CRVS

“GETTING EVERY ONE IN THE PICTURE”
Why is improving CRVS so essential to the 2030 Agenda for Sustainable Development and the achievement of the SDGs?

CRVS functions:

- A legal record of identity— for both government and individual family use
- Birth and death data on individuals for government processes
- Timely vital statistics
- Cause of death data
- All population based measures. “Per capita”
In which ways are civil registration supporting service delivery in countries?

• Data for development
  – Real data for real decisions

• National Strategies for the Development of Statistics
  – An integral part of national development strategies

• Accountability and monitoring
  – Regional and international reporting

• Resource mobilisation
  – You can only fund what you can demonstrate
In which ways are civil registration supporting service delivery in countries?

- CRVS is an important foundation for national ID systems and e-government
- A single identity assigned at birth
  - Validity of identity processes
  - Focus on data affecting children
- A whole of government approach
  - Data linkages & improved use of administrative data
What can be done to ensure hard to reach and marginalized groups are included in CRVS systems?

• **Goal 1: Universal civil registration**
  
  – **Coverage** - reducing barriers to access
    • Geography - collaboration and innovation, outreach programs
    • Legal and process barriers
  
  – **Completeness** – inclusion in the system
    • Costs
    • Community engagement
    • Data protection
What can be done to ensure hard to reach and marginalized groups are included in CRVS systems?

- Data in disasters
  - CRVS must be continuous – even in a disaster setting
  - Documents to assist families reunite and recover
  - Ongoing registration of new events
  - Understanding the impacts of events for both initial response and future planning.
Partnerships and Political Commitment

• National
  – Commitments through multiple sectors – health, registry and statistics
  – National assessment and planning processes
  – Opportunities for investment

• Regional support and collaboration
  – Pacific Vital Statistics Action Plan
  – BAG Partnership

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