

Information Systems for Nutrition in SUN Countries

Ghana Report Scoring Details

Component & Indicators	Scoring	Comments	Source
1. Government Commitment & Enabling Environment			
1.1 Policy & Planning Documents			
1.1.1 Existence of CRF (including draft documents)	1	National Nutrition Policy 2014-17	
1.1.2 Existence of an agreed M&E framework	0	"An M&E framework for the NNP will be based on the national M&E system..." (p.41) - but not found yet	National Nutrition Policy 2014-17
1.1.3 Budgeting for nutrition			
1.1.3.1 Performed the budget exercise once	1		
1.1.3.2 Repeated the budget exercise for a second time	1		
1.1.3.3 Shows trends (more than one data point)	1		
1.1.3.4 Shows funding sources	1		
1.1.3.5 Shows actual expenditures	0		
1.1.3.6 identified nutrition specific allocations	1		
1.1.3.7 Includes ≥ 3 sectors	1		
1.2 Tracking Global Nutrition Targets			
1.2.1 WHA targets			
Stunting in children under five	0	No indicators	
Acute Malnutrition in children under 5	0	No indicators	
Overweight in Children	0	No indicators	
Birth weight in newborns	0	No indicators	
Breastfeeding in children under six months	0	No indicators	
Maternal Anemia	0	No indicators	
1.2.2 NCD nutrition-related targets			
Overweight/Obesity in adults	0	No indicators	
Diabetes	0	No indicators	
Salt Intake	0	No indicators	
1.3 Institutionalization & coordination		Nothing found in terms of government initiatives to monitor/gather nutrition information	
1.3.1 Government ministry/department designated for coordination	1	M&E system will be coordinated at national level by the National Development Planning Commission (p.42)	National Nutrition Policy 2014-17
1.3.2 Central repository for information and reports	0		
1.3.3 Publically accessible information	0		

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1.3.4 Stakeholder Mapping	1	<p>1. REACH stakeholder mapping (2013): multi-stakeholder (government, civil society, UN, donors) mapping of priority actions, including analysis of geographic and beneficiary coverage, covering all regions.</p> <p>2. Stakeholder and Nutrition Action Mapping (SUN PMT, 2014): multi-stakeholder (government, civil society, UN, donors) mapping of Core Nutrition Actions, including analysis of geographic and beneficiary coverage and delivery mechanism, covering all districts in the 3 northern regions.</p> <p>3. UN Inventory (Jun-Sep 2015): mapping of nutrition actions, investments, geographic areas covered and alignment to national priorities. Included: FAO, UNICEF, WFP, WHO</p> <p>4. Stakeholder and Nutrition Action Mapping (SUN PMT, May-Jun 2016): second round of sub-national mapping covering all districts in the 3 northern regions.</p> <p>5. SUN Business Network</p> <p>6. SUN Civil Society Network</p>	UN Network
1.3.4.1. Done by SUN Civil Society Network	1		
1.3.4.2. Done by SUN Business Network	1		
1.3.4.3. Done by UNNetwork	1		
1.3.4.3.1 REACH Mapping	1		
1.3.4.3.2 UN Inventory	1		
1.3.4.3.3 Stakeholder and Action Mapping	1		
2. National Assessment Data			
2.1 National health & demographic surveys			
2.1.1 Demographic Health Survey (USAID)	1	Completed in 2014	DHS Program
2.1.2 Multiple Indicator Cluster Survey (UNICEF)	1	To be completed 2017	UNICEF
2.1.3 National SMART Surveys	0		
2.2 Micronutrient/Fortification Survey	1	<p>Conducted 3 FACT surveys in 2013-14 to assess fortified food interventions targeted at infants and young children; also FACT survey in 2015 to assess USI</p> <p>Current UNICEF proposal to conduct Micronutrient Survey in Ghana</p>	<p>GAIN</p> <p>http://www.unicef.org/ghana/Micronutrients_survey_in_Ghana.pdf</p>
2.3 Household Consumption & Expenditure Surveys	1	Ghana Living Standards Survey 2012-13	IHSN
2.4 Food security and vulnerability assessment (eg. WFP mobile Vulnerability Analysis and Mapping, CFSVA, CFSS, FSVA)	1	Completed in 2013	WFP
3. National Performance Monitoring Data			
3.1 Nutrition specific program performance monitoring			
3.1.1 Micronutrient supplementation during pregnancy	0	No indicators	
3.1.2 Food supplementation during pregnancy	0	No indicators	
3.1.3 Breastfeeding promotion			
3.1.3.1 Facility-based (HMIS)	1	Monitored by HMIS (per Nutridash 2015)	Unicef
3.1.3.2 Community level	1	Breastfeeding counseling in ANC monitored at the community level	Nutridash 2015 (Unicef)

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3.1.4 IYCF counseling			
3.1.4.1 Facility-based (HMIS)	1	Monitored by HMIS (per Nutridash 2015)	Unicef
3.1.4.2 Community level	1	IYCF counseling for mothers of children 0-23 mon monitored at the community level	Nutridash 2015 (Unicef)
3.1.5 Vit A supplement children under 5			
3.1.5.1 Facility-based (HMIS)	0	No indicators	
3.1.5.2 Campaign/Health Weeks	1		
3.1.6 Detection & management of acute malnutrition children under 5	0	No indicators	
3.1.6.1 Detection/surveillance of acute malnutrition	1	Facility tally sheets and monthly reports to be conducted and sent to the district health office	Interim_Natl_GL_Ghana_May12.pdf
3.1.6.2 Facility-based management of acute malnutrition (coverage)	1	SAM outpatient admissions reported in HMIS	Nutridash 2015 (Unicef)
3.1.6.3 CMAM coverage (Coverage Monitoring Network)	1	CMAM is implemented in all ten regions of Ghana. "although CMAM activities have been incorporated [into national health management information systems], the monitoring data are handled through a vertical system using a separate database" (Maleta 2014)	Maleta & Amadi (2014) FNB, vol. 35, no. 2 (suppl)
3.1.7 Fortification of staple foods	0	No indicators	
3.1.7.1 Monitoring system to track USI program activities	?	No data provided by NutriDash	Nutridash 2015 (Unicef)
3.2 Sectoral platforms relevant to nutrition			
3.2.1 Health, HMIS	1	Ghana has since April 2012 used DHIS 2 nationwide with a fully online deployment led by the Ghana Health Service.	DHIS 2 website
3.2.2 Agriculture & Food system sector	1		
3.2.2.1 Early Warning system	?		
3.2.2.2 Food markets	1	Marketing Services Unit, SRID (MOFA)	http://mofa.gov.gh/site/
3.2.3 Education sector	1	Current World Bank project seeks to adapt a suitable ICT platform, 'Taarifa', to ensure close monitoring of works as well as provide school profiles using key performance indicators through a dedicated website accessible to the general public. The establishment of a user-friendly web platform for school reporting and real time monitoring of all SHS would enhance and strengthen the EMIS in order to help government report on achievement of results. 'Taarifa' is a dynamic Smartphone and web-based ICT-based monitoring and evaluation system that helps provide real-time information accessible to all stakeholders to closely track progress of key project activities and to report on Project outputs in a timely manner.	EMIS Activity List (World Bank)
3.2.4 Water, Sanitation and Hygiene (WASH) sector	1		WHO (2014) UN-Water Global Analysis and Assessment of Sanitation and Drinking-Water (GLAAS) 2014 report. http://apps.who.int/iris/handle/10665/139735
3.2.4.1 Data for public health priority setting to reduce WASH related disease	1		GLAAS 2014 country survey data
3.2.4.2 Data for health sector response to WASH-related disease outbreaks	1		GLAAS 2014 country survey data
3.2.4.3 Sanitation data for policy & strategy decision-making	1		GLAAS 2014 country survey data
3.2.4.4 Sanitation data for resource allocation decision-making	0.7		GLAAS 2014 country survey data
3.2.4.5 Drinking water data for policy & strategy decision-making	1		GLAAS 2014 country survey data

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3.2.4.6 Drinking water data for national standards decision-making	1		GLAAS 2014 country survey data
3.2.4.7 Drinking water data availability for resource allocation decision-making	0.7		GLAAS 2014 country survey data
3.2.5 Social Protection, including Safety Net Programs	1	A recent review of Social Protection Program Information Systems across African nations, categorized Ghana as having an emerging safety net system.	Monchuk, Victoria. 2013. Reducing Poverty and Investing in People: The New Role of Safety Nets in Africa. Directions in Development. Washington, DC: World Bank.
3.2.6 Early Childhood Development	?		