VITAL REGISTRATION AND STATISTICS
WITHIN THE TURKS AND CAICOS ISLANDS
OBJECTIVES

- Compare the core topics listed in the P&R with the TCI’s registration forms.

- Identify the major obstacles for achieving complete coverage of vital events registration and compiling Vital Statistics based on Civil Registration data.

- Efforts that have been made for the quality assessment.

- Strategies that should be adopted to achieve completeness and improve data quality.
CORE TOPICS

PRINCIPLES & RECOMMENDATIONS

- Characteristics of events
- Date of occurrence
- Date of registration
- Place of occurrence
- Place of registration
- Type of birth
- Attendant at birth

- Characteristics of the newborn
  - Sex
  - Weight

- Characteristics of the mother
  - Date of birth (Age)
  - Educational Attainment

- Turks & Caicos Certification of Birth
  - Characteristics of events
  - Date of occurrence
  - Place of occurrence
  - Type of birth
  - Attendant at birth

- Characteristics of the newborn
  - Sex
  - Weight

- Characteristics of the mother
  - Date of birth (Age)
  - Educational Attainment
CORE TOPICS

- **PRINCIPLES & RECOMMENDATIONS**
  - Characteristics of the mother
    - Marital Status
    - Place of usual residence
    - Place/Country of birth
    - Children ever born (alive)
    - Duration of residence in UP
    - Foetal deaths
    - Date of previous LB
    - Date of marriage
  - Characteristics of the father
    - Date of birth (Age)
    - Educational attainment
    - Place of usual residence

- **Turks & Caicos Certification of Birth**
  - Characteristics of the mother
    - Marital Status
    - Place of usual residence
    - Children ever born (alive)
  - Characteristics of the father
    - Date of birth (Age)
    - Place of usual Residence
CORE TOPICS

PRINCIPLES & RECOMMENDATIONS

Characteristics of the event
- Date of occurrence
- Date of registration
- Place of occurrence
- Place of registration
- Cause of death
- Certifier

Characteristics of the descendent
- Date of birth (Age)
- Sex
- Marital Status
- Place of usual residence
- Place of usual residence of the mother (<1)

Turks & Caicos Certification of Death

Characteristics of the event
- Date of occurrence
- Place of occurrence
- Cause of death

Characteristics of the descendent
- Date of birth (Age)
- Sex
CORE TOPICS

» PRINCIPLES & RECOMMENDATIONS

  Characteristics of the event
    Date of occurrence
    Date of registration
    Place of occurrence
    Place of registration

  Characteristics of the bride & groom
    Date of birth (Age)
    Place of usual residence

» Turks & Caicos Certification of Marriage

  Characteristics of the event
    Date of occurrence
    Place of occurrence

  Characteristics of the descendent
    Date of birth (Age)
    Place of usual residence
CORE TOPICS

PRINCIPLES & RECOMMENDATIONS

Characteristics of the event
Date of occurrence
Date of registration
Place of occurrence
Place of registration

Characteristics of divorcees
Date of birth (Age)
Date of marriage
Place of usual residence

Turks & Caicos Divorce Form

Characteristics of the event
Date of occurrence
Place of occurrence

Characteristics of divorcees
Date of birth (Age)
Date of marriage
Place of usual residence
MAJOR OBSTACLES

- Registration
  - Certification of Birth not being issued due to no payment resulting in children not being able to get registered on time.

- Compiling Vital Statistics
  - Information needed is not captured by the Registrar General’s Office.
  - Information is not received in a timely manner due to manpower issues.
QUALITY ASSESSMENT

Checks done during the collection, compilation and processing of data.

- Cross reference with various agencies.
  - E.g. National Epidemiology & Research Unit, National Insurance Board, Primary Health Care Unit.

- Codes are verified by third party

- Run a series of checks through frequency tables in SPSS.
STRATEGIES TO ACHIEVE COMPLETENESS

- Engage high level political figures - revise the civil registration ordinance
- Training of staff - Civil Registration Office and Department of Statistics
- Regular meetings to exchange views and problems
- Civil registration and vital statistics committees/MOUs
- Public forums to educate the public and get feedback from users
THE END

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION