

Strengthening Analysis and Evidence for Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health and Nutrition (RMNCAH&N)

**Saly, Senegal
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Workshop Goal

To strengthen the analytic capacity of the participants in reproductive maternal, new born, child and adolescent health data.

Specific Aims

- Advance analysis on RMNCH coverage and equity indicators at subnational and national level
- Build participants' capacity to interpret the key results that could yield in policies

Participants

36 participants representing analysts from Ministries of Health and public health institutions from:

- 15 West African Countries (Benin, Burkina Faso, Cabo Verde, Cote D'Ivoire, The Gambia, Ghana, Guinea, Guinea-Bissau, Liberia, Mali, Niger, Nigeria, Senegal, Sierra Leone, Togo)
- 5 Central African Countries (Cameroon, Central African Republic, Chad, Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo,

Key Partners and Facilitators

- West African Health Organization (WAHO)
- African Public Health Research Center (APHRC)
- World Health Organization / Health Data Collaborative
- UNICEF/WCARO
- UNFPA/WCARO
- Countdown to 2030 Secretariat (University of Manitoba)
- Countdown to 2030 Coverage Technical Working Group (Johns Hopkins University)
- Countdown to 2030 Equity Technical Workgroup (Universidade Federal de Pelotas)

Workshop Content

- Key features of Countdown 2030, workshop objectives and anticipated objectives at regional and country level
- Analysis of selected coverage indicators utilizing STATA or Stat Compiler
- Equity versus inequality, including a demonstration of WHO's Health Equity Assessment Toolkit ([HEAT Plus](#))
- Composite Coverage indicator
- Health facility data
- Maternal and child mortality indicators

During the group work representatives from the countries worked on their own country's data. Participants prepared and presented their own country data, including contextualizing the interpretation of the results by linking the coverage results to specific health service or program strengths or weaknesses.

Upon completion of the workshop, participants were asked to collect complementary health system facility data in preparation for a second workshop to be held in fall 2018 and contribution to initiative deliverables.