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MDAWG Workplan
MDAWG PURPOSE, OBJECTIVES AND COMMITMENTS

**_PURPOSE & OBJECTIVES**

The MDAWG will advance and operationalize RHSC’s workplan through a global, neutral platform that convenes and fosters collaboration, sharing, and learning to:

- Advance global understanding and market shaping practices to improve the availability, equity, quality and choice of RH supplies
- Facilitate networking and collaboration among members and organizations interested in applying market development approaches to improve access to RH supplies
- Provide thought leadership, technical expertise, and “global goods” to advance market development for RH supplies

**COMMITMENTS**

MDAWG is committed to low-cost, high-impact initiatives that advance the 3Ms - money, markets, and movement for RH supplies, that:

- Respond to and are driven by global to local market issues
- Facilitate honest conversations and debate
- Bolster new thinking, global knowledge, and collaboration
- Leverage complementary strengths of RHSC’s implementing mechanisms (e.g., manufacturers group, SSWG, and NURHT) and external groups
Our workplan creation process led to the identification of three discrete activity categories for MDAWG. Our activities will leverage the comparative strengths of MDAWG and generate new value, beyond the contributions of other markets-oriented interagency groups and donor-funded initiatives. Members are encouraged, but not limited, to work across organizations, projects, as well as RHSC’s IMs, to design and implement activities within the parameters of the three categories.
2022 - 2024 WORKPLAN ACTIVITY CATEGORIES

1. **Discussion Series: Market Reality Check**
   - The purpose of this discussion series is to bring together industry experts, funders, and technical experts to foster honest, deeper conversations on the existing realities that influence market development for RH supplies - global to local.
   - Format: Panel and audience discussion
   - Illustrative Topics:
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   - The purpose of this webinar series is to share practical lessons, tools, and approaches that will bolster new learning and innovations in RH market development.
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   - Format: Various tools & resources
   - Illustrative Topics:
     - RH Market Data Checklist and Glossary (list of metrics to support RH supply data harmonization, tracking and trends)
Contextual Background
In 2021, the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition (RHSC) embarked on a new four-year agenda to make sure that people in the world’s poorest countries can access and use a full range of affordable, high-quality reproductive health supplies.

The program of action is focused on achieving the four strategic pillars enshrined in our 2015-2025 Strategy: availability, quality, equity, and choice; it is built around the three key drivers of change (“3Ms”): money, markets and movement.
RHSC’S THEORY OF CHANGE

As shown in the Theory of Change, our journey from input to impact will yield outputs aimed at overcoming three key bottlenecks to commodity security identified in our recent 2030 RH Supplies Ecosystem Analysis.
COLLABORATION AND SYNERGY TO IMPLEMENT RHSC WORKPLAN

RHSC members are dedicated to strengthening access to RH supplies in low- and middle-income countries. We believe the Coalition’s new workplan will help move the needle in this effort. All the Coalition’s Implementing Mechanisms (IMs), including MDAWG, have opportunity to contribute.
MDAWG COMMITMENTS

The Working Group’s objectives are pursued through organizational collaborations and discrete activities led by members. Given the impacts of the COVID-19 pandemic and various, emerging investments in market-driven approaches within the RH community, MDAWG will focus our attention on low-cost, high-impact initiatives that advance the 3Ms -money, markets, and movement for RH supplies.

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MDAWG’S MEMBER REPRESENTATION AND GLOBAL REACH

Consultancy Firms
Digital & Technology Companies
Distributors & Wholesalers
Donors/Foundations
FP Associations
FP Councils (local)
FP Associations/ Networks (local)
Global Agencies & Coalitions

Social Marketing Organizations
USAID Project Implementers
Nongovernmental Organizations
Research Institutions
Pharmaceutical Industry
Manufacturers (generic & innovator)
MDAWG Workplan Process
WORKPLAN CREATION TIMELINE AND PROCESS

DECEMBER 2020
A brief survey was conducted to gather MDAWG members’ inputs on priorities for the coming years.

JULY 2021
A small team comprised of MDAWG members convened to identify priorities and generate ideas for an updated workplan. Utilizing a SWOT analysis, the team identified:
- opportunities and challenges which MDAWG is well-positioned to address
- refined objectives to align to the RHSC’s Strategy.

APRIL 2021
RHSC held a virtual meeting bringing together members from across the globe. During this meeting, MDAWG members brainstormed ideas that could advance market development resources, knowledge, and collaboration for RH supplies.

OCTOBER 2021
The workplan is being vetted and strengthened with additional inputs from all MDAWG members.
SWOT ANALYSIS OF MDAWG

Strengths/Unique Advantages

• Caliber of MDAWG networks with leading market players involved, enabling access, market shaping efforts, and future strategic thinking

• Convening power to bring diverse groups and industry experts together on complex issues

• Linkage and collaboration with the Coalition’s Manufacturers Group, NURHT Caucus, A&A WG and SSWG

• One-of-a-kind global conference to foster networking and collaboration

• Specific focus on markets for RH supplies
SWOT ANALYSIS OF MDAWG

Weaknesses

• The format of the workstream model, which has been used in the past, can be ineffective when only minimal funding is available to support members’ time and efforts

• Innovation Fund grants’ relatively small size and high effort
SWOT ANALYSIS OF MDAWG

Opportunities

• Increasing donor and government investment in market development and private sector engagement

• Shifts in the external RH supplies environment necessitates significant market development innovation and engagement among broader set of actors

• Shift towards locally-led, locally-driven initiatives

• Highest levels of member participation when MDAWG activities are linked to members’ “day jobs”/existing projects

• Leverage RHSC’s other IMs (manufacturers group, SSWG, NURHT) for larger, joint market systems “projects”
SWOT ANALYSIS OF MDAWG

Threats

• Working group participation fatigue/attrition due in part to other platforms (within and external to RHSC)
• Donors are beginning to withdraw commodity support (also an opportunity)
• Zoom/webinar fatigue, related to pressures faced by members during the COVID-19 pandemic
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