ICFP 2016 IBP TRACK: KEY ISSUES IN SCALING UP WHAT WORKS IN FAMILY PLANNING

5 Interactive Sessions focusing on Effective/High Impact Practices, Scale-up and Partnerships

The IBP Initiative is leading 5 interactive sessions to provide an overview of evidence based practices that address common challenges in FP programming, share examples of scale up at a country level, and highlight the role of partnerships to support scale up efforts. IBP members from regional and country counterparts will be present in all sessions, bringing field perspectives to the deliberations. The sessions will enable sharing of lessons learned on using practical, tested programmatic tools and approaches to take knowledge and experience to action.

SESSION ONE: How can we scale up effective approaches for increasing FP access to underserved populations?
Poor, rural and marginalized populations face multiple barriers to accessing contraception, with resulting inequities in contraceptive use and health outcomes in many countries. Various effective approaches have been identified for improving FP access for these underserved populations, including reduction of financial barriers to access, mobile outreach, community-based distribution, service integration, and task-sharing. However, few of these approaches have been implemented at scale. This session will focus on scale-up of these effective approaches for reaching underserved populations. Participants will share experiences of barriers to scale-up, learn from countries across regions who are working on scale-up of effective approaches to reach the underserved, and identify key ‘success factors’ for scale-up.

Time: January 26, 2016 10:30am to 11:50am  
Session Organizers: Marie Stopes International & Pathfinder International

SESSION TWO: No Missed Opportunity: The Beauty of Integration and Successful Scale-up Experience
Global evidence suggests that integrating FP with other health services can increase access to FP services for women with unmet need, particularly those who are vulnerable, such as HIV positive or postpartum women. Integration can produce positive outcomes and strengthen FP and the service(s) being integrated. Taking PPFP as an example, it is estimated that there are 130 million births in the world per year, that is, 130 million new opportunities each year for integrating postnatal care, immunization, growth monitoring and family planning. PPFP alone has a huge impact on maternal and newborn survival and can optimize health system delivery.

Time: January 26, 2016 12:00pm to 1:20pm  
Session organizers: FHI360, EngenderHealth & Jhpiego

SESSION THREE: Within our Reach: The Private Sector’s Role in reaching 120 million New Users by 2020
FP This session will discuss the role of the private sector related to supply, demand, and the enabling environment in family planning service delivery including issues and challenges. Session organizers will present experiences and lessons learned related to scaling up high impact practices in private sector settings as well as the potential of the private sector to support government-led scale up efforts. Participants will identify partnership strategies that maximize impact and effectiveness of FP high impact practices for private sector engagement and discuss innovations in private sector engagement.

Time: January 26, 2016 2:30pm to 3:50pm  
Location: Kintamani 3  
Session Organizers: Abt Associates & EngenderHealth

SESSION FOUR: Overcoming Community members Low Demand for Contraception Caused by Myths, Misinformation and Cultural Barriers
In many countries, cultural norms and related myths and misconceptions significantly influence contraceptive uptake. Over the last 30 years, health professionals have worked to develop innovative ways to identify and address norms restricting access, influencing myths and misconceptions and suppressing demand for contraceptives. This has resulted in a wide variety of strategies to increase contraceptive uptake that integrate dynamic community outreach programs, entertainment and mass media/technology, and innovative print materials. Today, the program implementation landscape requires greater levels of partnership and the continued need to scale-up effective and affordable activities. This session will explore the role myths and misconceptions play in scaling-up interventions and how partnerships can be used to overcome some of those challenges at multiple levels of the health system.

Time: January 26, 2016 4:20pm to 5:40pm  
Session Organizers: Institute for Reproductive Health, Georgetown University & Population Media Center

SESSION FIVE: Reaching Young People with Contraceptive Information and Services
Today’s generation of young people is the largest in history: there are 1.8 billion people between the ages of 10 and 24 on the planet. In many countries, more than half of the population is under age 25. Unfortunately many young people do not have access to the critical sexual and reproductive health information and services required to stay healthy and avoid unintended pregnancy. Fulfilling the unmet need for contraceptives among adolescents alone could prevent an estimated 7.4 million unintended pregnancies annually. Not only is the ability to control one’s fertility a right, but also early, unintended, and mistimed pregnancies create physical and social risks for many adolescent girls – affecting their health outcomes and those of their children. Young women who avoid unintended pregnancy are more likely to stay in school; participate in the work force; and have healthier, better-educated children than their peers who begin childbearing in adolescence. Task shifting/sharing; 2) provide resources to participants to implement task shifting/sharing; 3) provide guidance on scaling up task shifting/sharing strategies.

Time: January 27, 2016 10:30am to 11:50am  
Location: Kintamani 3  
Session Organizers: FHI 360 & Pathfinder International
10 Workshops focusing on Effective Practices, Advocacy, Strategic Decision Making and Scale-up

1. Scaling up better health practices and making improvements last: The pathway to realizing FP2020 goals
Participants in this workshop will gain hands-on experience in applying proven tools for effective scale up, and engage in discussions on the principles of change and how to apply them in order to sustainably scale up effective interventions in their programs. Case experiences in scaling up innovations related to urban health, youth-friendly family planning will demonstrate concrete examples of how the tools have been used.

Time: January 26, 2016 10:30am to 11:50am  Location: Uluwatu 2
Workshop Organizers: ExpandNet, Institute for Reproductive Health & MSH

2. Medical eligibility criteria for contraceptive use, 5th edition – optimizing the implementation of new recommendations
Since 1996, WHO’s Medical eligibility criteria for contraceptive use (MEC) serves as the global reference for family planning providers worldwide. It is essential that all family planning programs and providers are able to apply MEC recommendations within their settings. During this session, key changes within the recently released fifth edition of the MEC will be highlighted along with results from a global review and focused case study of the use of WHO guidance and tools.

Time: January 26, 2016 12:00pm to 1:20pm  Location: Uluwatu 2
Workshop Organizers: Jhpiego & WHO/RHR

3. High Impact Practices in Action: Explore Elements of Success through Sharing
High Impact Practices (HIPs) are effective service delivery or systems interventions that when scaled up and institutionalized will maximize investments in a comprehensive family planning strategy. The session aims to build capacity on how to implement HIPs in different country contexts by supporting knowledge sharing and lessons learned including elements of success and tips for implementation.

Time: January 26, 2016 2:30pm to 3:50pm  Location: Uluwatu 2
Workshop Organizers: Jhpiego & USAID

4. Advocacy and Accountability Strategies: lessons, tools and models from the south for accelerated FP International Best Practices scale up advocacy targeting Asia and Africa
This session will diffuse winning advocacy models and tools, facilitate networking of advocates and discuss key issues useful for sharpening advocacy agenda and approaches post Indonesia ICFP meeting. The workshop will promote South to South engagement of advocates for broader stakeholder reach, tools and experience sharing, especially replicable winning strategies.

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Workshop Organizers: IBP, Jhpiego, PRB Africa Region, JHU-CCP & Palladium

5. Design a family planning and reproductive health (FP/RH) Training: The Training Resource Package
This interactive workshop is intended for participants who need evidence based Family Planning Reproductive Health resource materials, including pre-service educators, in-service trainers, program managers, policy makers and researchers. Participants will be exposed to evidence based family planning/reproductive health resources with a focus on the Training Resource Package.

Time: January 27, 2016 10:30am to 11:50am  Location: Uluwatu 2
Workshop Organizers: IntraHealth, WHO, Pathfinder, EngenderHealth & IRH Georgetown

6. Strategic Planning Tools for Adolescent and Youth Sexual and Reproductive Health
Many SRH organizations, either being formed or being restructured may not be aware of the tools that exist for Strategic Planning in Adolescent/Youth Family Planning and Sexual and Reproductive Health. To avoid duplication of efforts, and promote adoption of effective practices, this session will disseminate strategic planning tools already developed and tested on the ground by IBP member organizations and partners.

Time: January 27, 2016 12:00pm to 1:20pm  Location: Uluwatu 2
Workshop Organizers: PHI, FHI 360, Pathfinder, Jhpiego, EngenderHealth & WHO

7. Strategic Decision-Making for more effective FP programming
Despite renewed commitment to family planning and reproductive health programs, critical barriers to contraceptive use remain in many countries. This interactive workshop will engage participants in conducting a root cause analysis in order to determine and prioritize barriers to contraceptive use. Participants will prioritize strategies for family planning programming based on feasibility and impact analyses using a number of case studies from various countries.

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Workshop Organizers: FHI 360, Palladium and USAID

8. Understanding FP within Larger Global Initiatives in the Post-2015
The global FP landscape has changed drastically in the past few years. New initiatives such as FP2020, the Global Financing Facility, PMNCH, EPCMD and the recently launched Sustainable Development Goals will affect how FP programs move forward in coming years. IBP partners have a role to play by prioritizing and implementing interventions with the highest impact to achieve FP and global health goals.

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Workshop Organizers: IntraHealth & USAID

9. Implementing and Monitoring Human Rights Approaches in SRH Programming
The international community’s commitment to expanding access to voluntary FP under FP2020 is founded on the fundamental right of individuals to decide, freely and for themselves, whether, when, and how many children to have. FP2020’s Rights and Empowerment working group has defined 10 rights-based FP principles that should be integrated into FP programs and policies to protect individuals’ human rights and put their needs, desires, and preferences at the center.

Time: January 28, 2016 10:30am to 11:50am  Location: Uluwatu 2
Workshop Organizers: EngenderHealth & Population Council

10. Thinking Differently about Documentation: How to Document the Implementation of Effective Family Planning Practices
Documenting the evidence base for, and experiences in, the implementation of family planning practices/interventions is important as we continue to advance the field, ensure that countries are expanding upon their own, as well as others’ success. Learn from seasoned documentation experts from several countries about their experiences and get hands-on advice and tools you can use to document the implementation of your FP programs in a more focused and purposeful way.

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Workshop Organizers: JHU-CCP, Pathfinder, WHO & USAID