

**Accountability
Framework for
RMNCAH -
NEAPACOH
Commitments**



Annually, through the NEAPACOH forum, members of parliament pass important commitments that have an impact on the health of our continent, regions and countries. But...




Challenges

- Accountability mechanism
- Frequent turn-over of MPs and clerks
- Dissemination of commitments
- Feedback from countries

How do we track the
progress made at regional
and national level?





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Innovating for Maternal and Child Health in Africa

A seven-year initiative that is supporting implementation research in maternal and child health in 11 countries in the continent.

Accountability

Enables transparent recognition and tracking of
voluntary commitments and facilitates feedback and
learning

Guiding principles



Alignment with global, regional and country RMNCAH priorities



Clear roles and responsibilities of all actors



Enabling environment for all actors to play their role



A results-oriented focus in implementation, monitoring, and reporting



Transparent reporting and sharing of information

Five components

REPRODUCTIVE MATERNAL, NEWBORN, CHILD AND ADOLESCENT HEALTH



ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK

OBJECTIVE

THIS FRAMEWORK AIMS TO IMPROVE ACCOUNTABILITY FOR RMNCAH COMMITMENTS
MADE BY THE MEMBER STATES IN THE AFRICAN REGION

THE ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK



RESEARCH

USING EVIDENCE TO INFORM POLICY AND INTERVENTIONS



PERFORMANCE ACCOUNTABILITY

FOCUS ON SERVICES, OUTPUTS AND RESULTS
OF GOVERNMENTS AND AGENCIES



SOCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

HOLDING POLITICIANS, POLICYMAKERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS
RESPONSIBLE FOR THEIR PERFORMANCE



FINANCIAL ACCOUNTABILITY

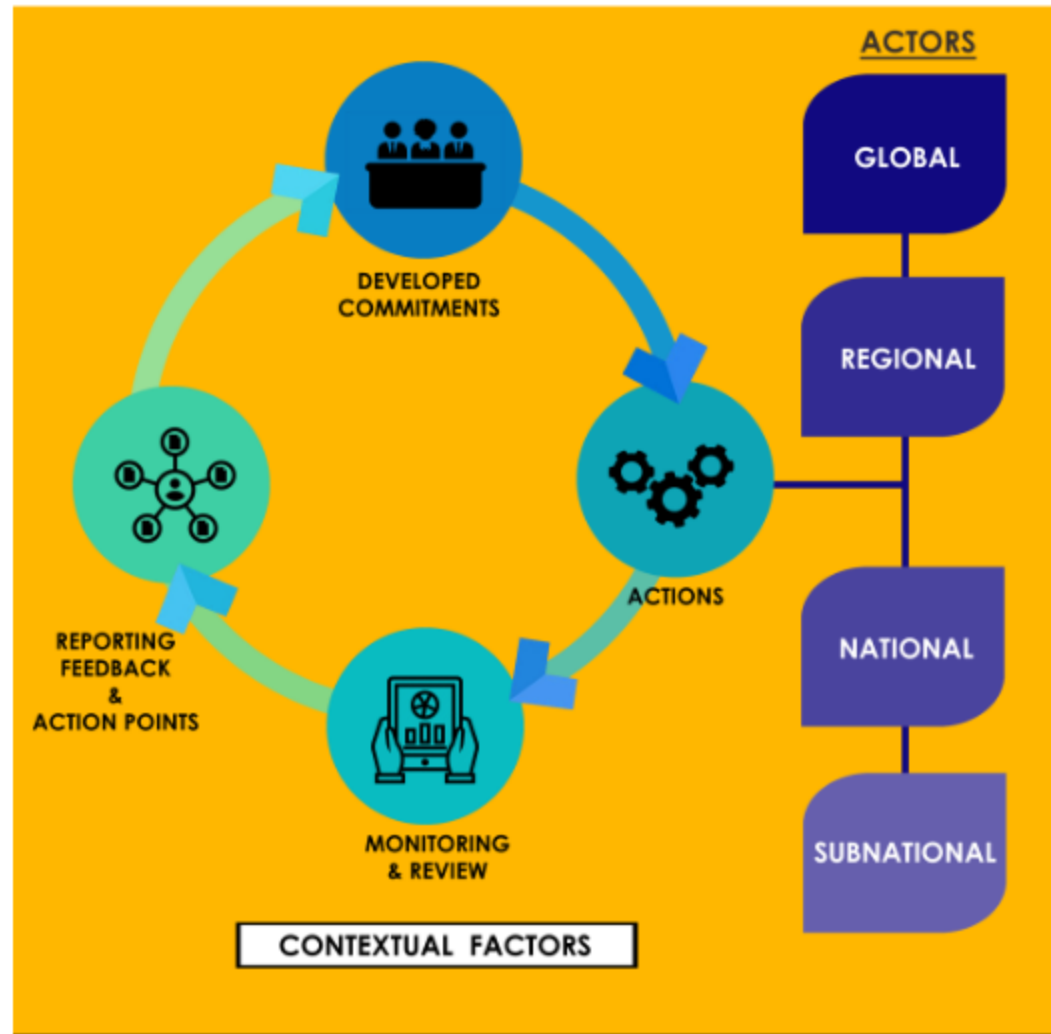
TRACKING AND REPORTING ON ALLOCATION, DISBURSEMENT
AND UTILIZATION OF FINANCES



POLITICAL ACCOUNTABILITY

FOCUSES ON INSTITUTIONS, PROCEDURES THAT REPRESENT
CITIZENS INTERESTS AND RESPONDS TO SOCIETAL NEEDS

ACCOUNTABILITY FRAMEWORK



ENHANCED ACCOUNTABILITY CAN ENSURE THAT INVESTMENTS IN RMNCAH PROGRAMS AND SERVICES LEAD TO BETTER HEALTH OUTCOMES

Reporting Template

Table 1: Annual Monitoring data collection tool

Meeting Date	Commitments Made (List commitments for the previous year)	Actions taken	Fully Implemented	Partially Implemented	Not Implemented	Comments (May include reasons for failure to implement and challenges faced)

Annual reporting and periodic review (5 years)

What can you do?

- Make clear and achievable commitments
- Ensure implementation and consistent reporting of progress during the regional forum - NEAPACOH
- Involve other health committee members and key stakeholders at country levels
- Institutionalize commitments in country parliaments so that their implementation is not affected by turn- overs both by MPs and parliament staffs.



**Thank
You**