

# **Improving Technical Assistance with a focus on Evidence Based Practices**

**Kampala Uganda**

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**Albert Hall**

**2:00-3:30pm**

# Welcome!

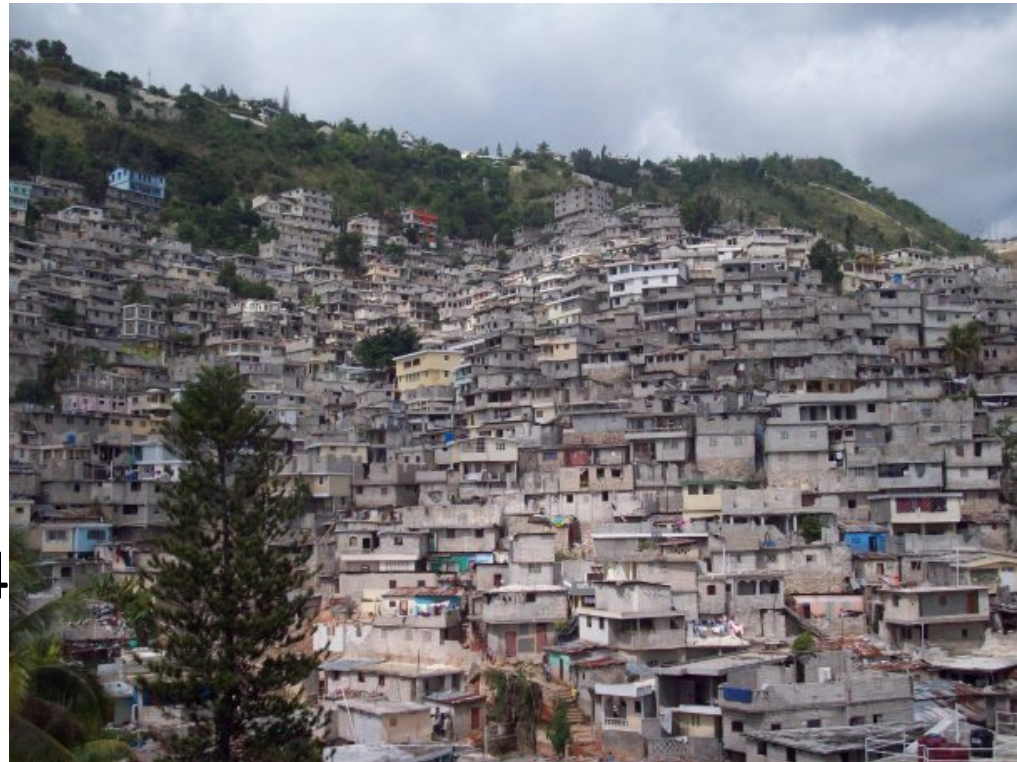
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# Background

- Office of Population and Reproductive Health Strategy to provide Technical Assistance
- Focus on evidence based practices
- USAID/Washington Country Teams
- Technical assistance is effective when it is timely and when it is consistent

# Country Example—Haiti

- MCH/FP Assessment in 2008/9
- MMR: 630/100,000
- Modern CPR: 25%
- Unmet need 38%
- Total Pop: ~8,924,553
- Population Density: 254 psk



# Some FP Findings

- CBD of FP was limited
- Severe stockouts
- Lack of leadership and political commitment
- Limited services to youth
- Limited access to long term and permanent methods
- Pregnancy checklists being re-introduced
- Working on changing policy to allow CBD DMPA
- Plans to conduct and launch an updated RAPID
- Leadership and Management training

# Small Group Exercise

1. What are the needs in family planning technical assistance from Washington/HQ to the field?
2. What are some evidence based practices that will help move the family planning agenda forward in your country?
3. What are the challenges to requesting TA from Washington?
4. What recommendations do you have for Washington to better support the needs of Country Missions?
5. What other models would help ensure the adoption of evidence based practices in country programs?