

## TOP STORY



## 2019 Family Planning Market Report now available

Analysis from the newly published [2019 Family Planning Market Report](#) shows an increase in market value from 2017 to 2018, though not to the historical levels seen prior to 2016. Notably, CYPs shipped of IUDs increased significantly in 2018 from a historic low in 2017, returning to levels seen over the 2014 to 2016 period. Jointly produced by the Clinton Health Access Initiative and the Reproductive Health Supplies Coalition, this fifth edition of the report continues to provide the most comprehensive and reliable view into the public—and social—sector market for contraceptives across the 69 FP2020

focus countries. [A webinar on the 28th of January 2020 at 10-11 EST](#) will discuss the report's findings.

## IN THE NEWS

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### **Study explores new registration options for mifepristone**

With Innovation Fund support, Gynuity Health Projects has published an advocacy brief on the multiple reproductive health indications of mifepristone: early pregnancy loss, intrauterine fetal death, second trimester abortion, and cervical preparation. The authors argue that these alternative indications present untapped opportunities for securing national registrations and ultimately of increasing product access. The brief is available in [English](#) and [Spanish](#).

### **Access to blood pressure devices and AHTs found wanting**

With funding from the Innovation Fund, Gynuity Health Projects recently assessed the availability of blood pressure devices and antihypertensives (AHT) for the treatment of pregnancy-related disorders in India, Mexico and Uganda. The study uncovered limited quality assurance guidelines to support national procurement of blood pressure devices and found that differing global guidelines for the treatment of severe gestational hypertension result in implementation challenges at country level. For more information about the findings of this study, please contact Milka Dinev at [mdinev@rhsupplies.org](mailto:mdinev@rhsupplies.org).

### **Global VAN first to test new product catalog tool**

One of the greatest obstacles to effective management of product inventory and delivery systems is inconsistency and in particular, inconsistent nomenclature: different names for the same product and/or the same name for different products. And in a world where product descriptors and identifiers differ across hundreds of paper and digital systems, the risk of confusion is high. For that reason, key supply chain managers, including [Global FP VAN](#) members, assembled last month in Washington, DC, to learn about the Product Catalog Management Tool ([PCMT](#)), a user-friendly tool for consolidating, aligning and managing product catalogs. The Global VAN will be the first adopter of the PCMT. [Read more.](#)

## **AAWG Call-to-Action accessible to young readers in new blog**

At the recent ICPD25 Summit in Nairobi, the RHSC's Advocacy & Accountability Working Group issued a [Call to Action](#), prioritizing four actions to help ensure access to contraceptive supplies by women and girls. Now, a [new blog](#) by Knowledge SUCCESS aims to make the call to action accessible to readers as young as 13. It offers additional resources on the subject, explains key terminology, sheds light on persistent unmet need, makes a case for family planning being a smart investment, and explains access issues.

## **NEW MEMBERS**

[Research Triangle Institute \(RTI\) International](#) is a US-based nonprofit research institute seeking to address critical world problems using science-based solutions. RTI leads the USAID-funded ReachHealth project in the Philippines that helps Philippine communities reduce unmet needs for FP services and decrease teen pregnancy and newborn morbidity and mortality.

## **IN THE CALENDAR**

[Webinar: What Women Want: How women's and girls' voices can drive supplies advocacy](#)

**21 January**

Online

[Webinar: Family Planning Market Report 2019](#)

**28 January**

Online

SSWG in-person meeting

**28-29 January**

Washington, D.C.

Safe Abortion Supplies workstream teleconference

**29 January**

Online

[Inter-Agency Working Group \(IAWG\) on Reproductive Health in Crises](#)

**17-21 February**

Bangkok, Thailand

China Reproductive Health Industry Association Expo

**18-22 June**

Jinan City, China

[International Conference on Family Planning 2021](#)

**1-4 February 2021**

Pattaya City, Thailand



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