



PROPEL Health: Ghana

Project Overview

Promoting Results and Outcomes through Policy and Economic Levers (PROPEL) Health is a five-year U.S. Agency for International Development-funded project with the overarching objective of improving country environments to better facilitate access to equitable and sustainable health services. The broad project strategy is centered around policy, financing, governance, and the use of evidence-based approaches.

In Ghana, there is a strong interest in ensuring equitable and timely access to quality family planning information, products, and services. PROPEL Health is supporting the government, local civil society organizations, and research institutions to strengthen access to and provision of family planning, sexual and reproductive health, and other primary healthcare services through policy, financing,

and resource mobilization to meet the country's FP2030 commitments. The project is focused on collaborating with local actors in the design and implementation of interventions, engaging young people, strengthening the capacity of organizations to sustain and lead activities beyond the life of the project, and ensuring local ownership.

Our Work

Strengthen Ghana Health Services

PROPEL Health is supporting Ghana Health Services in reaching the government of Ghana's FP2030 goals, along with other national priorities, to improve family planning services, supplies, and information. This involves supporting Ghana Health Services and other stakeholders to develop and implement a new 2024–2030 family planning costing implementation plan. Project activities include:

- Building a contraceptive commodities projection tool to support Ghana Health Services and the national family planning program to project the number and cost of contraceptives Ghana needs through 2030
- Obtaining buy-in and securing resources for the development of the costed implementation plan (CIP)
- Conducting a situational analysis, formulating a technical strategy, and estimating costs, resource gaps, and iterations for the CIP
- Finalizing institutional arrangements for execution and securing final approval to launch the CIP
- Providing effective stewardship for execution of the CIP
- Designing and implementing CIP performance monitoring mechanisms and conducting continuous resource mobilization

Support increased domestic resources for access to family planning

Due to the increase in women entering their reproductive years and Ghana's FP2030 goals of increasing access to and use of quality family planning services, the country is facing a significant and growing demand for family planning commodities. With donor support for commodity procurement stagnant or declining, there is a need to increase domestic resources for these commodities and review current insurance benefits. PROPEL Health is:

- Supporting the government to execute its domestic resource mobilization commitments and explore the prospects of mobilizing additional family planning

funding from high-net-worth individuals and private businesses in Ghana

- Supporting the National Health Insurance Authority to implement and review its family planning benefits packages

Engage civil society organizations and youth to advocate for increased family planning and reproductive health budgets

The government of Ghana recognizes that the participation and engagement of young people (10–29 years of age)—who comprise more than one-third of the overall population—is crucial to the country's development. Building on past youth mobilization efforts, PROPEL Health is training youth to engage in budgeting processes, with a particular focus on family planning and sexual and reproductive health spending. Activities include:

- Identifying and strengthening the capacity of a youth-focused civil society organization to lead and mobilize youth engagement in budget advocacy for family planning and sexual and reproductive health
- Mobilizing and training young people to participate in national and subnational budgeting processes

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