

Accelerating Progress for Family Planning 2020 Commitments in **INDONESIA**

Engaging the Private Sector to Increase Access
to Youth-friendly Family Planning Services



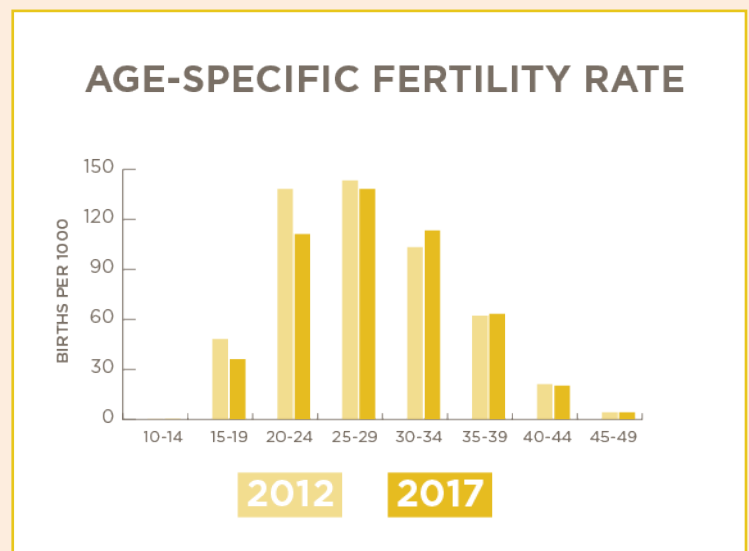
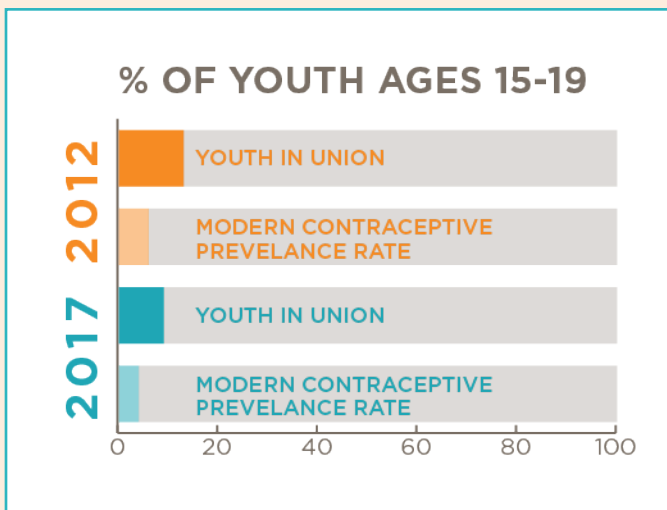
THE ISSUE

Through the Family Planning 2020 (FP2020) partnership, the government of Indonesia has committed to **empowering young people by implementing cross-sector, integrated and comprehensive policies and strategies on providing reproductive health (RH) information, education, communication and counseling through youth-friendly health care services in community- and school-based programs**, which is in alignment with Indonesia's National Medium Term Development Plan (RPJMN).

According to national law, the government is not permitted to provide contraceptives to adolescents. **Thus, government-sponsored family planning (FP) programming targeting adolescents in Indonesia focuses solely on education and outreach—resulting in a gap in service provision.** Civil society organizations (CSOs), nongovernmental organizations (NGOs) and the private sector can be leveraged for bridging the service gap. Collaboration between the public and private sector can be crucial in ensuring that adolescents can access high-quality, comprehensive FP services inclusive of contraceptives.

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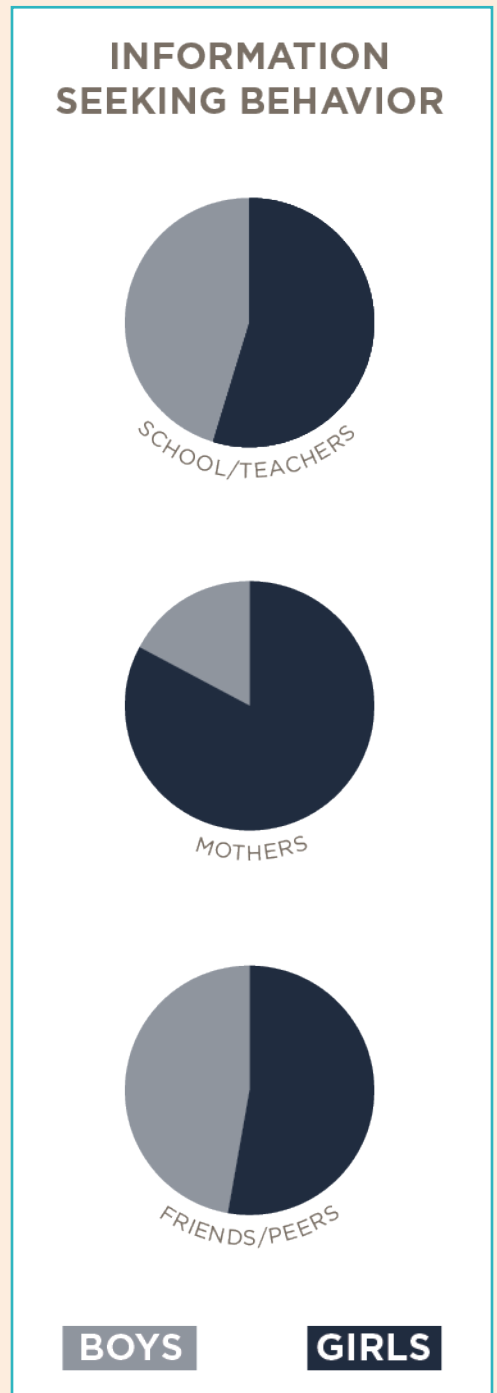
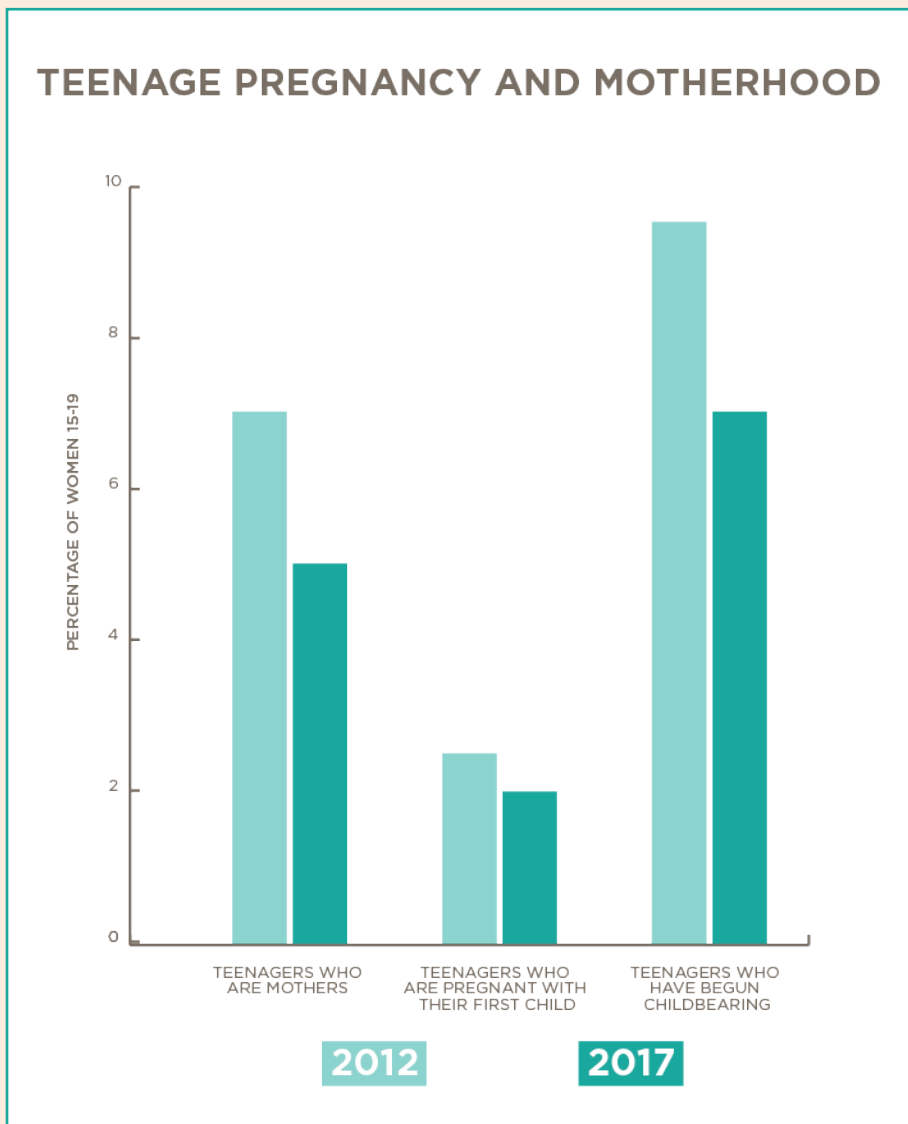
As pregnancy and childbirth under the age of 19 can increase the risk of maternal and infant mortality, there is an urgent need to provide comprehensive RH information and education, so that young people are capable of planning and making informed decisions about their future family.



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Consistent with the knowledge that young people prefer to speak with their peers, Indonesian government has included components of support from peers, schools, teachers, health providers and parents in their youth programs.

These programs are known as Counseling and Information Centre for Youth (PIK-R) by the National Population and Family Planning Board (BKKBN); and Adolescent Friendly Health Services (PKPR) by the Ministry of Health.



*Data source: Demographic Health Survey (DHS) 2012 and 2017

CURRENT PROGRESS

BKKBN's program for youth is Generasi Berencana (Planned Generation, GENRE). This program is implemented at PIK-Rs and has three facets focused on the prevention of:

1. Early marriage by prioritizing school and career;
2. Premarital sex; and
3. Abuse of narcotics, psychotropics and other addictive substances.

PIK-Rs are fully managed by their youth members, with some technical guidance and assistance provided by national BKKBN in coordination with provincial BKKBN and district-level FP offices. PIK-Rs are implemented through existing youth communities, including religious and youth organizations, as well as schools and universities. PIK-Rs can also be found online through a mobile application platform. To date, a total of 25,394 PIK-Rs have been established nationally and the program can be found in every district.

The Ministry of Health implemented PKPR at public primary health care facilities (Puskesmas). The program aims to ensure that school-aged children and adolescents have easy access to youth-friendly social and behavioral change communication, and counseling. In addition to providing information, the program serves as the referral system for RH issues in the public sector. Health workers in Puskesmas manage PKPR with support from youth counselors (konselor sebaya). As of December 2018, a total of 6,204 (62.08%) of Puskesmas are implementing PKPR.

Private sector and nongovernmental organizations—such as the United Nations Population Fund, the Embassy of Canada, Rutgers World Population Fund Indonesia, John Hopkins Center for Communication Programs (JHCCP) and Perkumpulan Keluarga Berencana Indonesia (Indonesian Family Planning Association)—are working to complement the government's efforts by providing youth-friendly FP services. This support includes developing information and education materials for youth, modules for schools and health facilities, as well as web-based and mobile apps for RH information. More importantly, a number of these organizations provide FP counseling and services, including contraceptives and abortion services.

Several working groups, including JHCCP's Technical Working Group and the FP2020 Indonesia Secretariat's Youth Working Group, have been established to engage youth and work in collaboration with them to establish public-private partnerships to provide youth-friendly FP services.

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OPPORTUNITIES FOR ACCELERATING PROGRESS

STRONGER LINKAGES BETWEEN HEALTH FACILITIES AND THE SCHOOL - AND COMMUNITY-BASED COMPONENTS OF THE PIK-R AND PKPR PROGRAMS

Both PIK-R and PKPR programs consist of packages that complement each other: health facilities-, schools- and community-based packages. Strengthening the collaboration between these two programs will result in greater access to youth-friendly services. The government can ensure all youth can access either or both programs by harmonizing their efforts and implementation zones. In addition, as the PIK-R and PKPR work on the communities and subdistrict level of health facilities, it is important to engage and collaborate with the local CSOs in the region to better enhance the program context, supported by their specific areas of expertise.

GREATER COORDINATION OF THE INITIATIVES IMPLEMENTED BY THE GOVERNMENT AND PRIVATE SECTOR

The government of Indonesia should capitalize on the support from the private sector in providing resources to youth-friendly RH information, education, communication and services by taking the lead in establishing stronger public-private partnership networks and systems, including strategically mapping out the contributions from each sector so the efforts are effectively distributed and balanced.

ESTABLISH A FORMAL REFERRAL SYSTEM TO THE PRIVATE SECTOR FOR YOUTH-FRIENDLY SERVICES

Given the restrictions that the government faces in providing FP services to youth, there is a need to build a referral system as part of the public-private partnership so that young people have optimal access to services that meet their needs.

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