



## Contraceptive Security Indicators Survey

# Leadership and Coordination

## National Contraceptive Security Committees

The leadership and coordination section of the survey recognizes that for contraceptive security (CS)/reproductive health commodity security (RHCS) to become a reality, stakeholders who are involved in contraceptive financing, procurement, and distribution must work together to promote sustainable, effective, and efficient service delivery and supply chain systems (Measure Evaluation, 2017). For instance, one of the indicators measures the existence of a national committee that works on contraceptive security, understanding that an active CS/RHCS committee at the national level can play an important technical and/or political role by coordinating stakeholders and showing country commitment towards sustained national CS/RHCS (Measure Evaluation, 2017).

## Key Roles and Functions

To fully capture the distinct practices and responsibilities undertaken by each country's national CS committee, the CSI survey prompts respondents to submit details on the key functions and roles their committees fulfill.

When amalgamated, the answers depict some common themes that reflect certain shared goals across national boundaries:

- Improve and expand access to family planning services and commodities
- Forecast, monitor, quantify, and analyze national contraceptive commodity needs
- Provide technical assistance
- Review supply plans, procurement status, and distribution channels
- Monitor stock levels and mitigate stockouts
- Ensure adequate financing
- Identify advocacy needs for additional resources and policy change
- Coordinate between government and FP stakeholders
- Strengthen M&E procedures for continuous improvement and quality services

The objectives listed above were ubiquitous among all surveyed countries, but two countries also listed these additional responsibilities for their committees: 1.) Sharing best practices, and 2.) Ensuring the functioning of a Logistics Management Information System.

To find more information about how national CS committees are bringing stakeholders together to make CS a reality, visit the [Leadership and Coordination](#) section of the CSI Survey online dashboard.

Each of the visualized indicators related to leadership and coordination is listed below:

- Existence of a committee that works on contraceptive security
- Participation in the CS committee by sector
- Legal or administrative status of CS committees
- Frequency of CS committee meetings in the past year
- CS committee activity

The national committee works to “develop an action plan, procedures and strategies for optimizing contraceptive supply; review the national contraceptive status and procurement situation; lead national contraceptive forecasting and supply planning; and coordinate national resources for contraceptive procurement”.

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