

EXEMPLARS IN GLOBAL HEALTH

SIERRA LEONE



Project Status: In Progress

TOP-LINE FINDING

Sierra Leone has implemented a new community health worker (CHW) program. The Ministry of Health (MOH) is seeking actionable information about the implementation of the program that enables them to inform proposals for funding and management actions. EGH is supporting this work. This project will:

- » Establish a performance monitoring system to support the MOH to make rapid operational and programmatic improvements.
- » Provide technical assistance support to leverage insights from monitoring system.
- » Use research findings to inform decisionmaking about policy design, implementation, and/or resource allocation.

PARTNERS





Last Mile Health Focus 1000



PARTNERS

Helen Keller Institute

The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids)

Stunting

Project Status: In Progress

TOP-LINE FINDING

Sierra Leone has been identified as a positive outlier in stunting. This research will study drivers of stunting reduction in Sierra Leone and sub-national variation in progress over the last two decades.

- » Research questions will explore success factors and drivers of change at the national and state level, including trends and determinants that may also be linked to wasting along with co-occurrence of stunting and wasting.
- » Research will examine barriers to progress in stunting decline in Sierra Leone's opportunity states (i.e., states that have not reduced stunting to the extent that would be expected based on economic growth and other factors) and identify gaps in performance, investment, or prioritization.

Family Planning

Project Status: In Progress

TOP-LINE FINDING

Sierra Leone has been identified as an Exemplar in family planning. This research will look for drivers of change in family planning demand and voluntary modern contraceptive use.

- » Research explores impacts of contextual factors and supply- and demand-side policies and interventions on family planning progress, including on women's ability to make their own family planning choices. The role of contextual factors and health system elements in reducing age-specific fertility rates (ASFR) for ages 15 to 19.
- » Research also examines how Sierra Leone reached vulnerable groups to increase family planning equity.

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The Aga Khan University The Hospital for Sick Children (SickKids) Population Council

Center for Community and Public Health Improvement (CPHI)

ABOUT EXEMPLARS IN GLOBAL HEALTH

The Exemplars in Global Health (EGH) program is a global coalition of partners including researchers, academics, experts, funders, country stakeholders, and implementers. Our mission is to identify positive global health outliers, analyze what makes countries successful, and disseminate core lessons so they can be adapted in comparable settings. We aim to help country-level decision makers, global partners, and funders make strategic decisions, allocate resources, and craft evidence-based policies. A small, core team supporting EGH is based at Gates Ventures, the private office of Bill Gates, and closely collaborates with the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation.



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