2022 SUN COUNTRY PROFILE

Ecuador

Joining the Scaling Up Nutrition (SUN) Movement: January 2020


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COUNTRY NUTRITION STATUS

- National multi-stakeholder platform (MSP)
  - Date established: 2022
  - MSP annual action plan exists
- Subnational nutrition coordination mechanism
- Subnational MSPs exist
- Subnational MSPs have annual action plans
- National nutrition plan
- Advocacy and communications framework/plan

SUN networks in-country presence
- SUN Civil Society Network
- SUN Business Network
- UN-Nutrition
- SUN Academia Network
- SUN Donor Network
- Others: e.g. youth, parliamentarian, media

Finance for nutrition
- Resource mobilization strategy exists
- Budget tracking exercise done this year
- Funding gaps identified this year
- Domestic expenditures on nutrition tracked

- Yes  In process  No  Costed  M&E framework

COUNTRY PRIORITIES 2023

Foster early detection; Use results-based budgeting methodology; Provide information services to providers of goods and services; Improve the quality of services; Channel resources to fund the strategy.

2022 SHARED COUNTRY GOOD PRACTICE

Topic: Monitoring of the provision of the prioritised basic package

Title: Single and Universal Tracking System

About: Facilitates the transmission and access to information on the provision of the prioritised package according to computer and information security criteria.

PROGRESS TOWARDS SUN 3.0 STRATEGIC OBJECTIVES (SO)

- SO.1 Strengthen and sustain strong policy and advocacy environments
  - Training provided to the Intersectoral Committee for the Prevention and Reduction of Chronic Malnutrition in Children made it possible to align the priorities and responsibilities of the institutions in charge of providing the prioritised basic package for pregnant women and children under two years of age.

- SO.2 Develop and align shared country priorities for action
  - The Intersectoral Strategic Plan for the Prevention and Reduction of Chronic Malnutrition in Children remains in force, on which all the responsible institutions are working to achieve the objectives. In 2023, the percentage of compliance with the 2022 goals was evaluated, and for next year the institutional and territorial indicators and goals have been established to be monitored periodically.

- SO.3 Build and strengthen country capacity
  - To improve governance, progress has been made in terms of institutionality, funding, information systems, and territorial and multi-stakeholder coordination.

- SO.4 Ensure governance of SUN that promotes country leadership and responsibilities of government, aligns the resources of all SUN Movement stakeholders behind country priorities and strengthens 360 mutual accountability
  - UN-Nutrition monitors the strategy, holding regular meetings to align work, measure progress, and guarantee accountability. In the same way, work has been done with international cooperation organisations in order to harness synergies and not duplicate actions. In 2022, Ecuador actively participated in spaces for the exchange of positive experiences with SUN Movement member countries, as well as at the Regional Meeting.