

HIPs Task Team Terms of Reference

The IBP Consortium engages member organizations and the broader reproductive health and family planning (FP/RH) community to identify, implement, and scale up effective practices. We do this through: Sharing knowledge and resources, minimizing duplication and promoting collaboration. One of the core objectives of the IBP 2011-2016 Strategic Plan is *to enhance knowledge sharing that improves access to, and application of, information and resources*. The IBP Results Framework seeks to increase advocacy for utilization of FP/RH EPs; increase country-level participation in FP/RH BP activities; and increase identification of priority effective practices (EPs) at the country level. IBP has committed to promote the dissemination and use of HIPs and to that end, the consortium is convening a HIPs Task Team to develop mechanisms and strategies to disseminate, implement and support scale up of HIPs and share lessons learned about these practices.

The IBP Secretariat, in collaboration with USAID is convening a HIPs Task Team to perform the following functions:

- Develop a strategy and plan to support dissemination and implementation of HIPs at regional and country levels
- Provide overall vision and guidance to the IBP consortium on support for dissemination of HIP materials and for implementation of HIPs, in coordination with the HIPs TAG
- Provide feedback to the HIP TAG on material, including HIP briefs and website, and evidence/information needed to strengthen implementation
- Provide input and feedback to the HIP TAG during the evidence review and identification process to support identification of priority RH/FP high impact practices
- Track progress and identify solutions to challenges in dissemination and implementation of HIPs
- Report progress and results to IBP consortium via Knowledge Gateway and IBP meetings

What are HIPs?

HIPs are promising or best practices that, when scaled up and institutionalized, will maximize investments in a comprehensive family planning strategy. Identified by international experts in family planning and reproductive health, under the auspices of USAID, HIPs help family planning programs focus their resources and efforts to ensure they have the broadest reach and greatest impact. Please see <http://hips.k4health.org/about-hips>

Members of HIPs Task Team

- IBP Secretariat (Ados and Suzanne)
- USAID
- UNFPA
- IPPF
- E2A
- Others