



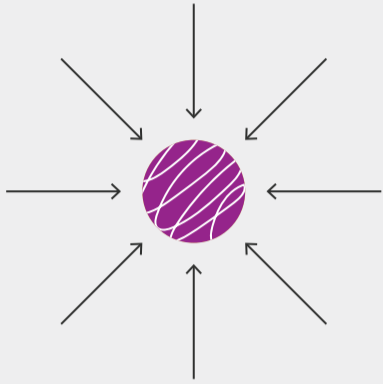

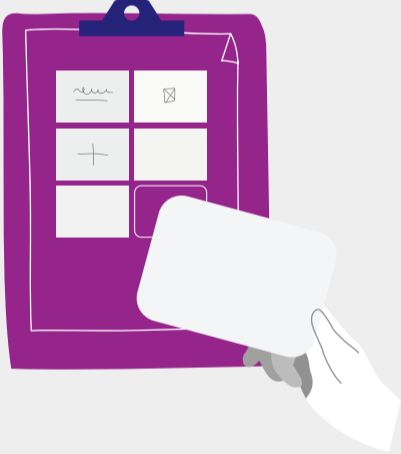

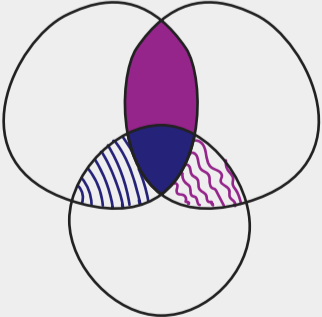
## Convergence of Services Series-version 2.0



Why use this high impact approach?

# Facilitating Integration of Services at the City Level Among All Relevant Departments

Convergence ensures that all relevant departments through coordination, facilitate integration of Family Planning (FP) and other Maternal, New Born and Child Health (MNCH) services at the city level. It is important to assist frontline workers of each department to understand that their overlapping responsibilities provide many opportunities for joint activities and mutual support.

	<p><b>STEP 1</b></p> <p><b>Formation and Activation of the City Health Coordination Committee (CCC)</b></p> <p>Form a CCC among urban health stakeholders (e.g., departments of Health, ICDS, Livelihood, Education and Municipal Corporation/Urban Local Bodies as well as FOGSI, private providers, IMA and development partners) and organize regular CCC meetings to facilitate collective work of departments to increase the demand and utilization of health services.</p>
	<p><b>STEP 2</b></p> <p><b>Orientation of community health workers on FP</b></p> <p>Orient all community level workers through basic training on FP and gender inclusion, including AWWs and DUDA workers. Ensure that the benefits of FP for the health of women and children and their families are well understood by the trained AWWs and other community workers.</p>
	<p><b>STEP 3</b></p> <p><b>Provide a combination of integrated FP and MNCH services</b></p> <p>Collaborate with AWWs to help in counseling pregnant women for FP when they visit the AWC for check-ups and supplementary nutrition and ASHAs should advise pregnant women to take supplementary nutrition from the AWC.</p>
	<p><b>STEP 4</b></p> <p><b>Support in formation of Mahila Arogya Samiti (MAS)</b></p> <p>Encourage other frontline workers to participate in strengthening existing women's groups to form MAS through their membership and leadership roles. With their experience and presence in the community, DUDA link workers and AWWs can help ASHAs to form MAS where there are no women's groups.</p>
	<p><b>STEP 5</b></p> <p><b>Utilize Group meetings</b></p> <p>Encourage frontline workers to conduct joint meetings with MAS and use MAS as a platform to provide couple with FP and maternal health information and mobilize them to demand these services. AWWs during routine UHND sessions give information on FP and other mothers' group meetings on nutrition at the AWC.</p>