

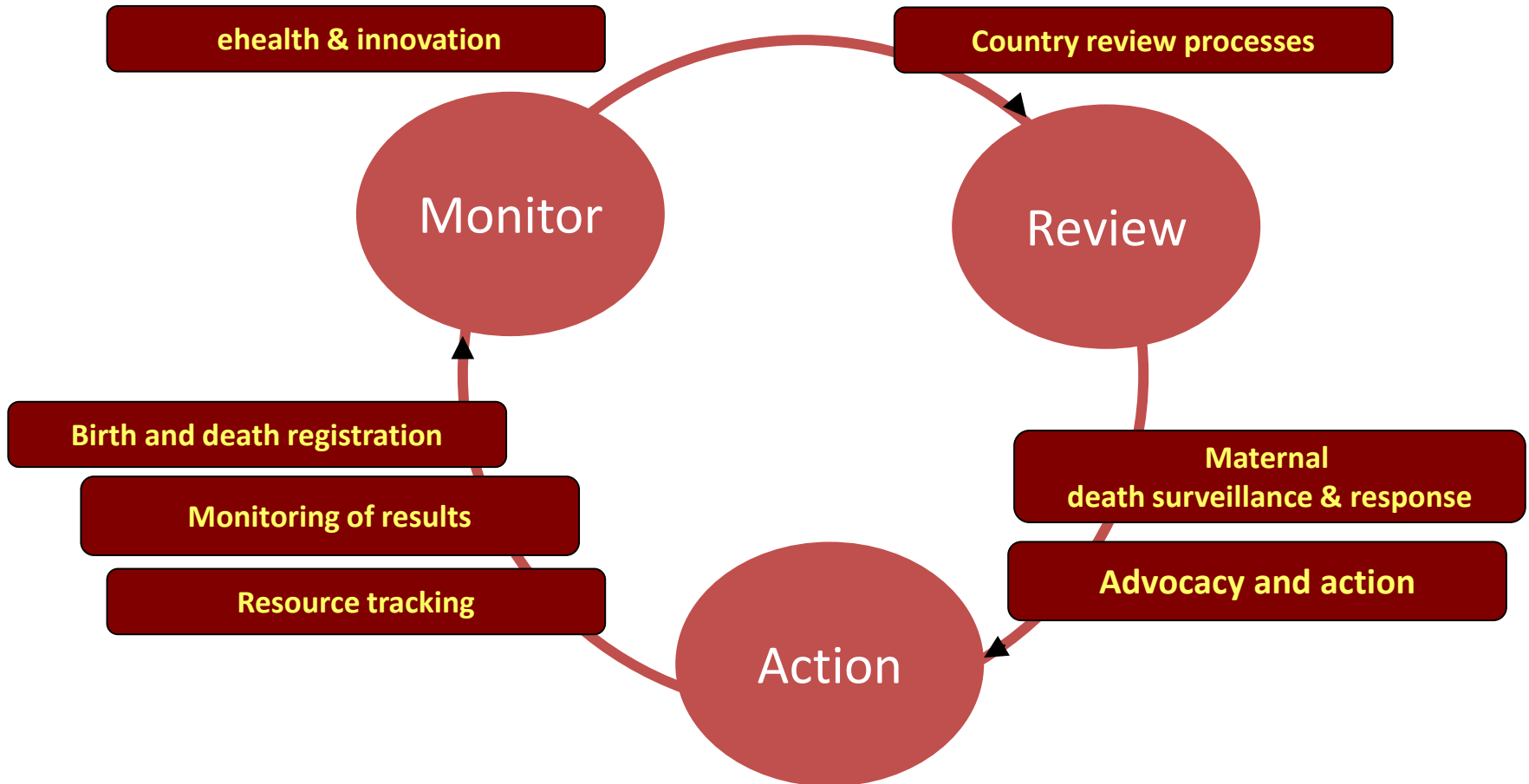
Accountability for health Assessment & Roadmap for Tanzania

Summary of a workshop on Implementing the
accountability framework for women's and
children's health, 23-25 April 2012, Dar es Salaam

Background

- Outcome of the workshop of about 40 stakeholders, Serena Hotel, Dar es Salaam, 23-25 April
- Included representatives from MoHSW, RITA, UN agencies (UNFPA, UNICEF, WHO), bilateral and technical agencies (USAID, CDC, DANIDA, and others), civil society organizations (international and national)
- Main objectives:
 - to review the assessment of the accountability framework implementation in Tanzania and
 - to develop a roadmap 2012-15 to enhance accountability for health, with special attention for women's and children's health

Accountability framework



Civil registration & vital statistics system

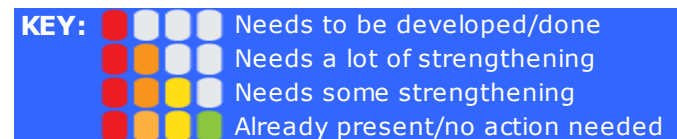
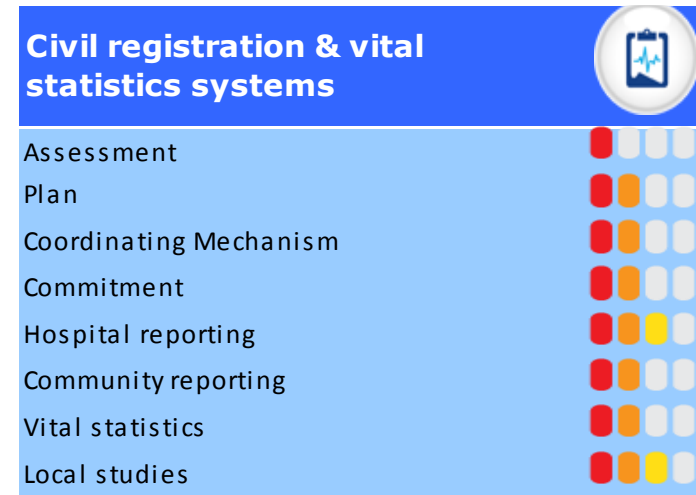
Counting every birth and death, with cause, as the foundation of public administration

- **Situation:**

- Poorly functioning system: e.g. birth registration coverage only 17% of children, low death registration, poor cause of death information
- Coordinating body RITA has been established (Min of Justice)
- Several existing initiatives but not coordinated : e.g. birth and under-5 death registration initiative , sample registration system (Min of Health, Ifakara)

- **Priority actions of accountability framework roadmap:**

- Comprehensive assessment of current situation, national plan to develop system, advocate for national investment



Monitoring of Results

Reliable and timely results to assess progress and performance

- **Situation:**

- There is a national monitoring and evaluation plan as part of the 5-year Health Sector Strategic Plan
- Good surveys, HMIS (facility and administrative data) not working well
- Capacity to produce synthesis (performance and statistical reports) needs strengthening in MoH, include other institutions such as Ifakara Health Institute, NIMR and NBS
- New facility /district reporting and feedback system (DHIS) rolling out, with support from Global Fund and DPG

- **Priority actions of accountability framework roadmap:**

- Support to roll out of DHIS
- Strengthen analytical and reporting capacity MoH and partners
- Improve data quality /credibility to inform annual reviews

Monitoring of results



National M&E Plan



M&E Coordination



Health Surveys



Facility data (HMIS)



Data sharing



Analytical capacity



Equity



MNCH indicators



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Maternal Death Surveillance & Response

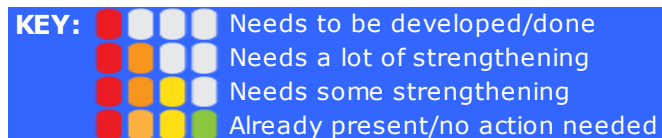
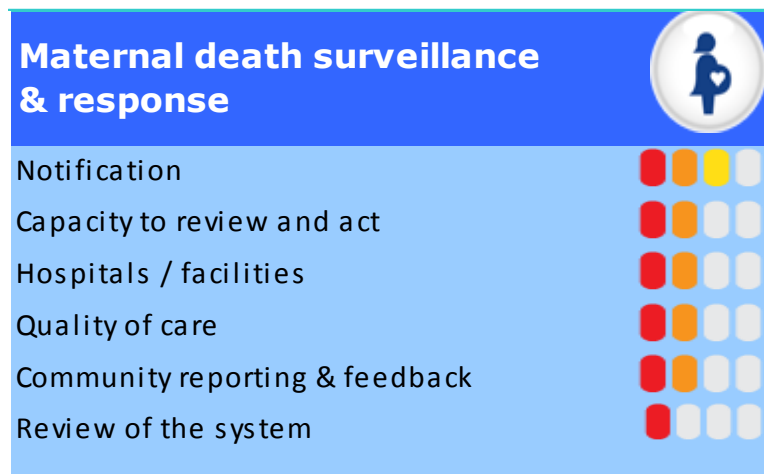
Reporting and reviewing every maternal death to guide actions to improve care

- **Situation:**

- Current system not working well; most maternal deaths not reported, not reviewed and no action
- Task Force is in place, as well as notification policy, but in practice not working well, at national and district levels
- Quality of maternity care not regularly assessed

- **Priority actions of accountability framework roadmap:**

- Develop national system of maternal death surveillance and response, with guidelines, functioning task force, district capacity
- Every maternal death in hospitals and community (using IT) should be reported and reviewed



eHealth & Innovation

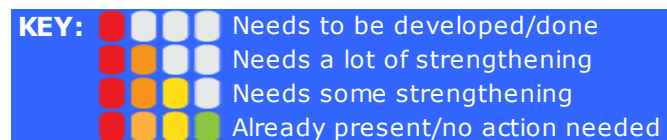
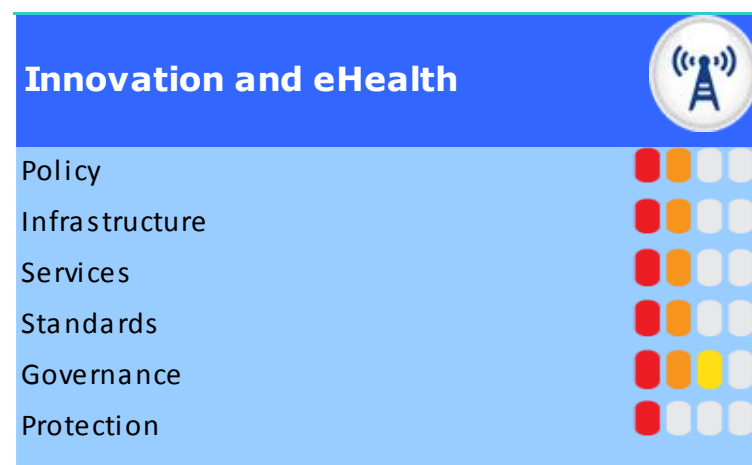
Using innovation and ICT for better accountability

- **Situation:**

- Increasing emphasis on the use of ICT in health (eHealth, mHealth)
- Many projects, often pilots, some national: fragmentation and duplication
- Many data systems cannot talk to each other
- Need for one national eHealth strategy, linked to national ICT strategy

- **Priority actions of accountability framework roadmap:**

- Finalize national eHealth strategy linked to overall ICT strategy
- Support to implementation of the strategy
- Specific examples: Support use of ICT for reporting of maternal deaths by hospitals, by communities; for improved financial reporting by districts
- Develop policy to protect data and citizens



Tracking Resources

*Transparent and accurate tracking of money,
with special attention for maternal and child health*

- **Situation:**
 - There is one National Health Account framework, last NHA was done in 2010
 - A code of conduct exists in SWAp, MoU for health basket, and JAST
 - Needs to become a more regular multi-sectoral process, with better use of the data for planning
- **Priority actions of accountability framework roadmap:**
 - Assessment of current system to track donor and partner resources
 - Create IT infrastructure and strengthen capacity for NHA production
 - Enhance its dissemination and use, including other sectors

Monitoring of resources



National health accounts



Compact and coordination



Production capacities



Data use



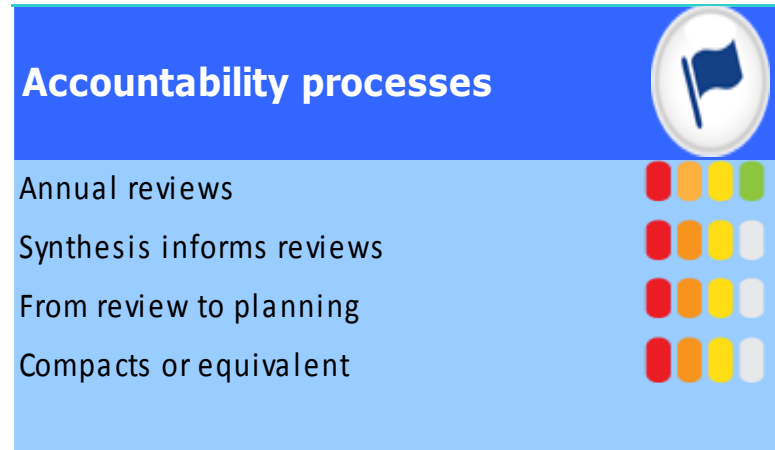
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Accountability processes (reviews)

A transparent and effective system of reviewing results and resources to assess progress towards goals and recommend action

- **Situation:**
 - Well established system of annual reviews based on SWAP
 - Involvement civil society and parliamentarians increasing over time
 - Quality inputs into the review (health sector performance review) is variable
 - Moving from review to action (operational planning) needs strengthening
- **Priority actions of accountability framework roadmap:**
 - Greater emphasis on use of review results in subnational and national annual planning processes
 - Strengthening of inputs into the review focusing on the measurement of progress towards the goals of the five year health sector strategic plan



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- Yellow: Needs some strengthening
- Green: Already present/no action needed
- White: (Implied) Needs no strengthening

Advocacy for reproductive, maternal, newborn and child health

Political commitment, active civil society and media to advocate for better health

• Situation:

- Highest level commitment to women's and children's health issues (President)
- Several parliamentary committees that address aspects of maternal and child health issues
- Civil society plays a role, but no strong coalition; many CSO are supported by external grants
- Media reports regularly on RMNCH, but quality needs improvement

• Priority actions of accountability framework roadmap:

- Establish subcommittee for RMNCH of Social Services Committee in parliament
- Strengthen the role of civil society organizations in RMNCH
- Regular training / meetings with media, including more effective documents to communicate results and issues in RMNCH

Advocacy & outreach



Parliament active in RMNCH



Active RMNCH civil society



RMNCH progress report/review



Media role



National Countdown meeting



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Conclusion

- Tanzania teams have put together assessment and roadmap to implement accountability framework for health with special attention for women's and children's health in February 2012 and April meetings
- Building on what is there is core principle: emphasis on bringing the multiple efforts and partners in Tanzania together, reduce fragmentation and duplication, to implement accountability framework
- Several areas are receiving good attention and have resources, e.g. results and resource tracking, but need to be strengthened; others need to be strengthened urgently, e.g. maternal death surveillance and civil registration & vital statistics system
- Catalytic funding from the global effort to implement the recommendations of the Commission (\$250k now, up to \$900k in 4 years)
- Monitor implementation of the accountability roadmap on regular basis; WHO in facilitation role
- Zanzibar has developed own assessment and roadmap as part of this process