Regional Action Framework on Civil Registration and Vital Statistics for Asia and the Pacific

Background

- Aims to accelerate efforts of Governments and development partners to realize the shared vision that:

  “By 2024, all people in Asia and the Pacific benefit from universal and responsive CRVS systems that facilitate the realization of their rights and support good governance, health and development”

- Developed through a consultative process under the leadership of the Regional Steering Group on CRVS

- Adopted at the Ministerial Conference on CRVS in November 2014
Main components

- Regional Action Framework contains
  - 3 Goals
  - 15 targets set individually by countries
  - 6 key principles
  - 7 action areas
  - Implementation Steps

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Universal civil registration

Accurate, complete and timely vital statistics
Goals

Universal civil registration of births, deaths and other vital events;

All individuals are provided with legal documentation of civil registration of births, deaths and other vital events, as necessary, to claim identity, civil status and ensuing rights.

Accurate, complete and timely vital statistics (including causes of death) are produced based on registration records and are disseminated.
### Targets: Goal 1

By 2024, at least ... per cent of births in the territory and jurisdiction in the given year are registered.\(^\text{20}\)

By 2024, at least ... per cent of children under 5 years old in the territory and jurisdiction have had their birth registered.

By 2024, at least ... per cent of all individuals in the territory and jurisdiction have had their birth registered.

By 2024, at least ... per cent of all deaths that take place in the territory and jurisdiction in the given year are registered.

By 2024, at least ... per cent of all deaths recorded by the health sector in the territory and jurisdiction in the given year have a medically certified cause of death recorded using the international form of the death certificate.
Targets: Goal 2

2A

By 2024, at least ... per cent of all births registered in the territory and jurisdiction are accompanied with the issuance of an official birth certificate that includes, as a minimum, the individual’s name, sex, date and place of birth, and name of parent(s) where known.

2B

By 2024, at least ... per cent of all deaths registered in the territory and jurisdiction in the given year are accompanied with the issuance of an official death certificate which includes, as a minimum, the deceased’s name, date of death, sex, and age.
Targets: Goal 3

3A
By ...(year), annual nationally representative statistics on births – disaggregated by age of mother, sex of child, geographic area and administrative subdivision – are produced from registration records or other valid administrative data sources.

3B
By ...(year), annual nationally representative statistics on deaths – disaggregated by age, sex, cause of death defined by ICD (latest version as appropriate), geographic area and administrative subdivision – are produced from registration records or other valid administrative data sources.

3C
By 2024, at least ... per cent of deaths occurring in health facilities or with the attention of a medical practitioner have an underlying cause of death code derived from the medical certificate according to the standards defined by ICD (latest version as appropriate).

3D
By 2024, the proportion of deaths coded to ill-defined codes will have been reduced by ... per cent compared with the baseline year.22
Targets: Goal 3

By 2024, at least ... per cent of deaths taking place outside of a health facility and without the attention of a medical practitioner have their underlying cause of death code determined through verbal autopsy in line with international standards.

By ...(year), key summary tabulations of vital statistics on births and deaths using registration records as the primary source, are made available in the public domain in electronic format annually, and within one calendar year.

By ...(year), key summary tabulations of vital statistics on causes of death using registration records as the primary source, are made available in the public domain in electronic format annually, and within two calendar years.

By ...(year), an accurate, complete and timely vital statistics report for the previous two years, using registration records as the primary source, is made available in the public domain.
Key Principles

- Countries take the lead
- A stepwise approach
- Flexibility and responsiveness
- Building on local expertise
- Consistency with international legal principles
- Coordination and alignment, including with PV-SAP
Action Areas

- Political commitment
- Public engagement and participation
- Coordination
- Policies, legislation and implementation of regulations
- Infrastructure and resources
- Operational procedures, practices and innovations
- Data quality, production, dissemination and use of vital statistics
Implementation steps

- National CRVS coordination mechanism
- Conduct a comprehensive assessment
- Set the national target value for each target
- Assess inequalities related to CRVS experienced by subgroups of the population, and, where appropriate, set national targets to address those inequalities
- Comprehensive multi-sectoral national CRVS strategy
- Assign a national focal point
- Report relevant information to the ESCAP secretariat
National Focal Points

One of the implementation steps of the Regional Action Framework

The Role includes

- liaising with the ESCAP secretariat to report and monitor progress in implementing the Regional Action Framework
- on behalf of all CRVS stakeholders in the country
- Crucial role in the implementation of the Regional Action Framework
Focal point nomination status

- 33 Countries have nominated focal points
- 19 still missing
- Main gaps are in North and Central Asia and the Pacific
- In some countries the Regional Steering Group member and National Focal Point is the same person
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Governance

Regional Steering Group:
- Provide regional oversight and guidance for implementation of the RAF
- Act as custodian for CRVS decade 2015 – 2024
- Facilitate synergies between RAF and other regional initiatives

At national level:
- Implementation will be overseen by the national CRVS coordination mechanism
Thank you!

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