

INTERNATIONAL PLANNED PARENTHOOD FEDERATION (IPPF)
ANGLOPHONE CENTER OF EXCELLENCE (COE) MEMBER
ASSOCIATIONS (MAS) LEAGUE COMMITMENTS 2021 – 2030

We the undersigned Representatives International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF) Anglophone Center of Excellence (CoE) Member Associations (MAs) League;

Having deliberated at the Learning and Sharing Forum of Executive Directors, Young People (YP) and Youth Officers held in *Dar es Salaam, Tanzania* on the *12th and 13th of December, 2021*.

Having heard the context of sexual and reproductive health and rights (SRHR) programmes for young people is saddened that;

Despite the high number of interventions to address the needs of Young People and improving their reproductive health outcomes;

There is still high prevalence of HIV, Teenage Pregnancies, Child Marriage, Unmet need for contraceptives, Sexual Gender Based Violence (SGBV), unsafe abortion amongst other SRHR challenges faced by young people across Africa.

We are concerned that young people in the continent continue to face many sexual and reproductive health challenges stemming from Socio-cultural believes and practices, reducing of political will, limited implementation of SRHR policies and growing opposition to provision of SRHR information, education and services.

Taking cognizance of the fact that the Opposition for Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) programming for in and out of school youth across African countries is a major obstacle to realizing good health outcomes across African countries.

We are aware that attaining the aspired ICPD Demographic Dividend for Africa (ICPD 25+), reaching the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) by 2030 and African Union Agenda 2063

(AU Agenda 2063) requires progressive efforts on the parts of all actors including political actors, social/community actors, development partners, civil society and young people;

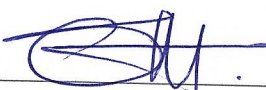
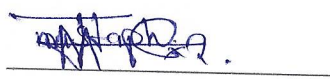
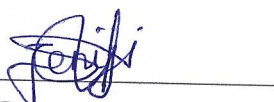



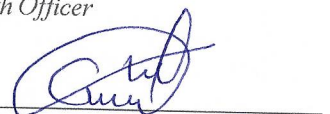
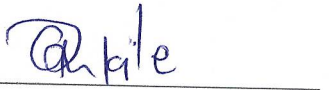
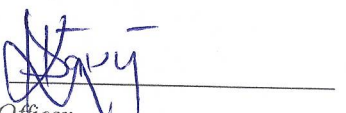
We Executive directors, Youth Programme Officers, Youth Volunteers and Youth-Led Civil Society Partners of the IPPF Anglophone Centers of Excellence (CoE) MAs League, commit to;

1. Work collaboratively to ensure young people have unhindered access to sexual reproductive health and rights information and services without any discrimination in the principle of Universal Health Coverage and Leaving No One Behind.
2. Deliberately ensure the meaningful and inclusive participation of young people in planning, designing, implementation, monitoring, evaluation and formulation of policies and programmes in our organizations including the creation of enabling environments that foster their capacity building.
3. Promote Peer-Peer (inter-MA) support and learning to advance our common action towards attaining positive SRHR status of young people in Africa, including forming partnerships and alliances with other like-minded CSOs.
4. Deliberately invest in and leverage on digital health interventions to improve SRHR programming and increase access to quality SRHR information and services to meet the growing and changing needs of young people.
5. Create and sustain the enabling environment and empower young people to claim their rights and make responsible and informed decisions about their sexual and reproductive health and well-being.
6. Enhance MAs and CSOs coordinated, structured, consistent, resilient and proactive engagements while raising resources to support regional interventions and advocacy to sustain gains and advance SRHR rights of young people across Africa.

7. Ensure ABYM and AGYW stay longer in school; empowering them with skills to make progressive and informed decisions that enhance their chances of attaining fulfilling livelihoods and responsible adulthood.
8. Work collaboratively with governments and public institutions in the formulation and implementation of progressive health, education, social and other related policies that impacts the health and well-being of young people.
9. Leverage on ratified regional protocols to hold governments accountable on their commitments in providing Sexual and Reproductive Health Services, information and education through the creation of enabling in-country policy environments for the implementation of high quality, affordable and assessable interventions for their constituents.
10. Work towards obtaining community support for Adolescent SRH interventions through meaningful engagements with gatekeepers (parents, traditional leaders, religious bodies), health and education institutions and youth led groups.
11. Initiate and implement inclusive interventions for young men and boys that responds to their needs and hold them as champions for attaining SRHR for all persons.
12. Engage at community, national, regional and continental levels with all key stakeholders to address social, cultural, political and patriarchal conditions and systems that gives rise to unequal power relations and SGBV particularly against adolescent girls and young women.
13. Mobilize resources to sustain interventions, commodity security and delivery of high quality, affordable, and accessible SRHR information, education and services to young people.

14. Invest in and leverage on the CoE platform to advance documentation and sharing of best practices amongst MAs and CSOs to advance and scale-up SRHR interventions for young people.
15. Remain resilient and proactive in providing SRHR interventions in emerging global pandemics, humanitarian crisis and in-conflict environments/ communities.

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