

# **Inter-agency Global Evaluation of RH Services for Refugees and IDPs**

Component 1: Review of  
Literature

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# Introduction

- **Brief** review of literature describing RH needs included as background to **comprehensive** review of:
  - Evaluation/assessment reports related to RH services for refugees and IDPs (11 countries)
  - Evaluation/assessment reports of health services/programs, as a whole, for refugees (4 countries)
  - Other documents relevant to RH services for refugees and IDPs

# Components of RH Services Assessed/Evaluated

- Family planning
- Safe motherhood
- STD/HIV/AIDS
- Sexual and gender violence
- MISP/RH Kits

But not all assessments/evaluations  
covered all of these components

# Main Findings

- Variations and/or gaps in family planning services relevant to:
  - availability of methods; abilities and skills of service providers; use of services
- Good range of SM services at most refugee sites:
  - Services generally well used; better indicators and outcomes for mothers and newborns
- Limited range of SM services for IDPs

# Main Findings (cont'd)

- Variations and/or gaps in STD/HIV/AIDS services relevant to:
  - availability of drugs; skills of service providers; partner notification and treatment; condom distribution; supplies for universal precautions
- Services for SGV often not available, and where they are available:
  - lack well defined protocols, practices, procedures
  - tendency to focus on victims of rape
  - BUT efforts are being made to establish clear systems, roles, responsibilities for SGV services

# Conclusions

- Fairly favorable impression of RH services for refugees:
  - some aspects stronger than others
  - need for improvement
- Much less favorable impression of RH services for IDPs:
  - all components of RH services severely lacking
  - urgent action required if the RH needs of IDPs are to be met