

UNICEF South Sudan Birth Notification Assessment P2387



Avalon along with Community Systems Foundation is providing system analysis of the birth notification system in South Sudan, to potentially link it with the Civil Registration and Vital Statistics (CRVS) system.

In 2021, Avalon supported the Child Protection Section of UNICEF South Sudan to conduct a system analysis of the birth notification system, which was recently developed and implemented in several health centers in the country. This system has been non-operational since 2018, which has created bottlenecks in the reporting of birth notifications.

After conducting a stakeholder mapping, Avalon has interviewed a series of partners: users of the system at the health facility level, as well as key stakeholders at the Ministry of Health. Conversations were also held with the IT department at UNICEF to better understand technical issues being faced in implementation.

This led to a report highlighting technical and implementation challenges of the birth notification system, as well as strong recommendations for a more resilient and data driven platform.

Furthermore, this program supports the Ministry of Health's goal to build a CRVS system that tracks data on births, deaths, marriages, divorces, and fetal deaths by incorporating the birth notification system. Avalon also provided recommendations how the birth notification system can be linked to the CRVS system.

Features

- Mapping of existing systems across the country.
- A thorough assessment to provide recommendation on how birth notification systems can be revived across the country.
- Looking at linkage between birth notification system and the upcoming CRVS system.

Benefits

- Create a sustainable and cost-effective method to understand why a system implemented at the facility level has not produced expected results.
- Assessment towards the design of an effective system that would take into account IT and HR ecosystem of South Sudan.

Facts

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| Stakeholder | UNICEF, Child Protection Unit and Ministry of Health |
| Area | South Sudan |
| Time Period | 2021 |
| Topics | Data, System Strengthening |
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Budget

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| USD | .020 million |
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