



# Global Task Force for Coordination of Care across Birth Settings during COVID-19 pandemic

## Subcommittee Descriptions

The **Strategic Policy & Acceptability** subcommittee will synthesize frameworks for the design, oversight, regulation, and accountability of the practice models and Document Repository arising out of the Global Task Force. Taking into account varied resource settings, this group will develop algorithms and policy documents to facilitate integration into government and health systems.

*Specifically, this Committee will describe the overall goals for:*

- Integration of available providers and settings
- Organization of settings
- Mobilization of supply chain
- Mobilization of workforce
- Training of workforce

The **Communications** subcommittee will both streamline dialogue amongst subcommittees of the Global Task Force and coordinate outreach and dissemination of outcomes to external audiences and partners. This group will develop means for widespread dissemination of best-practice documentation, acquire funding and resources for long-term sustainability, and promote global uptake of strategic policies arising out of the Task Force.

*Specifically, this committee will address:*

- Types of communication – i.e. website, social media
- Funding sources
- Influencers to uptake of sustainable best practice

The **Operations & Logistics** subcommittee will identify existing models, standard operating procedures, and best practice guidelines that can inform the reallocation of health care resources and triage of patients to community birth settings, or mobilization of rapid response maternity units in available facilities. This group will also identify any gaps in SOPs or templates that are needed to effect reallocation.

The **Clinical Workforce and Recruitment** subcommittee will focus addressing gaps in workforce needs by looking at how to best upskill pre-existing workforces along with how to effectively recruit and re-integrate retired workforce.

*Specifically, this committee will describe the overall goals for:*

- Identifying gaps in workforces
- Workforce mobilization and retention
- Financing
- Organization
- Task-shifting/task-sharing
- Regulatory processes (if required by cadre)
- Workflow for scheduling and assigning staff
- Utilization of digital care
- Templates for emergency temporary registration of retired workers or expedited certification.

The **Training and Support** subcommittee will focus on how countries can design and deliver training programs so that they facilitate cross training/task- shifting and mobilization of rapid response workforce with integration across service delivery settings.

*Specifically, this committee will describe the overall goals for:*

- Supervision and management of training.
- How to effectively re-train retired workforce that is re-entering.
- How to effectively identify who can be quickly trained to expand their scope as a provider, and how this training could be delivered.

The **Community Health Linkages** subcommittee will focus on how countries can best support childbearing families through identifying and gathering relevant community support networks.

*Specifically, this committee will describe the overall goals for:*

- Organization of the provider network in order to provide continuity of care
- Identify which community supports are most needed
- Identify where and how community supports could be provided
- Efficient referral and delivery systems

The **Legal Advocacy & Human Rights** subcommittee will be focused on how to monitor, document, and identify systems that promote accountability for human rights violations and apply to all health system actors. This group will identify and make recommendations for adaptation of key guidelines, documents, and templates that will inform the standards for application of a human rights approach framework for all settings across the birth/SRH continuum.

The **Research & Evaluation** subcommittee will be tasked with synthesizing, analyzing, and disseminating the information developed by the Global Task Force. They will be responsible for orchestrating pilot testing and evaluating the implementation of new innovations put forth by the other subcommittees. This subcommittee could also envision new research opportunities from the topics that are generated from the Global Taskforce.