Support to Phase I and II implementation of “ALL IN” in the Philippines

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BACKGROUND

- Extremely decentralized health system
  - 18 regions
  - 81 provinces
  - 33 highly urbanized cities
  - 1500 districts

- 7100 islands

- Ongoing armed conflict in the Southern part of the country (Muslim Mindanao)

- Typhoons/earthquakes

- Rapid urbanization
Philippines is among those countries with the highest economic growth in South East Asia

Increasing government funds available

Economic growth triggers increased inequities at all levels

The Philippines is at an important stage in terms of its political economy → MAJOR OPPORTUNITY

- The Philippines increasingly requires a mix of technical and policy-oriented support from partners such as UNICEF
The growth of the HIV epidemic is alarming. *Every day* of 2015, 22 people were diagnosed with HIV, compared with only 1 in 2008. Source: HARP Dec 2015

One of the few countries in the world with an expanding HIV epidemic.
BACKGROUND

• Prevalence - general population < 1%
• Prevalence among key populations
  – 10% for men who have sex with men and freelance female sex workers
  – 52% among injecting drug users
• Adolescents:
  – > 50% of new infections occur among 25-34 year old
  – 28% among 15-24 years
  – DATA GAP: 10-14 years
WHY “ALL IN” IN THE PHILIPPINES?

• It is time for us to take action in the Philippines
• Started engagement in Oct 2015
• ALL IN is about bringing everyone together to stop adolescent deaths, infectious and violence cause by AIDS

• MoH (DOH) and local government, UNAIDS, Save the Children, other UN partners, civil society, youth organizations, adolescent key affected population, (UNICEF CO ↔ RO)
ACTION IN THE PHILIPPINES FOR PHASE 1

• Support initial data gathering
  – Create data for national and subnational evidence-based planning
  – “Integrated HIV behavioral and serological surveillance” (frequency: every two years)
  – Use data for advocacy with national and subnational stakeholders
  – Focus on 2 cities for now
ACTION IN THE PHILIPPINES FOR PHASE 2

• Based on data collection....
  – Support MoH (DOH) in *analyzing* age and gender-responsive data
  – Provide technical assistance to *develop/plan for local strategies*
  – Ensure meaningful *adolescent and youth participation*
    • Include adolescent/young key populations *at all levels of discussion*
“ALL IN” Global ↔ National - Subnational context in the Philippines

• Philippines has **followed the global process** of “ALL IN”
• BUT we adapted global processes to…
  – the context of the Philippines and
  – the need of subnational government (cities)
NEXT STEPS (Phase 3)

- Corrective actions to address bottlenecks, data gaps
- Support implementation of the strategic plan as much as possible through partners (locally)
- Capacity building and demand generation
- Advocacy