, and the CTI

Exchange. The first webinar explored innovative contraceptive technology including transdermal gels, biodegradable implants, and multipurpose prevention technologies, shared a vision for what a user-led, context-appropriate, and gender inclusive contraceptive method mix could look. [Find the recording here](#) and watch this space for information on upcoming webinars.

Welcome to our new Senior Technical Officer

We welcome Sarah Webb as our new Senior Technical Officer, to support the work of the [Advocacy & Accountability Working Group](#), advocate with partners for increased domestic resource mobilization and expenditure for the inclusion of RH products in universal health coverage and health insurance schemes, and on behalf of countries that need more attention from donors and the RH community. Additionally, she will support the [New & Underutilized RH Technologies Caucus](#), including the Safe Abortion Supplies and Menstrual Health Supplies workstreams. Sarah leaves her previous role at Jhpiego as Technical Advisor, Market Solutions and Family Planning/Reproductive Health, where she provided technical leadership on post-introduction contraceptive technologies and market management, among other responsibilities.

NEW MEMBERS

- [The National Family Planning Programme in Saint Vincent and the Grenadines](#) provides reproductive health care services to the population, with a focus on adolescents, women of reproductive age, and men.
- [Zhejiang Xianju Pharmaceutical Company, Ltd.](#) is a China-based company principally engaged in the research, manufacture, and distribution of steroid active pharmaceutical ingredients (APIs) and preparations.
- [Total Family Health Organization](#) is a non-profit Ghanaian social marketing organization that works to improve the health of Ghanaians through social marketing of products and services.
- The [Commercial Medical Stores](#) in Uganda is a wholesaler and distributor of pharmaceuticals with the goal of creating a Platform for Enhanced Access to Contraceptives and SRH services.

- [Guilin HBM Health Protections, Inc.](#) in China is a factory producing condoms, medical gloves, household gloves, and industrial protective products.

NEW WEBINARS



MHS Caucus
[Innovative Medicines for PPH](#)



MHS Caucus
[MNCHN Asset Tracker](#)

IN THE CALENDAR

17-20 July | Kigali, Rwanda
[Women Deliver 2023](#)

9-12 October | Paris, France
[XXIV World Congress of Gynecology and Obstetrics](#)

16-20 October | Accra, Ghana
[General Membership Meeting of the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition](#)