Adaptable Health Facility Readiness Assessment Tool for Maternal Immunization Services

Introduction

- This assessment aims to establish service availability and readiness for maternal immunization at health facilities providing antenatal care (ANC) services. The findings can be used to enable facilities to improve readiness for and delivery of maternal immunization services.
- 2. The assessment may be initiated at national, sub-national, or health facility level to gather information for planning and management of available resources for maternal immunization.
- 3. A team of assessors will be dispatched to facilities with relevant approval. The assessor(s) will contact the facility in advance to arrange for this assessment. During the assessment, the assessor(s) will meet the officer-in-charge of the facility or maternal child health (MCH) clinic to introduce, plan, and agree on modalities of the assessment.
- 4. The exercise involves a walk-through of the facility, interview with clinic staff, direct observation of clinical practices and review of the availability and use of equipment and supplies for service delivery.
- 5. At the end of the assessment, the assessors will hold a debrief session with the facility team on findings and actionable items. An action plan to drive improvement will be drawn with the facility and other relevant team(s) for follow-up and support.

Consent

The Ministry of Health (MoH), in close collaboration with partners, is conducting this assessment to establish service availability and readiness for maternal immunization at health facility level. This information will be collected in selected primary health care and secondary referral facilities as part of the government's ongoing efforts to improve maternal immunization services across the country. The facilities included in the assessment were randomly selected from a list of all facilities to ensure a representative sample.

As the in-charge of this facility/ MCH, we are asking you to help us collect the information from the persons who are most knowledgeable about the services. For any questions we ask, if there is another person who is in a better position to provide

data collection from a service site may take up stakeholders, to provide information for plann	n. We anticipate that the time required from an individual respondent to complete to 60 minutes. The information will be shared with the MoH, and other relevanting purposes. No names of any respondents will be shared. In case you have any please feel free to contact At this point, do you have any
Do I have your permission to proceed?	
Yes, proceed 1 No, stop 2	
Signature of lead assessor indicating informed consent was administered	Signature of health facility / MCH in-charge authorizing data collection at health facility
Date: / / (dd / mm / yyyy)	Date: / /

100: FACILITY IDENTIFICATION No. Question Result /Response Skip/Comment 101 Health facility name] [102 Facility code] 103 [list] County or district 104 Sub-county or sub-district [list] 105 Facility level] [National teaching and referral hospital.....1 106 Facility type (circle appropriately) District referral hospital2 Nursing/maternity home......3 Health centre.....4 Dispensary/medical clinic.....5 Other (specify)......6 107 Facility managing authority Public/Ministry of Health.....1 (ownership) Private2 (circle appropriately) Non-governmental/private not-for-profit......3 Mission/faith-based organization.....4 Other (specify)......5 Date of assessment 108 (dd/mm/yyyy) _/__/___ 109 Assessor's name 110 Facility / in-charge's name 1 Name: [and telephone number Telephone Number: [Altitude (meters): ___ __ __ __ 111 Geographic coordinates Latitude (N/S): ___ __ Degrees: __ _ Decimals: __ _ _ _ Longitude (E/W): ___ Degrees: ___ Decimals: ___ __ 112 Revisits and dates Revisits (where applicable) (if applicable) / Tick Revisits / Tick **Result Code** Results Code 1[] 1=interview started 2 [2=interview postponed 3[] 3=interview completed Skip to Q201 Not applicable......1 (if interview completed without revisit)

200: SERVICES AVAILABILITY

Find out whether the following services are offered at the health facility

No.	Question	Result/Response	Skip/Comment
201	Is ANC integrated with other services in MCH?	Integrated in a designated room1	
		Not integrated in a designated room2	
202	Services integrated with ANC	Immunization1	
202	(circle all that apply)	Family planning2	
	(en sie all tital apply)	Child health3	
		Prevention of vertical transmission of HIV4	
		Postnatal5	
		Cervical cancer screening6	
		Clinical breast examination7	
		Nutrition services8	
		Gender based violence9	
		Other (specify)10	
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203	Which other services are available within the	Comprehensive care clinic1	
	facility?	Tuberculosis services2	
		General outpatient3	
		Inpatient4	
		Laboratory5	
		Maternity6	
		Pharmacy7	
		Others (specify)8	
204	Does the facility provide the following services at	Greeting/create rapport1	
	ANC? (Observe)	Blood pressure (BP)2	
	Document services offered at 1st ANC	Temperature3	
		Medical and obstetric history4	
		Menstrual history (last menstrual period)5	
		Head-to-toe exam6	
		Uterine exam7	
		Fundal height measure8	
		Weight9	
		Height	
		Tuberculosis screening12	
		Fetal heart rate	
		Family planning counseling14	
		Blood grouping15	
		Rhesus factor16	
		Syphilis test17	
		Hepatitis B18	
		Haemoglobin19	
		Urinalysis20	
		Tetanus diphtheria (Td) toxoid21	
		HIV counseling and testing22	
		Elimination of vertical transmission of HIV23	
		Insecticide treated net provided24	
		Birth planning discussion25	
		Nutrition supplementation26	
		Obstetric ultrasound27	
		Other health messaging28	
		Random blood sugar29	

		Iron and folic acid31 Other (specify)32	
205	What is the routine practice for measuring and recording the gestational age during an ANC visit? (select all that apply)	Measure: Last menstrual period (with/without pregnancy wheel)	
		Recording: ANC registers	
206	Are there any fees currently incurred by pregnant women out of pocket to access ANC services?	Yes=1 / No=2	If Yes continue, if No, skip to 301
207	What does the fee cover?	Triage 1 Examination 2 Appointments 3 Immunization 4 ANC profile 5 Ultrasound 6 Other laboratory tests 7 Medications 8 Nutritional supplements 9 All services are charged 10 Other (specify) 11	
208	If fees charged, review service charter and observe if this is indicated and up to date	Fees on service charter is up to date	

300: STAFF WORKFLOW and SUPPORT

301: Indicate the number of staff working in the health facility at each service delivery point below (excluding students)

	Cadre	Total in facility	Antenatal Care	Immunization	Postnatal	Maternity	Child welfare	Other (specify)
301a	Obstetrician/gynecologists							
301b	Paediatricians							
301c	Medical officers							
301d	Pharmacist							
301e	Pharmaceutical technologist							
301f	Nurses/midwives							
301g	Registered clinical officers							
301h	Laboratory staff							
301i	HIV testing counsellors							
301j	Public health officers							
301k	Community health assistants							
3011	Community health extension workers							
301m	Nutritionist							
301n	Health records and information officers							
301o	Interns							
301p	Others (specify):							
302	Does the facility have an adequate number of health care providers to provide maternal immunization services without affecting other ANC services?		Yes=1 / No=2	sees adequ >30 cli (Adequ neede	up to 30 cli ate number ents per day, uate human d to meet de afe delivery	ients per do of HCPs in t then HCPs in resource mand for a	here one HCP ay — there is the facility. If not adequate. capacity is dministration immunization	
303	Is there a training program in providers' education and training maternal immunization?			Yes=1 / No=2	answe vaccin	rs question es, and ha ence to a	ith pregno ns, safely is the kno	workforce ant women, administers owledge and verse events

400: PI	HYSICAL INFRASTRUCTURE – overview of ANC facility	y	
401	Does the ANC room meet the required standards for offering ANC services as per the norms and standards for health service delivery? (observe: ventilation, lighting, space, accessibility for all pregnant mothers including those living with disability, availability of couch)	Yes=1 / No=2 Yes - is ventilated, well lit, spaciou accessible to pregnant mother and couch No – does not meet these criteria	
402	Locations (rooms) for ANC: List the various location privacy and amenity (identify all the rooms in ANC of		ces as listed below), and rate
	Rate the privacy and amenity of the room(space)	Rate room privacy "Adequate" = room is conducive, acceptable auditory and visual/ physical privacy to client "Needs improvement" = room is not conducive, not acceptable; privacy is lacking auditory and/or physical aspects, and should be enhanced	Rate room amenity: "Good" = provides comfort and privacy "Usable" = adequate but needs some renovation "Poor" = significantly lacking in comfort and privacy; barely or not usable
	Waiting bay	Adequate1 Needs improvement2	Good1 Usable2 Poor3
	Examination room	Adequate1 Needs improvement2	Good1 Usable2 Poor3
	HIV testing and counselling room	Adequate1 Needs improvement2	Good1 Usable2 Poor3
	Immunization space	Adequate1 Needs improvement2	Good1 Usable2 Poor3
	Family planning	Adequate1 Needs improvement2	Good1 Usable2 Poor3
	ANC room	Adequate1 Needs improvement2	Good1 Usable2 Poor3
	Other (specify):	Adequate1 Needs improvement2	Good
	Power supply	·	
403	Does this facility have electricity from any source such as electricity grid, generator, solar, or other, including stand-alone devices such as those used to maintain the Expanded Programme on Immunization (EPI) cold chain?	Yes=1 / No=2	If No, skip to 407
404	What is the facility's main source of electricity?	Electricity gridGenerator (fuel or battery) SolarOther (specify):	2

405	In the last 7 days, was electricity available from the main source or any backup source at all times when facility was open for services?	Always available (no interruptions)	
406	Which locations in the facility have electricity?	All locations have electricity	
407	What is the <i>most commonly</i> used source of water for the facility at this time?	Piped water to facility. 1 Public tap	
408	In the last 7 days, was there any time when there was no water in the facility?	Yes=1 / No=2	
409	Is there a toilet/latrine in functioning condition available for general outpatient/ANC client use?	Yes=1 / No=2	If No, skip to 414
410	If yes, what type of toilet?	Flush toilet	
411	Are there separate functional toilets/latrines for staff and clients?	Yes=1 / No=2	
412	Are the clients' toilets/latrines separate for male and female clients? Or are they shared?	Yes, separate for male and female1 No, clients share toilets2	
413	Does the facility have toilets designed for clients with physical disability?	Yes=1 / No=2	
414	How does this facility dispose of medical waste, including sharps (safety boxes)?	Incinerator 1 Pit 2 Burn and bury 3 Send waste to another facility 4 Other (specify) 5	
415	Injectable waste disposal in consultation rooms Indicate the type of injection waste disposal containers in MCH (look for informal boxes/ bottles or purpose-built? Safety box for use in incinerator?)	Safety box/sharps container	

	IS the following equipment available, functional, and	Sazu ni b		
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	Equipment (if equipment not available skip functional and use options)	Available	Functional	In use
501a	Gestational age estimation wheel	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501b	BP machine manual	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501c	BP machine auto	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501d	Stethoscope	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501e	Weighing scale	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501f	Height measure	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501g	Tape measure (fundal height)	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501h	Foetal stethoscope	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501i	Haemoglobin measure	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501j	Ultrasound machine	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501k	Doppler foetal monitoring	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
5011	Light source	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501m	Thermometer	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501n	Pulse oximeter	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
501o	Other (specify):	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
502	Vaccine-specific equipment in clinical areas (are th	ey available, functiona	l and in use?)	
	Needles and syringes suitable for vaccination	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
	Adverse events following immunization (AEFI) kit (Injection adrenaline, disposable syringe (insulin type) and intramuscular (IM) needle, scalp vein set with medium-bore needles, intravenous (IV) cannulas, paracetamol tabs, IV fluids, IV drip set, cotton wool and adhesive tape — one each, AEFI reporting forms, label showing: date of inspection, expiry date of injectable adrenaline and shortest expiry date of any of the components, drug dosage tables for injecting adrenaline)		Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
	Other (specify):	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
503	Vaccine storage equipment (are they available, fur	nctional and in use?)		
	Freezer for vaccines	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
	Freezer for icepacks	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
	Vaccine refrigerator	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
	Vaccine carrier(s)	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
	Thermometers for vaccine carrier(s)	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2
	Other (specify):	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2

	Are other commodities stored with vaccines? (If accompanied by EPI logistician during data collection, the commodities stored can be physically verified	Yes=1 / No=2	f No, skip to 506
505	Which commodities are stored with vaccines? (list the commodities) (Check especially for muscle relaxants or other potentially dangerous injectable medicines)	Insulin	
506	How often are temperatures recorded?	Once daily	
507	Are temperatures monitored and recorded on weekends and holidays? (Check the temperature monitoring sheet)	Yes	
508	Are there thermometers outside the freezers and refrigerators?	Yes=1 / No=2	
509	Are there thermometers / fridge tags inside the freezers and refrigerators?	Yes=1 / No=2	
510	Is the temperature inside the refrigerators currently between +2° and +8° C?	Yes=1 / No=2	
511	Are all vaccines arranged as "First expiry, First out"?	Yes=1 / No=2	
512	Did you observe any expired vaccines? (If yes, write down type of vaccine and how many vaccines vials are expired?)	Yes=1 / No=2 Type of vaccine (expired) 1. 2 3 4	
513	Comment on access to vaccine storage	Access restricted/storage under lock1 Access not restricted/not locked2	
514	Who has access to vaccine storage area? (Multiple response; select all that apply)	Facility in-charge/EPI coordinator only1 Nurse at immunization room2 Every MCH health care provider3 Other (Specify)4	
515	Commodity audit: check if the following commodi	ties are in stock	
515a	Tetanus-diphtheria vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515b	Oral polio vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515c	BCG vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515d	Pentavalent or DTP-containing	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515e	Measles vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515f	Yellow fever vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2 / N/A3	
515g	Hepatitis B vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	

515h	Pneumococcal conjugate vaccine (PCV)	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515i	Inactivated polio vaccine (IPV)	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515j	HPV vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515k	COVID-19 vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
5151	Malaria vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2 / N/A3	
515m	Influenza vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515n	Rotavirus vaccine	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
5150	Other vaccine (specify)	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515p	Diluent (if applicable)	In stock1 / Out of stock2	
515q	Needles and syringes	In stock1 / Out of stock2	

600: INFORMATION, EDUCATION, AND COMMUNICATIONS (IEC) MATERIALS, POLICIES, STANDARDS, AND GUIDELINES					
601: Select available IEC materials -	Danger signs in pregnancy chart	Yes=1 / No=2			
posters, job aids, flip charts, brochures on safe pregnancy, immunization, family	Family planning / Tiahrt Chart	Yes=1 / No=2			
planning, elimination of vertical transmission of HIV, COVID-19,	Elimination of vertical transmission of HIV chart	Yes=1 / No=2			
handwashing materials	Handwashing poster	Yes=1 / No=2			
	COVID-19 poster	Yes=1 / No=2			
	Positioning and attachment breastfeeding chart	Yes=1 / No=2			
	Immunization chart	Yes=1 / No=2			
	Other (specify)	Yes=1 / No=2			
Policies, Guidelines, and Standards					
602: Are current versions of the following	National guidelines for antenatal care	Yes=1 / No=2			
documents available and at this facility? (Tick yes only if current versions are	National immunization guidelines	Yes=1 / No=2			
available and in use)	National guidelines for infection prevention and control	Yes=1 / No=2			
	Other	Yes=1 / No=2			
	Other	Yes=1 / No=2			
700: FEEDBACK AND CLIENT GRIEVANCE R	EDRESS MECHANISM				
701: Health facility feedback mechanisms in place (e.g exit interviews, suggestion boxes)	Is there any mechanism in place for obtaining patient feedback?	Yes – used			
702: Client grievance redress mechanism (GRM) (This is a locally based, formalized way to resolve client feedback or complaints. A GRM can take the form of a simple spreadsheet to a more complicated web-based system that collects data from SMS, phone, and other uptake channels).	Is there a grievance redress mechanism in place at this facility?	Yes – used2 Yes – not used2 No mechanism in place3			

801	Pregnant women who received vaccination against		Total # of	# pregnant	Percentage (%)	
		a, COVID-19, or any other	women who received vaccine	women who attended ANC	who received vaccination	
	Tetanus-	diphtheria vaccine				
	COVID-1	9 vaccine				
	Other va	ccines (specify)				
	How many pregna each of the trimes	ant women received the vaccine, in ster?	1 st trimester	2 nd trimester	3 rd trimester	
	Tetanus-	diphtheria vaccine				
	COVID-1	9 vaccine				
	Other va	ccines (specify)				
802	Observe at least of	one vaccination session		<u>'</u>		
Session observation	Environment	Counter or injection space is clean and organized				
	Preparation	Checked expiry date on ampoule/vial				
	Immunization	Greeted woman / created rapport				
	After session	Opened and reconstituted multi-dose vials (powder) discarded or <i>labelled*</i> and stored recommended at end of session				

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	Question	Response			Skip
901	Are the current MOH registers and summary tools available and in use at this facility?	Current version available	Available and in use at facility	Tools are updated (captures client's latest visit)	
901a	Maternity Register	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
901b	Postnatal Care Register	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
901c	ANC Register	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
901d	Mother Child Handbook	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
901e	Immunization Permanent Register	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
901f	Immunization Service uptake Summary	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
901g	Immunization Tally Sheet	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
901h	Integration Summary Report: Reproductive & Child Health, Medical & Rehabilitation Services	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	Yes=1 / No=2	
902	Review records (reporting forms and registers): If immunization data is reported every month, has immunization data been reported in the last 3 months?	Yes, all months			
903	Is there a system in place for capturing women's health information at MCH (e.g., demographics, ANC visits, gestation)?	Yes=1 / No=2		If No, skip to 906	
904	If there is system in place, what type of system is it?	Paper-based system			
905	Is the system capable of tracking patients for active follow-up? Cross-sectional/longitudinal)	Yes=1 / No=2			
906	Ask specifically about immunization: Is there a system for recording vaccination information?	Yes=1 / No=2		If No, skip to 909	
907	If there is a system in place for recording immunization, what type of system is it?	Paper-based system			
908	Is the system capable of tracking patients for active follow-up?	Yes=1 / No=2	Ask if system ho follow-up	as capacity for longit	udinal
909	Now, ask about AEFI: Is there a system in place in this facility for reporting AEFIs? (either immediate or delayed)	Yes=1 / No=2 (A system to monitor AEFI is essential to capture AEFI that are apparent when vaccine is on a large scale and enables the health system to deal promptly with severe AEFI to maintain public confidence in the immunization and ANC services)			
910	What type of system for AEFI is in place?	Paper-based system			
911	Does the facility have a contact person who is informed following AEFI?	Yes=1 / No=2			

912	Are AEFI reporting forms available and in use at the facility?	Yes=1 / No=2	
913	Does the AEFI reporting system have the capacity to identify pregnant and lactating women?	Yes=1 / No=2	
914	Where do you send the AEFI reports?	Sub-national coordinator	

1000: Summarize the assessment including any information not captured / additional observations:			
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Antenatal Care Indicators

Relevant data from facility, national, and/or subnational level should be summarized by assessment team (if possible, in advance) from electronic data, facility registers, summary sheets, surveys, and other sources. These data may clarify the functionality of the ANC platform into which a new maternal immunization will be integrated, as well as several markers for ANC quality that will be important to track before during and after the introduction of new interventions in ANC.

No.	Core indicators	Data source
1	Percentage of pregnant women with first ANC contact in the first trimester (before 12 weeks of gestation)	
2	Percentage of pregnant women who received iron and folic acid supplements for 90+ days	
3	Percentage of pregnant women screened for syphilis during ANC	
4	Percentage of pregnant women with at least four ANC contacts	
5	Percentage of pregnant women with a minimum of eight ANC contacts	
6	Percentage of pregnant women who were told about pregnancy danger signs during ANC	
7	Blood pressure measurement: percentage of pregnant women with at least one blood pressure measure during ANC	
8	Blood pressure measurement: percentage of pregnant women with at least one blood pressure measure in the third trimester during ANC	
9	Percentage of pregnant women whose baby's heartbeat was listened to at least once during ANC	
10	Percentage of pregnant women with an ultrasound scan before 24 weeks	
11	Experience of care (e.g., waiting time and support received during ANC contacts)	

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