

CTWWC Care System Assessment Framework



Module 5: Verifying, Analyzing and Using Assessment Findings



Session Contents

- Verifying assessment results
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This session should take 1 hour.



Session purpose

By the end of this session, participants should:

- ready to analyze results and use findings to inform the national care strategy





Verifying assessment results



Verifying Assessment Results

Consider verification at two points in the assessment:

- 1. Pre-analysis:** during the assessment workshop, take note of any unresolved issues, questions that were uncertain, topics that participants did not seem to know well. For these areas, consider reviewing supporting evidence and/or discussing with the Core Team and other experts to reach consensus.
- 2. Post-analysis** (see analysis slides later): consider presenting key findings to specific audiences for their validation and buy-in; consider any approvals that will be required for the final report.



Analyzing and interpreting assessment results



Considerations for analyzing results

- Analysis will be 100% qualitative
- Do not list each question, but rather generalize and summarize.
- **For example:**
 - Overall, there is a strong legal and policy framework that exists for foster care, however the issues of specialized disability services for children with special needs is not addressed in the national foster care guidelines.

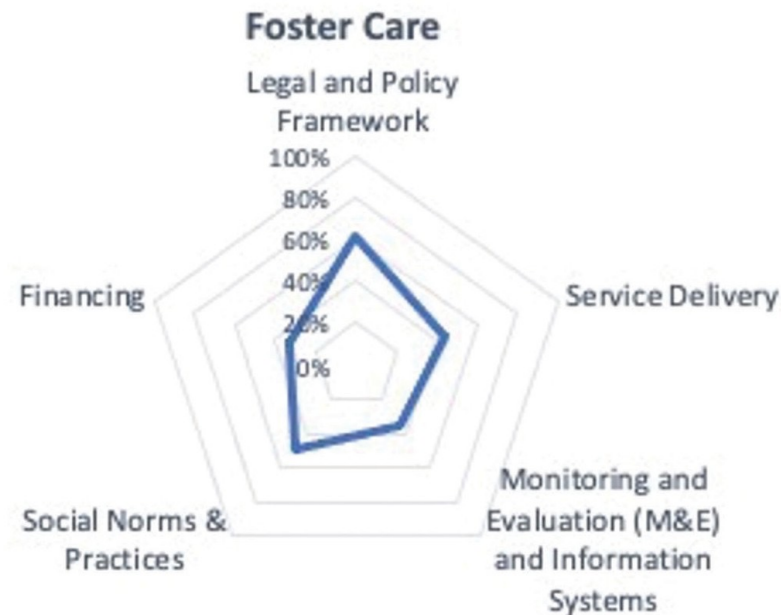
4 suggested steps for analysis

1. Within each tab, review the responses, notes and dashboard for each section.
 - For example, within the Foster Care tab, review responses, notes and dashboard to analyze Leadership & Governance.
2. Analyze results for each section of each tab based on the following:

Response type	Summarize
“ Completely ”, “ Yes ”	What exists/has been done? What are the strengths?
“ Mostly ”, “ Slightly ”	What has progress been made in, but more work is needed?
“ Not at all ”, “ No ”	What does not exist/is weak?

4 suggested steps for analysis

3. Review graphs in dashboards to make comparisons about each area of care.



Interpretation Example

This graph about foster care shows that progress is needed in all system areas. While there are some elements of the legal and policy framework established for foster care, there is still need to continue refining it. Specific details about how it should be refined should be elaborated through reviewing the specific questions in the assessment framework. There is little to no work on financial provisions nor monitoring and evaluating for foster care.

4 suggested steps for analysis

4. Summarize results using a matrix, such as:

Leadership & Governance

	Laws and policies		Regulatory mechanism		Other
	Description of what exists	Description of gaps	Description of what exists	Description of gaps	
Foster care	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Foster care is provided for in law There is a national policy that addresses foster care 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Some, but not all of government and non-governmental actors involved in foster care have been trained on the national strategy The national policy is mostly aligned with the UN Guidelines, but does not address support for carers nor children before placement, nor specialized services for children with disabilities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> There is a regulatory framework to authorize and register foster carers There are official bodies responsible for ensuring foster care compliance. 	The regulatory bodies address complaints received and special cases, but to not do inspections.	

An analysis template is included in the care system assessment guidance document

Considerations for analyzing results

- Aim to primarily analyze by prevention and area of care (family reunification, kinship care, foster care, etc.) and then summarize for each system component (leadership and governance, service delivery).
- See illustrative report outline for how results should be presented based on analysis.

A report outline is included as an Annex in the care system assessment guidance document.





Disseminating and using results



Considerations for dissemination



Who are the audiences you need to reach?



What format will reach them most effectively (e.g. presentation, short brief, full report)?



How will you reach the key audiences (e.g. presentation, meeting, email, newsletter, conference, etc.)?





Considerations for using results for national strategic planning...

- Will the national strategy include a system strengthening approach that these results and recommendations could inform?
- What are the key strengths identified through the assessment that the national strategy should expand/leverage?
- What are the key weaknesses identified through the assessment that the national strategy should prioritize?
 - At the national level? At sub-national levels?
 - Within the lead Ministry? Across other sectors?
 - What are evidence-based approaches that address these weaknesses?
 - What is feasible given the time and anticipated resources to implement the national strategy?

Considerations for using results to monitor and evaluate progress

- After the assessment workshop, compile one master Excel document, with all responses in one document. This will be useful to document and compare results over time.
- Consider including system indicators to monitor progress in the national strategy/action plan.
- Within the strategy/action plan, advocate for clear, measurable system strengthening activities.



Q&A and Discussion

