

Title: *Addressing Reproductive Coercion: Learnings from Adaptation and Scale-up of ARCHES across the Globe*

Location: Paradisus Cancún, Room Menorca

When: 21 September 2022, 7:30 AM to 9:00 AM

Registration Link: www.bit.ly/ARCHESSVRI_BreakfastEvent

Description of your event:

Reproductive Coercion refers to behaviors, usually by male partners and family members, designed to interfere with women's and girls' decisions on contraceptives and pregnancy and is closely associated with intimate partner violence and poor reproductive health outcomes.

This event, hosted by the University of California, San Diego's (UCSD) Center on Gender Equity and Health (GEH), the USAID-funded *Agency for All* project, Mexfam, and the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF), aims to reflect and collaborate on strategies to address reproductive coercion around the world, featuring lessons learned adapting and scaling one evidence-based approach to address coercion and violence, ARCHES (Addressing Reproductive Coercion in Health Settings), across multiple country contexts. We will open with a brief overview of reproductive coercion, its intersections with intimate partner violence and reproductive health, and review strategies and evidence behind the ARCHES intervention. Afterwards, there will be a panel discussion, moderated by Afeefa Abdur-Rahman, Senior Gender Officer at USAID, featuring international experts, including representatives from Mexico (Mexfam – clinic and community-based family planning services), Bangladesh (Ipas – public family planning and abortion clinical services in urban Bangladesh and refugee camps), Nigeria (Jhpiego – public family planning and violence clinical services), and Kenya (Population Council – public family planning clinical services), who will share their experiences and lessons learned adapting, implementing and scaling ARCHES in their various contexts. Based on learnings from the panel and from participants, the session will conclude with collective identification of the action steps required at this time to expand and advance the practice of addressing reproductive coercion globally. Spanish interpretation will be available. Breakfast and coffee will be served.