

Using the Global Family Planning Visibility and Analytics Network (VAN) for resilience during COVID-19 & other disruptions

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- Questions and AOB





What is the VAN? (and why is it important?)

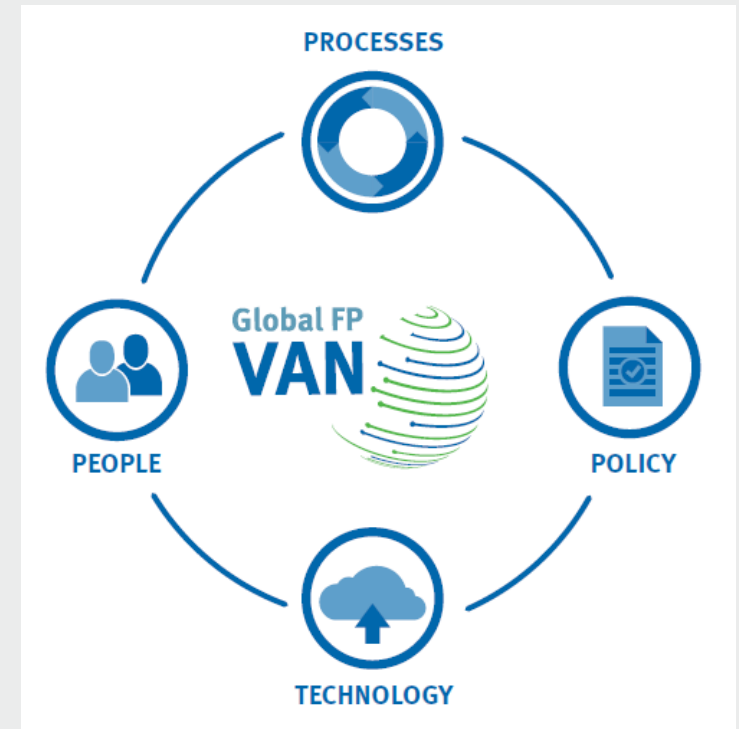


WHAT WE DO

The Global Family Planning Visibility & Analytics Network (VAN) Goal

Better aggregate, share, and align country demand data with global production, procurement and funding to avoid stock imbalances and maximize use of limited resources to ensure continuous availability and choice of family planning products in developing countries.

- **Better** = technology
- **Aggregate** = process
- **Share** = policy
- **Align** = people



Situating the VAN



MANUFACTURERS
AND SUPPLIERS

SHIPPERS

PORTS AND
CUSTOMS

CENTRAL MEDICAL
STORE

REGIONAL
WAREHOUSE

HEALTH FACILITY /
HOSPITAL CLINIC

CLIENT



The Global Family Planning Visibility & Analytics Network (VAN)

The VAN is a supply chain network and offers a collaborative, digital space where countries are linked to their global partners to:

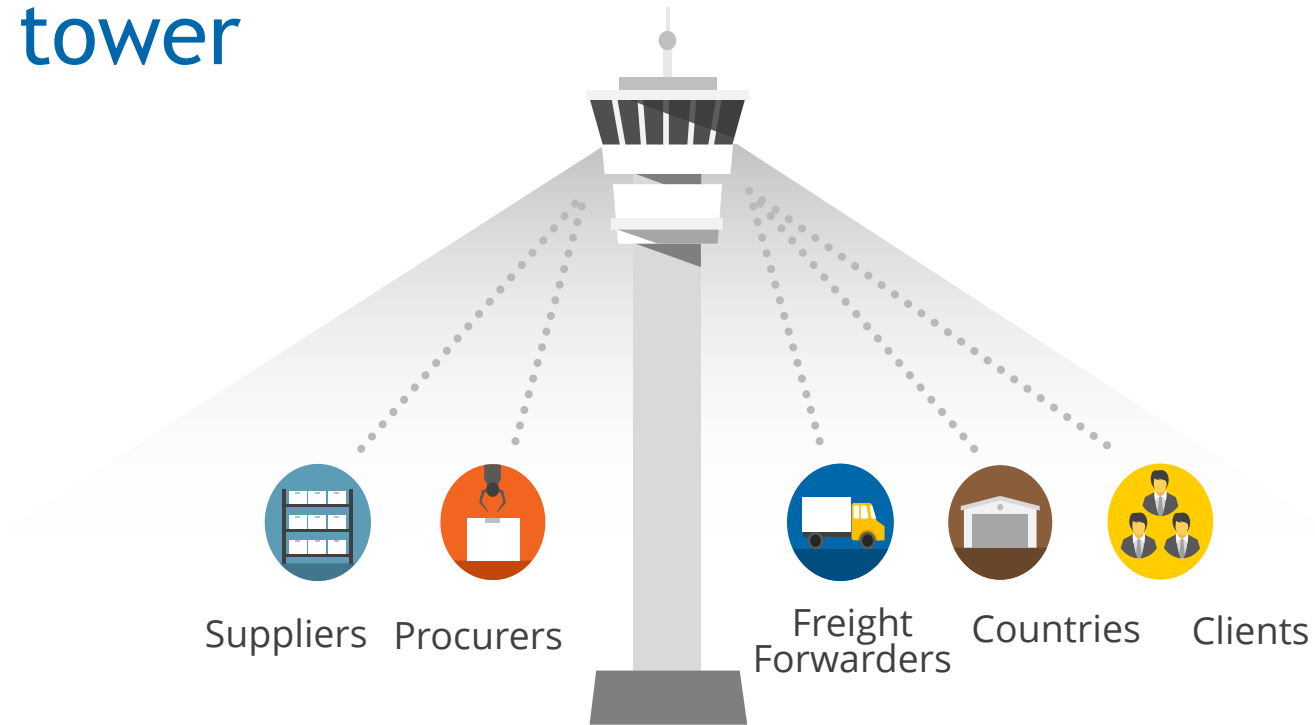


Assess
supply needs

Prioritize
those needs

Take action when
supply imbalances
loom

VAN is a growing supply chain network with a control tower



- 100+ Member orgs
- 350+ users
- 9+ Control Tower Analysts
- Tracking
 - 7,500+ shipments
 - 5,500+ orders
- Across 71 products & 145 countries

VAN membership is growing everyday

GOVERNMENTS (37 total trained)

Afghanistan
Angola*
Bangladesh
Benin^
Burkina Faso^
Burundi
Cape Verde
Chad
Côte d'Ivoire
DRC
Ethiopia^
Gabon
Gambia

Ghana^
Guinea
Guinea-Bissau
Haiti
Kenya
Liberia^
Madagascar
Malawi^
Mali
Mauritania
Mozambique
Nepal
Niger^

Nigeria^
Pakistan
Rwanda^
Sao Tome & Principe
Senegal
Sierra Leone
Tanzania
Togo^
Uganda
Zambia
Zimbabwe
**Pending MOH TOU agreement*
^Premium/Premium+ member

SUPPLIERS AND MANUFACTURERS

Bayer
Mylan Laboratories, Ltd. - A Viatri Company
Pfizer
Shanghai Dahua Pharmaceutical Co., Ltd./DKT WomanCare
Global

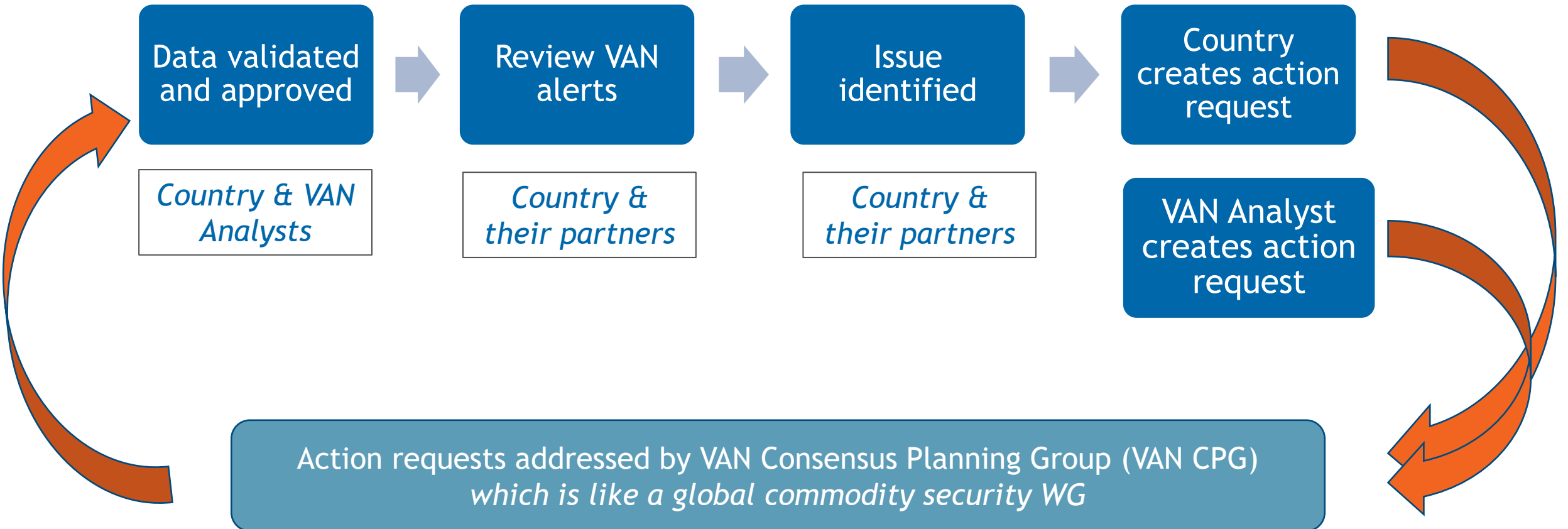
TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PARTNERS

Clinton Health Access Initiative
Global Health Supply Chain Program-Procurement and Supply Management project
Global Health Supply Chain Program-Technical Assistance Francophone Task Order
John Snow, Inc.

DONORS AND PROCURERS

Children's Investment Fund Foundation (CIFF)
Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation
International Planned Parenthood Federation
Marie Stopes International
Population Services International
SEMA Reproductive Health
United Kingdom Foreign, Commonwealth & Development Office
United Nations Population Fund
United States Agency for International Development
West African Health Organization/KfW

Linking country, region, global decision-making



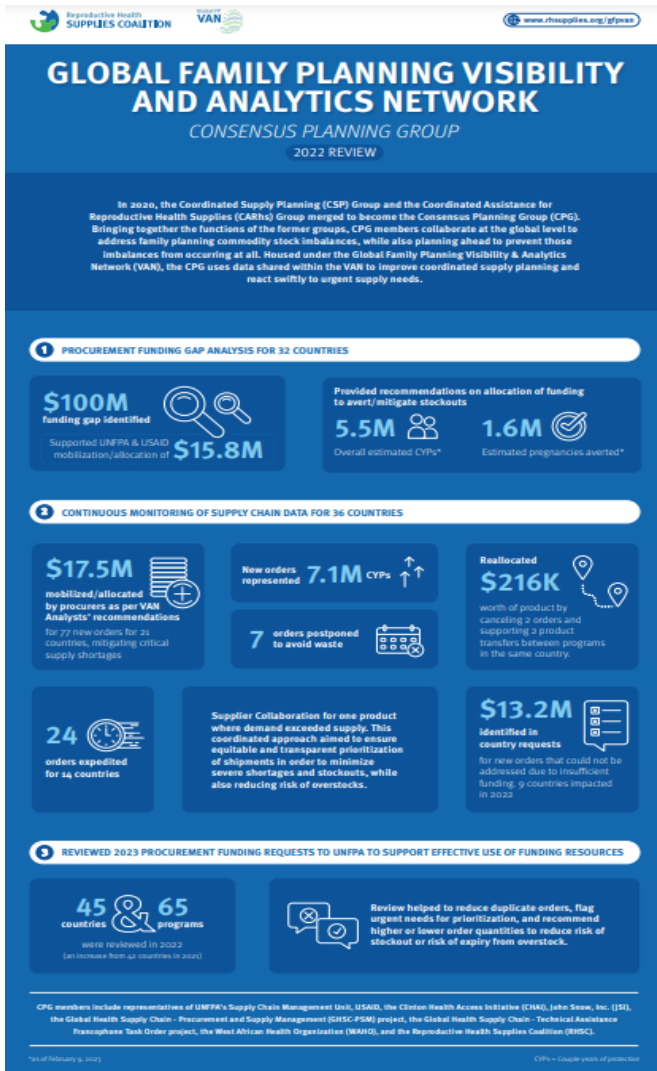
VAN offers a global-level commodity security Working Group = VAN Consensus Planning Group (VAN CPG)

- 1) Execute against immediate country supply plan needs
 - Monitor orders, shipments and inventory against the supply plan (across USAID, UNFPA, SMOs, national procurements, etc.)
 - Discuss recommendations for action to global donors to resolve projected overstocks, shortages, or stockouts
 - Build scenarios
 - Support donors with prioritization of limited funding resources
 - Support allocation of supply-constrained products
- 2) Share longer-term plans with global partners
 - Share supply plans for better global forecasting and production planning with manufacturers and donors
 - Communicate annual funding gaps across all products for global action



Impact

Key Performance Indicators



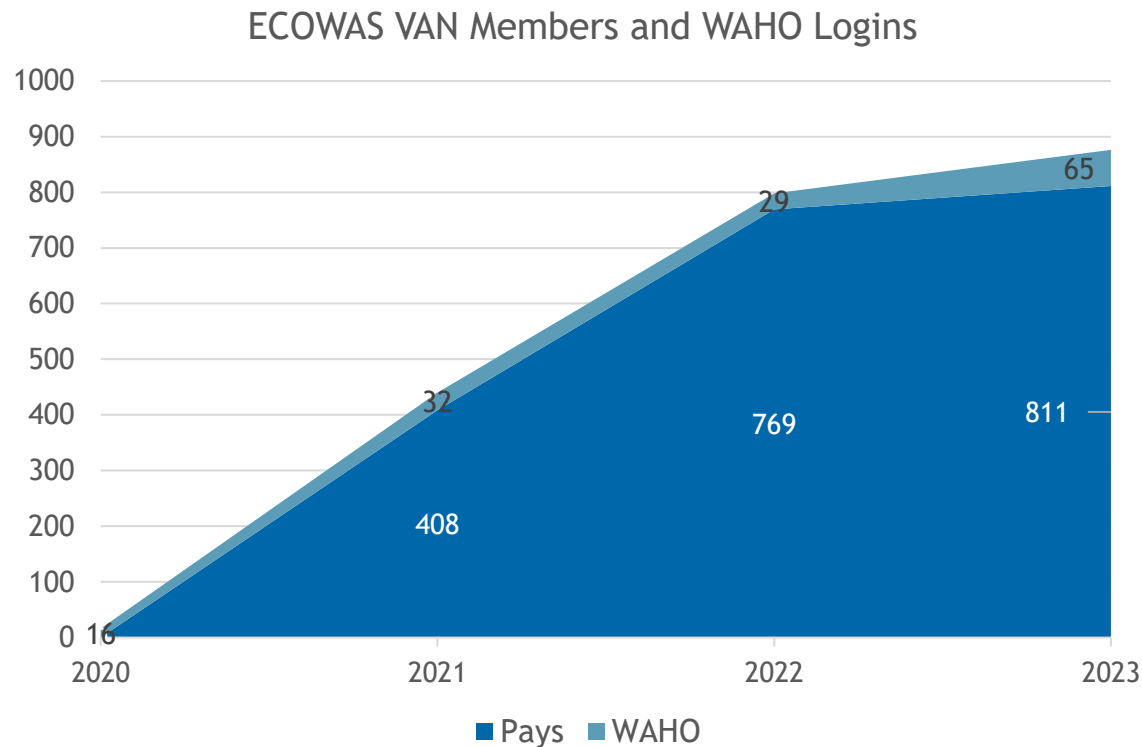
Category	2020	2021	2022
Procurer Mobilized Funds for New Orders	\$9.9m across 13 countries	\$26.3m across 28 countries	\$33.3m across 26 countries
Cost Savings from Cancelled/Postponed Orders	\$628K from 2 cancelled orders; \$1.4m from 3 orders postponed	\$21k from 2 cancelled orders; 10 orders postponed	\$200k from 2 cancelled orders; 7 orders postponed
Shortages Averted from Expedited Orders or Transfers	33 expedited orders across 17 countries	29 expedited orders and 17 transfers in 19 countries	24 expedited orders and 2 transfers in 14 countries

Over the last 3 years, the VAN helped procurers mobilize more than \$70 million in new orders for member countries, avoided waste by supporting \$4.67 million worth of cancelled and transferred orders, and helped expedite 86 orders to mitigate supply shortages.

Impact in Countries and the ECOWAS Region

« Grâce aux alertes, nous avons pu procéder à des ajustements de stocks lorsque l'envoi de 88 000 unités d'Etonogestrel a été retardé. Cette fonctionnalité du VAN (les alertes) a contribué à rassurer les acteurs de la chaîne nationale d'approvisionnement à travers la disponibilité de l'information en temps réelle. Ce qui permet d'opérer les ajustements nécessaires. »

- Niger Presentation at the WAHO EWS Meeting, January 2022



Category	2022 - % of Global Impact Related to ECOWAS Countries
Procurer Mobilized Funds for New Orders	36% of funding mobilized was for 12 countries in the region (\$12.1M)
Cost Savings from Cancelled/Postponed Orders	82% of funding saved was for a country in the region (\$164K); 3 orders postponed (2 countries)
Shortages Averted from Expedited Orders or Transfers	46% of orders expedited were for 7 countries in the region (11 orders); 2 transfers including one noted below. Based on VAN data and analysis, WAHO supported transfer of 50,000 doses of DMPA-IM from Niger to Togo to avert impending stockout.

In 2020, the Coordinated Supply Planning (CSP) Group and the Coordinated Assistance for Reproductive Health Supplies (CARhs) Group merged to become the Consensus Planning Group (CPG). Bringing together the functions of the former groups, CPG members collaborate at the global level to address family planning commodity stock imbalances, while also planning ahead to prevent those imbalances from occurring at all. Housed under the Global Family Planning Visibility & Analytics Network (VAN), the CPG uses data shared within the VAN to improve coordinated supply planning and react swiftly to urgent supply needs.

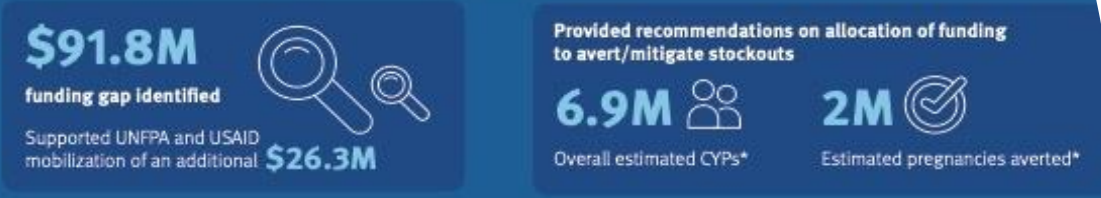
From disruption to impact: COVID-19

Pandemic caused disruptions to both manufacturer committed capacities and logistics

Country shelves remained stocked, thanks to greater supply chain visibility via the VAN and the ability to maximize opportunities:

- Inventory rebalancing:
 - transfers between & within countries,
- Schedule rebalancing
- Expedited shipments
- 2021: Supported 29 expedited shipments & 17 transfers valued at over \$10m

1 PROCUREMENT FUNDING GAP ANALYSIS FOR 48 COUNTRIES



2 CONTINUOUS MONITORING OF SUPPLY CHAIN DATA FOR 37 COUNTRIES



3 REVIEWED 2022 PROCUREMENT FUNDING REQUESTS TO UNFPA TO SUPPORT EFFECTIVE USE OF FUNDING RF

For more information



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RHSC Global FP VAN website: <https://www.rhsupplies.org/gfpvan>



Panel/Discussion

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VAN @ GMM

- Thursday, 2 more VAN parallel sessions: Getting the most value from VAN membership, and Revolutionizing RH supply chain funding
- Visit us at the VAN Innovation Expo booth!

