

# SCORECARD INDICATORS OVERVIEW

The following table summarizes the definitions and categorizations of the eight scorecard indicators, with details provided below.

POLICY INDICATOR	Strong policy environment	Promising policy environment but room for improvement	Policy environment impedes youth from accessing and using contraception	Policy addressing the indicator does not exist
<b>Parental and Spousal Consent</b>	Law or policy exists that supports youth access to FP services without consent from both third parties (parents and spouses).	Law or policy exists that supports youth access to FP services without consent from one but not both third parties.	Law or policy exists that requires parental and/or spousal consent for youth access to FP services.	No law or policy exists that addresses consent from a third party to access FP services.
<b>Provider Authorization</b>	Law or policy exists that requires providers to authorize medically-advised youth FP services without personal bias or discrimination.	Law or policy exists that requires providers to authorize medically-advised youth FP services but does not address personal bias or discrimination.	Law or policy exists that supports providers' non-medical discretion to authorize youth FP services.	No law or policy exists that addresses provider authorization.
<b>Restrictions Based on Age</b>	Law or policy exists that supports youth access to FP services regardless of age.	N/A	Law or policy exists that restricts youth access to FP services based on age.	No law or policy exists addressing age in access to FP services.
<b>Restrictions Based on Marital Status</b>	Law or policy exists that supports youth access to FP services regardless of marital status.	Law or policy exists that supports access to FP services for unmarried women, but includes language favoring the rights of married couples to FP.	Law or policy exists that restricts youth access to FP services based on marital status.	No law or policy exists addressing marital status in access to FP services.
<b>Access to a Full Range of FP Methods</b>	Law or policy exists that supports youth access to FP services, including the provision of long-acting and reversible contraceptives (LARCs).	Law or policy exists that supports youth access to a full range of FP methods without defining full range of methods to include LARC methods.	Law or policy exists that restricts youth from accessing a full range of FP services based on age, marital status, and/or parity.	No law or policy exists addressing youth access to a full range of methods.
<b>Comprehensive Sexuality Education</b>	Policy supports the provision of sexuality education AND mentions all nine UNFPA essential components of CSE.	Policy supports provision of sexuality education without referencing all nine of the UNFPA essential components of CSE.	Policy promotes abstinence-only education or discourages sexuality education.	No policy exists supporting sexuality education of any kind.

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<b>Youth-Friendly FP Service Provision</b>	<p>Policy mentions three service-delivery elements of the High-Impact Practices in Family Planning (HIPs) recommendations for adolescent-friendly contraceptive services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provider training.</li> <li>• Confidentiality and privacy.</li> <li>• Free or reduced cost.</li> </ul>	<p>Policy references targeting youth in provision of FP services but mentions fewer than three of the service-delivery elements of the HIPs recommendations for adolescent-friendly contraceptive services.</p>	N/A	<p>No policy exists targeting youth in the provision of FP services.</p>
<b>Enabling Social Environment</b>	<p>Policy outlines detailed strategy addressing two enabling social-environment elements of the HIPs recommendations for adolescent-friendly contraceptive services.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Address gender norms.</li> <li>• Build community support.</li> </ul>	<p>Policy references building an enabling social environment but does not include specific intervention activities addressing both HIPs-recommended elements.</p> <p>Policy outlines detailed strategy addressing one of the two enabling social environment elements of the HIPs recommendations for adolescent-friendly contraceptive services.</p>	N/A	<p>No policy exists to build an enabling social environment for youth FP services.</p>