CRVS and the SDGs

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Why is CRVS Important?

- Birth registration and legal identity is a human right
- Population registers are the cornerstone for other national registers and census
- Vital statistics obtained through data from civil registration is crucial for policy making and measuring social and economic progress
- CRVS is about the fundamental relationship between an individual and the government. It is therefore at the core of good governance
- A key to development and a key to protection of vulnerable groups ensuring no one is left behind
CRVS and the SDGs

- Target 16.9: “By 2030, provide **legal identity** for all, including birth registration"
- Indicator 16.9.1 measures birth registration (under 5 and under 1) –prerequisite and first step towards obtaining a legal identity
- 72 of 230 SDG indicators could be completely or partially calculated using data originated from a well-functioning CRVS System
16.9 By 2030, provide legal identity for all, including birth registration.
Sustainable Development Goal 16, Target 16.9

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- Legal identity begins at birth, with biographic information collected through the civil registration system
- Facilitate access to services and enforcements of rights
- Death information collected through civil registration is also crucial for a functioning national ID system and delivery of health services
- CRVS+ (registration, ID and statistics)
Attaining the SDGs with CRVS

- Birth registration is a human right
- Enables informed policy decisions and targeted interventions
  - Understanding why people are dying is necessary to fight disease
- Facilitates the implementation of Universal health and education coverage
- Inclusive CRVS systems are necessary to ensure ‘no one is left behind’
How can CRVS benefit from the 2030 Agenda?

Enhance awareness of CRVS systems by:

- Promoting CRVS system across many government ministries and topic areas
- Emphasizing to ministries that CRVS data will enable them to respond concretely to the information requirements of the SDG
- *Mentioning* SDGs in all CRVS reports, posters, advertisements, proposals, and other documents
Linking CRVS with national development and SDG plans

- CRVS efforts both benefit from and contribute to ongoing SDG efforts
- CRVS touches on/contributes to many domains of government and society (10 Goals, 26 Targets)
- CRVS systems need to develop a *strategy* to ensure they benefit from participation in the SDG program
- CRVS should be integrated with ongoing SDG efforts at the national, sub-regional and regional levels
Further resources

http://getinthepicture.org/resource/role-crvs-achieving-sustainable-development-goals
Thank you!

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