

UNFPA Management Response to Country Program 2012-2016 Evaluation

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EVALUATION RECOMMENDATION(S) AND PROPOSED ACTION POINT(S)

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Recommendation No. 1	UNFPA needs to devote a much greater attention (and a greater proportion of its budget) to support a national FP strategy in the next program cycle that addresses key gaps in supply, availability of competent staff and community level demand creation.	Priority: High [high, medium or low]
	1.1 UNFPA KR need to focus on FP advocacy to create a more favorable environment for motivating individuals and groups to change their behavior on FP. 1.2 UNFPA KR need to strengthen partnerships with parliamentarians, non-governmental organizations including public-private partnerships to leverage human and financial resources to achieve universal access to family planning. 1.3 UNFPA KR and GKR MoH need to finalize a plan for uninterrupted supply for specific methods, with or without GKR funds, as soon as possible and not later than December 2016. 1.4 UNFPA needs to provide assistance to the MoH to ensure that existing mechanisms for ensuring access to contraceptives are fully functional. 1.5 UNFPA KR should pay more attention to practical aspects of the FP training to ensure competency-based in service training for all healthcare providers involved in providing FP services, including postgraduate medical education. 1.6 UNFPA KR should contribute to the capacity development of Midwifery Association to improve and sustain quality of care on all levels and to strengthen midwifery regulation mechanisms to permit an expanded role for midwives in FP service delivery. 1.7 UNFPA KR needs to work with the MoH to invest in improved monitoring and developing and introduction of a supportive supervision system in FP.	
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1.1	The country office will advocate for better policies and increased funding for family planning. CO will develop comprehensive, policy-level action plan with PD committee of the parliament and implement it. UNFPA KR will make strong efforts to support an initiative to apply the Total Marketing Approach and market segmentation analysis to help expand availability of contraceptives through the private sector.	01/01/2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
1.2	The country office and the MoH will develop a plan for an uninterrupted supply for specific methods	31/05/2017	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing		In March 2017 UNFPA, Aga-Khan Foundation, GIZ and ICM conducted Gap analysis workshop with MOH the Kyrgyz	

	to increase coverage with family planning services, with or without GKR funds by May 2017. The country office will provide assistance to the MoH to ensure that existing mechanisms for ensuring access to contraceptives are fully functional.							Midwifery Association, higher educational institutions, international organizations and NGOs in Kyrgyzstan. Three priority areas were identified for strengthening midwifery services: midwifery education, regulation and quality of care and action plan for regulation was developed for short term period 3 – 5 years	
1.3	The country office will strengthen capacity of healthcare providers on practical skills for IUD insertion and removal.	31/12/2018	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
1.4	The country office will help the Ministry of Health and Midwifery Association to develop regulatory framework to enable midwives provide family planning services.	31/12/2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
1.5	The country office will provide a technical assistance to develop tool on monitoring and	31/12/2018	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

	supportive supervision on FP.								
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Recommendation No. 2	UNFPA KR should consolidate and expand the work with parliamentarians and resource experts in policy.					Priority: High [high, medium or low]			
	UNFPA KR should consolidate and expand the work with parliamentarians and resource experts in policy. UNFPA KR needs to invest resources to consolidate and expand its policy advocacy efforts and competencies to maintain a favorable legal climate for SRH, including HIV, youth and gender activities. As part of this effort, UNFPA KR should make more investments in providing advisory services and technical expertise in systematic analysis/assessment of existing strategic documents (e.g. Den Sooluk), Perinatal care programs, RH strategy) as well as in drafting of new strategic documents								
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2.1	The country office will continue working with members of the Parliament and	31/12/2021	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			

	advocate for favorable environment for SRH, Gender equality and youth in the country.								
2.2	The country office will continue providing advisory services to implementation of national healthcare reforms program “Den Sooluk”	31/12/2018	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			
2.3	The country office will provide advisory services to develop the state program on family and children.	31/03/2017	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing		At the moment, the Complex National state program on family and children passing public hearing	

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Recommendation No. 3	The next UNFPA KR program cycle needs to have a strategic vision that sets short and long-term goals based on needs assessments that clearly define denominators for key program objectives.	Priority: High [high, medium or low]
	The next UNFPA KR program cycle needs to have a strategic vision that sets short and long-term goals based on needs assessments that clearly define denominators for key program objectives. For example, needs assessment is needed to estimate the number of FP service delivery points in each rayon that do not have any HPs (midwives, family doctors, OB/GYNs) with adequate competency-based skills for C-section, safe abortion, or IUD insertion. This estimate would provide the basis for setting a meaningful output target as to the number of persons trained to achieve a minimum proportion of health providers who have adequate competence to provide MNB and FP services.	
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3.1	The country office will develop adequate indicators for the outputs of the next country program 2018-2022.	28/02/2017	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 4	Joint programs with other UN agencies					Priority: High [high, medium or low] High			
	UNFPA KR should explore all possible avenues for joint program activities with other UNCT agencies, such as UNICEF, WHO, UN Women and other development and civil society partners in support of GKR program priorities. Special consideration should be given to major joint program initiatives at the community level that address common objectives in MNBH and FP.								
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4.1	The country office will develop joint programs with UN agencies and other international	01/01/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			

	organizations in the areas of SRH, gender equality, youth and demographic data.								
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Recommendation No. 5	Collaboration with religious leaders					Priority: High [high, medium or low]			
	UNFPA KR should continue to work with religious leaders in promoting ICPD issues and UNFPA mandates in the country.								
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5.1	The country office will continue working with religious leaders to introduce healthy lifestyle subject in Madrasah for religious youth.	31/12/2021	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
5.2	The country office will continue with religious leaders to promote SRH issues	31/12/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

	in the communities of the country.								
5.3	The country office will continue working with religious leaders to promote issue of gender equality in the communities of the country.	31/12/2021	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 6		Support to evidence based policy formulation				Priority: High [high, medium or low]			
		UNFPA KR should continue to support evidence based policy formulation (research, assessments, monitoring) in all four areas of UNFPA mandate in the next program cycle.							
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6.1	The country office will support researches, assessments and monitoring in the area of SRH in the country to support	31/12/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

	evidence based policy decision making in the area of SRH.								
6.2	The country office will support researches, assessments and monitoring in the area of gender equality in the country to support evidence based policy decision making in the area of gender equality	31/12/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			
6.3	The country office will support researches, assessments and monitoring in the area of youth in the country to support evidence based policy decision making in the area of youth.	31/12/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 7	Strengthen capacity of health care providers aimed at improving a quality of maternal and newborn services	Priority: [high, medium or low]
	UNFPA should continue support for CEMD, NMCR, EmOC and EPC trainings with supportive supervision with other UN Agencies and other development and civil society organizations in all oblasts. The number of oblasts served will depend on the availability of funds.	
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7.1	The country office will provide a technical support for EmOC and EPC trainings with supportive supervision with development partners and civil society organizations	31/12/2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
7.2.	UNFPA will support to develop the second report of the Confidential Enquiry into Maternal Death (CEMD) for 2014-2015 in 2017. The CO will also continue to support implementation of the CEMD in the country, the Near Miss Cases Review (NMCR) in all oblasts and the implementation of recommendations of the first national CEMD report.	31/12/2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing		The second Confidential Enquiries into maternal death will present in the end of 2017	

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Recommendation No. 8	Strengthen HIV prevention programs with key populations					Priority: High [high, medium or low]			
	UNFPA KR should continue to support key populations as part of its HIV prevention programs.								
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8.1	Integrate HIV and SRH services to be provided to key populations at higher risk to HIV into all healthcare levels, with focus on primary healthcare level.	31 December, 2022	Kyrgyzstan Country Office	Cholpona Egeshova egeshova@unfpa.org		Ongoing		Linkages of HIV and SRH services to be provided to key populations, including people living with HIV strengthened through capacity building of 109 healthcare providers from PHC in the South and North of the country	
	Roll-out and implementation of SWIT, MSMIT, DUIT and	31 December, 2022	Kyrgyzstan Country Office	Cholpona Egeshova egeshova@unfpa.org		Ongoing		MSMIT was rolled-out in the country among both 25 community members and 18 stakeholders	

	TRANSIT tools at the country level with focus on community empowerment and meaningful participation							community members and 18 stakeholders.	
	Addressing punitive laws and practices against key populations at higher risk to HIV to ensure access to HIV and SRH services	31 December, 2022	Kyrgyzstan Country Office	Cholpona Egeshova egeshova@unfpa.org		Ongoing		Under roll-out of MSMIT and SWIT tools, key stakeholders have been involved into sensitization trainings	
	Addressing HIV and SRH needs of young key populations at higher risk to HIV with focus on addressing sexual transmission of HIV	31 December, 2022	Kyrgyzstan Country Office	Cholpona Egeshova egeshova@unfpa.org		Ongoing		Young key populations have been included into the State Program on HIV/AIDS for 2017-21	

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Recommendation No. 9	MISP integrated into the IACP	Priority: [high, medium or low]
	UNFPA KR should consolidate this work by ensuring that contingency plans are well rehearsed and the procedures to get access MISP commodities are fully worked out and pre-tested	
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9.1.	The country office will ensure integration of MISP into inter-agency contingency plan.	31/12/2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Nurgul Smankulova, smankulova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 10		Integration of Healthy life style curriculum in vocational schools					Priority: [high, medium or low]		
		UNFPA KR should invest efforts to support, monitor and evaluation of implementation of HLS in Vocational Education System, while working to encourage HLS to be a required curriculum for secondary schools.							
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10.1	Continue to provide technical assistance to the State agency on vocational education in further integration of HLS with focus on youth with disabilities, and establish monitoring and mentoring systems to ensure quality of HLS education.	December 31, 2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
10.2	Together with national partners, evaluate implementation of HLS programs for further development of appropriate measures and interventions.	December 31, 2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 11	Promote innovative approaches to reach out to youth	Priority: [high, medium or low]
	The country office should promote innovative approaches to reach out to youth for in the next program cycle. This might include exploring ways to support peer-to-peer counselling in rural areas, or given the enthusiasm for the Youth Forum Theatre, this might include exploring the possibility of obtaining commercial sponsors to fund additional episodes on national television.	
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11.1	Conduct specialized events for youth and youth-led organizations to discuss innovations in reaching adolescents and youth on healthy life style, including SRH, life-skills based education, leadership and civic engagement.	December 31, 2019	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
11.2	Continue to support existing and new youth platforms at national and local levels.	December 31, 2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
11.3	Implement UNFPA youth programs through identified innovative approaches and methodologies with young people.	December 31, 2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 12	Integration of YFHS					Priority: [high, medium or low]			
	UNFPA KR needs to continue work with the MoH and develop mechanisms to ensure sustainability of YFHS at the PHC level.								
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12.1	Continue to support and provide technical assistance to the MoH in developing standards on YFHS, which are integrated into the public service standards, and support introduction of these standards among key stakeholders.	December 31, 2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
12.2	Provide technical assistance to the MoH in establishing monitoring and mentoring systems for improvement of quality of YFHS at PHC level.	December 31, 2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

12.3	Support MoH in building inter-ministerial and inter-sectoral cooperation on integration and sustainability of YFHS at PHC level.	December 31, 2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			
12.4	Create different communication and dialogue platforms for promotion of adolescents and youth SRH issues among decision makers, key stakeholders, allies and youth.	December 31, 2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Asel Turgunova, turgunova@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 13	Multi-sectoral response to GBV in emergency				Priority: High [high, medium or low]	
	13.1 UNFPA KR should continue lobbying for the endorsement of the statute on multi-sectoral coordination body in response to GBV in emergency					
	13.2 Continue strengthening the multi-sectoral coordination in prevention and response to domestic violence (using the experience of pilot projects in Bishkek, Osh and Djalalabad) early marriages and bride kidnapping					
	13.3 Continue strengthening sectoral based/administrative data collection mechanisms on GBV/VAW and girls					
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13.1	The country office will continue advocating for adoption of GBV SOP in humanitarian settings in the country	31/12/2017	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			
31.2	The country office will introduce SOPs for healthcare and police to strengthen the multi-sectoral coordination and response to domestic violence	31/12/2017	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			
13.3	The country office will continue strengthening sectoral based/administrative data collection mechanisms on GBV/VAW and girls	31/12/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 14	Men's and boys' involvement	Priority: High [high, medium or low]

		The country office needs to continue developing programs on men’s and boys’ involvement in promoting gender equality and promoting SRH in the next program cycle.							
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14.1	The country office will replicate experience of conducting “happy fatherhood” campaign of Talas region to other regions of the country	12/31/2019	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			
14.2	The country office will support introduction of module on men and boys involvement in promoting gender equality in schools of vocational education in the country	30/06/202	Kyrgyzstan country office	Meder Omurzakov, omurzakov@unfpa.org		ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 15		Capacity-building and institutionalization of demographic projections				Priority: High [high, medium or low]			
		15.1 UNFPA KR should prioritize support for this capacity building to maintain and deepen expertise on demographic projections within the MoEc and related agencies. Consolidate and expand capacity building for demographic projections to shore up favourable trends toward long-term national expertise on demographic projections and population and development. 15.2 UNFPA KR should assess the feasibility for institutionalizing academic excellence in demographic projections within Bishkek universities and advocate further use of demographic projections results in policy-making.							
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15.1	To advocate with relevant decision-makers institutionalization of demographic projections and identification of a key responsible body	30/06/2018	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Completed			National Institute of Strategic Research has been identified as a key responsible body for demographic projections.
15.2	To meet with potential key academic institutions to explore their interest and capacity in incorporating demographic projections in their curriculum.	30/09/2017	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Ongoing			

15.3	To advocate use of demographic projections results which should be available by end of 2016.	31/12/2017	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Ongoing			
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Recommendation No. 16		Advocacy of DHS 2022				Priority: High [high, medium or low]			
		UNFPA RH should proactively assess the feasibility of replicating the next KR DHS by 2022 in the absence of USAID support.							
Management Response to Recommendation acceptance status [Accepted/Partially Accepted/Rejected]				Accepted					
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16.1	To discuss with USAID and other interested partner agencies the possibility of conducting DHS in 2022.	30/09/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 17	Data collection and policy activities related to the needs of the elderly.	Priority: Medium [high, medium or low]
	UNFPA KR should consider ongoing support to KR NGOs that support advocacy, data collection and policy activities related to the special needs of the elderly in KR. Please note: This recommendation should not be interpreted to exclude work to be done on filling data gaps in other areas such as on youth, women, GBV and advocacy of use of such data for decision-making. The work on elderly should be integrated to the extent feasible within UNFPA CO ongoing work on advocacy based on results of demographic projections, Population Registry, youth and GBV data, sex and age disaggregated data in line with the SDGs.	

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17.1	To explore possibility of support to NGOs that support advocacy, data collection and policy activities related to the special needs of the elderly in KR	31/12/2021	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Ongoing			
17.2	Country Office will seek opportunities to support advocacy, data collection and policy activities related to ageing issues	30/06/2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Ongoing			

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Recommendation No. 18	Support for Population and Housing Census 2020.	Priority: High [high, medium or low]
	UNFPA KR should maintain its role as a key demographic technical resource for the NSC by supporting preparations for the next census that will take place in 2020	

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18.1	UNFPA will provide support to National Statistics Office in resource mobilization efforts for Population and Housing Census in 2020.	31/01/2020	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Ongoing			
18.1	UNFPA will provide technical support to National Statistics Office in conducting and analyzing results of Population and Housing Census 2020	30/06/2022	Kyrgyzstan country office	Tolgonai Berdikeyeva berdikeyeva@unfpa.org		Ongoing			