



Advocacy & Accountability Working Group

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Introduction to A&A WG

The Advocacy and Accountability Working Group (A&A WG) contributes to the health and well-being of all individuals by ensuring they have access to RH commodities they want when they need them. The group links global and country level technical advocacy, in the areas of policy, finance and programs, to create an environment favorable to scaling up equitable access to a wide range of affordable and high quality RH commodities.

A&A WG Objectives

- The AAWG will deliver technical advocacy at the global, regional and national level to advocate for enabling policy environment, strengthen financial commitments and ensure efficient and effective program implementation, to enhance equity, availability, quality and choice to a wide range of affordable and high quality RH commodities.
- The AAWG will monitor and hold stakeholders at global and country level to account for the delivery of commitments made to increase access to a range of high quality RH supplies.
- The AAWG will provide a hub for sharing best practices, intelligence, developing strategy, linking global and southern advocates and linking technical experts with activists to spearhead and sustain advocacy on the RH commodity agenda.

Agenda for today

09:00 - 09:30	Welcome, introductions and objectives of the meeting (Halima Shariff & Sarah Shaw)
09:30 - 09:50	SSWG emerging issues and potential areas of future collaboration (Ellen Tompsett)
09:50 - 10:10	Advocacy opportunities in Take Stock (Brian McKenna)
10:10 - 10:30	Emerging issues from the three Caucuses and potential areas of future collaboration (GEMS: Lester Chinery & Petra Procter, Maternal Health: Erin Seaver, NURHT: Sarah Rich & Saskia Husken)
10:30 - 11:00	Coffee break
11:00 - 11:30	The Global Architecture, what opportunities does it offer us? (Sarah Rich, Lou Compernelle & Alison Marshall)
11:30 - 12:30	Group Discussion on opportunities and priorities for next year (Moderation: Beth Fredrick)
12:30 - 13:30	Lunch
13:30 - 14:30	A&A member presentations
14:30 - 15:00	Group discussion on how member's work can enable advocacy work with the A&AWG and vice versa (Moderation: Nana Amma Oforiwaa Sam)
15:00 - 15:30	Coffee break
15:30 - 16:45	MDAWG/A&AWG joint member meeting
16:45 - 17:00	Amplify Change (John Worley)
17:00 - 17:10	Reflection on the day (Jen Daves - TBC)
17:10 - 17:15	Closing (Halima Shariff & Sarah Shaw)

Objectives of the meeting

- A shared understanding of how the AAWG can build on past success and harness current areas of intersection with other implementing mechanisms of the RHSC to ensure RH Supplies are at the centre of the implementation of the SDGs.
- Identification of advocacy opportunities to inform 3-4 SMART objectives for the 2016 work of the AAWG at the global and national level.
- Increased appreciation of areas of intersection with other working groups/initiatives within the Coalition, and within other aspects of the day to day work of the member agencies of the RHSC, and how the expertise and reach of the RHSC can be leveraged to add value to the work of its members.