3.1 EWEC Partners' Framework for 2018–2020

Accelerated progress, more commitments, better aligned action across sectors and among all partners engaged in implementing the EWEC Global Strategy, and stronger mutual accountability mechanisms are all needed. In response to these needs, partners developed the 2020 EWEC Partners' Framework, which includes six focus areas: early childhood development; adolescent health and well-being; quality, equity and dignity in services; sexual and reproductive health and rights; empowerment of women, girls and communities; and humanitarian and fragile settings. The Framework includes: five critical enablers ("common deliverables"); political commitment; integrative, sustainable financing; multistakeholder and cross-sectoral partnership; improved management systems and capacities; and strengthened data and information systems and accountability at all levels. This framework was endorsed unanimously by the High-Level Steering Group during their April 2017 meeting. Both the focus areas and the common deliverables will have measurable milestones and will be monitored through the Unified Accountability Framework, and published in this report annually.

This Framework does not add any additional reporting burden for countries; rather, it defines what EWEC partners need to monitor between and among themselves to ensure mutual accountability. The EWEC *Global Strategy*'s 60 indicators are part of monitoring mechanisms that already exist. The Framework sets out what action each EWEC core partner will take in relation to the focus areas and the enablers. By mapping where, how and by when partners can make greater gains, and how those gains can be measured, the Framework will enable future EWEC *Global Strategy* progress reports to show where action is occurring, and where it is lacking. This will improve coherence among partners, enhance impact and encourage greater mutual accountability.