Bringing people together into a shared space for action
Ensuring a coherent policy and legal framework
Aligning actions around common results
Financing tracking and resource mobilisation

INSTITUTIONAL TRANSFORMATIONS 2018–2019

The Government of Rwanda recognises that malnutrition is a multi-sectoral challenge that requires all actors to work together. The National Food, Nutrition and WASH technical working group is a multi-sectoral platform led by the National Early Childhood Development Programme (NECDP) and is where actors now meet to discuss nutrition issues. SUN Networks are working collaboratively. The UN Network, Donor Network, Civil Society Network and the academic institutions are members of the Food, Nutrition and WASH technical working group which is chaired by the government and co-chaired by USA.


The new national nutrition policy is at the final stage of development. The National Early Childhood Development Strategic plan (NECDP) includes a Common Results Framework and has been finalised and will be soon costed. Stakeholders now ensure that their nutrition actions are in line with the national nutrition policy and strategic plan. They develop their annual work plans in relation to the priorities of the government through the multi-sectoral coordination platform which is led by the NECDP.

The National Early Child Development Strategic Plan 2018-2024 has been finalised and will be costed soon. Civil Society organisations conducted a nutrition budget analysis.

The Government, in collaboration with the World Bank, analysed nutrition expenditure to estimate what was required for scale up and estimate the effect of malnutrition on the health sector.

A key challenge is that most stakeholder funding continues to depend on external sources, making it difficult to predict or plan for multi-year funding capacity.

2019–2020 PRIORITIES

- Introduction of the length mat at community level as a tool for assessing stunting;
- Dissemination of the National Nutrition Policy, Early Child Development Strategic Plan and the revised MIYCN counselling package;
- Finalize the code of marketing of breast-milk substitutes;
- Development of the national nutrition strategic plan;
- Creation of an online library for nutrition information;
- Introduction of the nutrition financing analysis tool.

Rwanda

Join: December 2011
Population: 12.63 million
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Under five stunting (%)
2014 76%
2015 79%
2016 Not available
2017 Not available
2018 72%
2019 94%

Under five wasting (%)
2014 36.9
2015 2.0
2016 Not available
2017 Not available
2018 2.0
2019 2.0

Under five overweight (%)
2014 5.6
2015 Not available
2016 Not available
2017 Not available
2018 Not available
2019 Not available

Low birth weight (%)
2014 7.9
2015 Not available
2016 Not available
2017 Not available
2018 Not available
2019 Not available

0-5 months old exclusive breastfeeding (%)
2014 86.9
2015 Not available
2016 Not available
2017 Not available
2018 Not available
2019 Not available

Anaemia in women 15-49 years (%)
2014 22.3
2015 Not available
2016 Not available
2017 Not available
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