

## TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR CONSULTANCY

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Hiring Office:	UNFPA Egypt Country Office
Purpose of consultancy:	Develop and roll out of governorate-level yearly community engagement plan that is youth-led and targets parents, religious leaders, service providers and other key stakeholders.
Scope of work:  <i>(Description of services, activities, or outputs)</i>	<p>Egypt is a young country that has a very special wide-based population pyramid. More than 60% of the Egyptian population is under the age of 29 and 40% is between the ages of 10 and 29 (census 2017). Egyptian youth have their special and diverse characteristics in terms of social, economic, cultural, educational, and health patterns. While they share many needs, they also live in a community, which is characterized by strong religious, social and cultural values that impact many aspects of health, especially sexual and reproductive health (SRH).</p> <p>There have been advancements in Egypt's overall environment for reproductive health (RH); however, it does not yet sufficiently address the needs of young people. Egypt's population policy addresses youth and adolescents through the provision of healthcare for girls prior to marriage and premarital exams and counselling. Yet, most RH services are only available to married couples, although RH services cover issues related to the whole life cycle. This why UNFPA Egypt is supporting the Ministry of Health and Population (MoHP) to set and endorse national standards for youth-friendly health services.</p> <p>Youth friendly clinics (YFCs) affiliated to the school-age directorate, Primary health Care (PHC) Sector, MoHP, provide information, counselling and clinical services aimed at promoting youth health and preventing health risky behaviours and problems, and referral to other health services, when necessary.</p> <p>However, the traffic on these services might not be sufficient due to many reasons such as cultural and social norms that restrict young people's access to the services or embarrassment to be seen in the clinic or they do not have information that such services exist.</p> <p>In this regard, community engagement has a vital role to play. Community engagement is central in public health and development programs as community engagement interventions are considered one of the high-impact practices tackling cultural and social norms in general, and in affecting youth health seeking behaviour, particularly the non-curative services.</p> <p>Within the context of the EU support to the National Population Strategy project, it is suggested to develop and roll out of governorate-level yearly community engagement plan that is youth-led and targets parents, religious leaders, service providers and other key stakeholders for creating more demand on YFC. It is suggested to recruit a national consultant to develop the general framework for the youth engagement plan that will be used to develop yearly plans at government level.</p>

	<p>In the execution of this assignment, the consultant shall undertake the following tasks, in close collaboration with the School Age Directorate, PHC sector at the MOHP:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Conduct a desk review of relevant documents and community engagement interventions both at the national and global level;</li> <li>○ Carry out a situational analysis of community engagement at governorate level and study of the existing community engagement models;</li> <li>○ Stakeholder mapping and study their influence/ role in the community engagement framework including; youth, parents, religious leaders, service providers and NGOs, and their effect on curative and non-curative RH seeking behaviour of young people, both married and unmarried;</li> <li>○ Development of the master community engagement plan/ framework that will guide the design, implementation, monitoring and evaluation, reporting and documenting of yearly community youth-led activities, using a participatory approach with concerned stakeholders.</li> <li>○ Endorsement of the community engagement plan/ framework by the PHC sector at MoHP.</li> </ul>
<p>Duration and working schedule:</p>	<p>20 November 2020 to 31 January 2021</p>
<p>Delivery dates and how work will be delivered (e.g. electronic, hard copy etc.):</p>	<p>The consultant will be responsible to deliver:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. An inception report, detailing implementation process of the assignment, timeline and deliverables, as well as outlining different stakeholders, and methodology of designing the plan/ framework;</li> <li>2. The master community engagement plan/ framework, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Main objectives and goals of the plan;</li> <li>- Description of different community engagement strategies and models building on the existing models targeting different stakeholders such as parents, religious leaders and service providers;</li> <li>- A monitoring and evaluation framework and indicators for community engagement.</li> </ul> </li> <li>3. A final report of the assignment documenting the process of developing the plan, including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The desk review of the relevant documents;</li> <li>- The situational analysis of the current community engagement modes/ approaches;</li> <li>- Meetings with stakeholders such as youth, parents and religious leaders;</li> <li>- A communication plan to introduce and promote the plan to the stakeholders and IPs.</li> <li>- Mechanisms for rolling out of the youth-led yearly engagement plan at the governorate level.</li> </ul> </li> </ol> <p>The master community engagement plan should be submitted in both Arabic and English, while the inception and final reports should be submitted in English.</p>

Monitoring and progress control, including reporting requirements, periodicity format and deadline:	The expert is requested to provide the following: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1- By 15 December 2020, as a first instalment, 40% of the total remuneration will be provided upon receipt of the inception report, and stakeholders mapping.</li> <li>2- By 31 January 2021, as a second and final instalment, 60% of the total remuneration will be provided upon receipt of the master community engagement plan in English and Arabic, as well as the final report.</li> </ol>
Supervisory arrangements:	Reproductive Health Program Specialist, UNFPA-Egypt in close coordination with the School Age Directorate, PHC sector, MOHP.
Expected travel:	N/A
Required expertise, qualifications and competencies, including language requirements:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Ten years of professional experience in research, planning and management, track record of community development, leadership and youth empowerment;</li> <li>2. Demonstrated experience in working on community inclusion with NGOs, religious leaders, youth networks, governmental partners and other stakeholders in public sector development programs especially in the area of community engagement.</li> <li>3. Good level of communications and reporting skills in Arabic and English.</li> </ol>
Inputs / services to be provided by UNFPA or implementing partner (e.g support services, office space, equipment), if applicable:	UNFPA will assist in introducing the consultant to the MoHP, coordination as well as providing relevant available information requested by the consultant.
Other relevant information or special conditions, if any:	N/A
Signature of Requesting Officer in Hiring Office: <i>Hany Kamal</i> Date: <i>02-11-2020</i>	